

**Central Information Commission, New Delhi**  
**File No.CIC/SM/A/2010/001250**  
**Right to Information Act-2005-Under Section (19)**

**Date of hearing** : **1 September 2011**

**Date of decision** : **1 September 2011**

**Name of the Appellant** : **Smt. Neena,  
House NO. 1250,  
Sector 21B, Chandigarh – 160 019.**

**Name of the Public Authority** : **CPIO, Canara Bank,  
Customer Service Section,  
Circle Office Delhi, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
Ansal Tower, 38, Nehru Place,  
New Delhi – 110 019.**

The Appellant was not present in spite of notice.

On behalf of the Respondent, the following were present:-

- (i) Shri Sekhar Kumar Halder, Asstt. General Manager,
- (ii) Shri R.K. Oberoi, Relationship Manager

**Chief Information Commissioner** : **Shri Satyananda Mishra**

2. We had fixed this case for hearing today through video conferencing. In spite of notice, the Appellant did not turn up in the Chandigarh studio of the NIC. The Respondents were present in our chamber. We heard their submissions.

3. The Appellant had sought the photocopy of the attendance register of the Hauz Khas branch of the bank for the calendar year 1994 and some details about the house rent/lease rent paid to the staff of that branch during that year. The CPIO had denied the information by invoking the provisions of Section 8(1) (e) and (j) of the Right to Information (RTI) Act. The Appellate Authority had also endorsed the decision of the CPIO.

4. After carefully considering the facts of the case, we do not tend to agree with the decision of either the CPIO or the Appellate Authority in this case. The desired information is about the attendance register and the house rent paid to the staff, both in the nature of ordinary administrative information. There is no ground to withhold such information or, by no stretch of imagination, can this be described as personal information or information held in a fiduciary capacity. Therefore, we direct the CPIO to provide both this information, if available, to the Appellant within 10 working days of receiving this order. In case, the information is not available, for any reason, such as, weeding out of the records, the CPIO shall clearly inform the Appellant suitably.

5. The appeal is disposed of accordingly.

6. Copies of this order be given free of cost to the parties.

**(Satyananda Mishra)**  
**Chief Information Commissioner**

Authenticated true copy. Additional copies of orders shall be supplied against application and payment of the charges prescribed under the Act to the CPIO of this Commission.

**(Vijay Bhalla)**  
**Deputy Registrar**