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', प्लाट नं.2, सैक्टर-29, गुड़गांव , हरियाणा- 122001 CORPORATE CENTRE, 'SAUDAMINI', PLOT No.2; SECTOR-29, GURGAON, HARYANA- 122001

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

Appellant: Mr. Suresh Kumar, S/o Late Ram Kumar, Village- Jhanjhrola-Khera, P.O.- Sultanpur, Block & Teh.-Farrukh Nagar, Distt.-Gurugram, Haryana-122506

Date: 21 May, 2024

Public Authority: POWERGRID

Respondent: CPIO, Corporate Centre, POWERGRID, Gurgaon

ORDER

Grounds of Appeal

The Appellate Authority has received RTI appeals dated 22/04/2024 and 06/05/2024 (against the same RTI application) through speed post from Mr. Suresh Kumar (appellant). Earlier, the appellant herein had filed an RTI application dated 16/03/2024 through speed post (received on 21/03/2023), with the CPIO Corporate Centre. The instant appeals have been preferred on the grounds that the CPIO has not provided the information.

Order:

The appeal dated 22/04/2024 was preferred by the appellant as he did not receive the information within the stipulated time as the reply was sent on 22/04/2024. through speed post. The appeal dated 06/05/2024 has been preferred as the appellant was not satisfied by the response provided vide reply dated 22/04/2024.

I have seen the aforementioned RTI application as well as the replies sent to the appellant, and other relevant documents.

In response to the information sought for Sl.no. 1, 3 and 4, the CPIO have communicated that the said contract has already been closed and retrieval of the said information shall disproportionately divert the resources of public authority

hence, disclosure is exempted under section 7(9) of the Act. In my considered opinion, section 7 (9) cannot be a ground for denial of information which is available on records. Ends of justice would be met if the applicant is allowed inspection of files. In view of the same CPIO is hereby directed to facilitate inspection of files after giving due information to the appellant within fourteen days of this order. It is clarified that appellant shall seek prior appointment before visiting the office

The appeal(s) are accordingly disposed of.

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

To: Mr. Suresh Kumar, S/o Late Ram Kumar, Village- Jhanjhrola-Khera, P.O.-Sultanpur, Block & Teh.-Farrukh Nagar, Distt.-Gurugram, Haryana-122506

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