

पावर ग्रिड कारपोरेशन ऑफ इंडिया लिमिटेड
POWER GRID CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED

सूचना का अधिकार अधिनियम 2005 के अंतर्गत आपीलीय अधिकारी
APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER THE RTI ACT, 2005

केन्द्रीय कार्यालय, 'सौदामिनी', प्लॉट नं.2, सेक्टर-29, गुड़गांव, हरियाणा- 122001
CORPORATE CENTRE, 'SAUDAMINI', PLOT No.2, SECTOR-29, GURGAON, HARYANA- 122001

Ref: C/CP/AA/RTI Act, 2005

Date: 07 Dec, 2023

Appellant: Sh. Surendra Kumar, H No. 202 Block-B, Sector Omicron-II, Greater Noida, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Uttar Pradesh -201310

Public Authority: POWERGRID

Respondent: CPIO, Corporate Centre, POWERGRID, Gurgaon

ORDER

Grounds of Appeal

The Appellate Authority has received an online RTI Appeal bearing number PGCIL/A/E/23/00058 dated 03/11/2023 from sh. Surendra Kumar, (appellant). Earlier, the appellant herein had filed the RTI application bearing number PGCIL/R/E/23/00377, dated 02/10/2023. The instant appeal has been preferred on the ground that the CPIO has "Refused access to Information Requested".


Order:

I have seen the above mentioned RTI application. I have also perused the reply sent by the CPIO and other relevant documents. The appellant herein in his RTI application had sought information related to promotion policy and rules for Group A executives. CPIO vide reply dated 02.11.2023 had informed that the information sought cannot be provided under clause 8(1)(d) of RTI Act, as the promotion policy for executives is intellectual property of the company and gives the company a competitive advantage through its effective management practices. Aggrieved by the reply, the appellant has preferred this appeal and requested to provide the information.

Section 4 of the RTI Act emphasizes the proactive disclosure of information by public authorities and mandates the suo motu disclosure of various categories of information on the official website of the public authority. In my considered opinion the information sought falls under the ambit of Section 4 of the RTI Act.

In view of the above, CPIO is directed to provide the information to the appellant within 30 days of issuance of this order.

Accordingly, the appeal is disposed of.


(B. Anantha Sarma)
ED (CP) & Appellate Authority

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