Appeal dated 05.02.2021 by Akhilesh Tripathi in regard to the RTI Application dated 01.01.2021 under Right to Information Act, 2005 ("Act")

ORDER

RTI appeal having no.PGCIL/A/E/21/00005 dated 05.02.2021 had been received through online from the appellant on being aggrieved by the RTI Reply furnished on dtd 27.01.2021.

On perusal of the RTI Application & RTI Reply, it is observed that the applicant Akhilesh Tripathi has sought for information pertaining to recruitments for various posts held at POWERGRID, Bhopal office up to December 2020 vide query nos. 1 to 6 of the Application. The CPIO had disposed of the online RTI Application on 27.01.2021 furnishing information to the applicant. The Appeal has been preferred by the Appellant on being aggrieved by the reasons that the information provided by POWERGRID are incomplete, misleading and false.

The First Appellate Authority has found that the CPIO has disposed of the "RTI Application" on merit vide reply uploaded on 27.01.2021. The Applicant has sought for copies of various documents as regards to the recruitment / postings at POWERGRID Bhopal office up to December 2020, whereas the CPIO has rightly disposed of the RTI Application by stating that no such recruitments are held at POWERGRID Bhopal office, as the recruitments in POWERGRID are done centrally through Corporate & Regional Head Quarter level as a whole for the entire organization. Further, for the information sought by the applicant vide other queries viz-a-viz 2, 3 & 6 seeking Bio-data and other details of the employees / labors at Bhopal office, the CPIO had replied that the information sought are exempted under Sec 8 (1)(j) of RTI Act, as the same are personal information and no larger public interest has been established by the Applicant to divulge. As the reply had been given on merit, the Appellate authority found no reason to interfere with it.

On the above grounds, I do not find any reason to interfere with the RTI Reply and the "Appeal" filed by the "appellant' does not hold good and is liable to be rejected. With this order, the Appeal stands disposed of.

A copy of the Order may be sent to the Appellant.

Date: 25.02.2021.

Executive Director
First Appellate Authority
Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd.,
WR-II, Vadodara.