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Relevant facts emerging from the Appeal:

Appellant	:	Omkar Nath
		9-Gandhi Nagar,
		PO – Naini,
		Allahabad - 211008
Respondent	:	Director & CPIO
		Ordnance Factory Board
		10- A S.K Bose Road,
		Kolkata - 70001
RTI application filed on	:	26/06/2013
PIO replied on	:	17/09/2013
First appeal filed on	:	10/08/2013
First Appellate Authority order	:	20/09/2013
Second Appeal dated	:	05/12/2013

Information Commissioner : Shri Divya Prakash Sinha

Information sought:

Appellant sought information to provide the copy of Takeover Model of Hindustan Cables Limited and letter of OFB ID No.MOD/BS/2011/Vol.I/157 dated 22/05/2012 mentioned in minutes of meeting dated 18/04/2013.

Grounds for the Second Appeal:

The CPIO has not provided the desired information.

Relevant Facts emerging during Hearing:

The following were present:- **Appellant:** Not present.

Respondent: S.K. De, Director & CPIO, Ordnance Factory Board, Kolkata present on phone.

CPIO submitted that the letter which the appellant is asking is regarding merger of Hindustan Cables Ltd (HCL) into Ordnance Factory Board (OFB), Kolkata. It is also linked to the service of around 1800 employees of HCL who came on the rolls of OFB. Besides, service conditions the letter also contains strategic information and matters of commercial trade secrets and because of that department had claimed exemption under Section 8(1)(a) & (d).

Decision

Commission invokes Section 10 of RTI Act and directs the CPIO to provide relevant contents of the letter which are connected to the service conditions of employees in the merger process of HCL in OFB within 15 days of receipt of this order.

The appeal is disposed of accordingly.

(Divya Prakash Sinha) Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

(Raghubir Singh)
Dy. Registrar/Designated Officer