

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION

(Room No.315, B-Wing, August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi 110 066)

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Information Commissioner

CIC/CC/A/2015/000130-SA

(Video Conference – Sonapat)

Rameshwar Das Bhankhar Vs. Kendriya Vidyalaya Sanghatan, New Delhi.

Important Dates and time taken:

RTI/CPIO: 5-8/5-9-14 (31)	1 st Appeal: 25-9-2014	2 nd Appeal: 31-12-2014
Show cause issued	Hearing: 16-03-2016	Decision: 22-03-2016

Parties Present: The appellant is present at the NIC studio, Sonapat. The Public Authority is represented by Mr. S.Vijaya Kumar, KVS (Hqs), Delhi.

FACTS:

2. The appellant sought information about a post in computer science, qualifications required for the Post of PG Teacher, copy of rules, whether the candidates, who secured the degree through distance education are eligible, etc. PIO replied on 5-9-2014. Claiming non-satisfaction over the information furnished by the public authority, the appellant approached the Commission in second appeal, after exhausting with the first appeal.

DECISION:

3. Both parties made their submissions. The Commission considers that it is not appropriate for the then CPIO, Mr. Kavare to state that clarifications sought by the appellant cannot be answered under the RTI Act. The appellant had sought information about a post in computer science, qualifications required for the Post of PG Teacher, copy of rules, whether the candidates, who secured the degree through distance education are eligible, etc. This is the information which the Public Authority is under obligation to voluntarily disclose under

Section 4(1)(b) of the RTI Act and place the same in the web site. They should also develop FAQ on the subject and upload the same into the public domain, so as to decrease this kind of RTI applications. The Commission, therefore, directs the respondent authority to furnish information on the clarifications sought by the appellant through his RTI application, within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. The Commission also directs the then CPIO, Mr. Kavare to **show cause** why penalty should not be imposed on him for denying the information to the appellant. His explanation should reach the Commission within 21 days from the date of receipt of this order.

5. The Commission orders accordingly.

(M. Sridhar Acharyulu)
Information Commissioner

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