## APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER RTI ACT SUPREME COURT OF INDIA TILAK MARG, NEW DELHI

No. F.1/RTI/A.61/2024 Dated: 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

To

Sh. Debaprasad Bandyopadhyay, Anekanta, 23/1, Jay Narayan Banerjee Lane, Baranagar, West Bengal – 700036 Mob: 9830630707

Sir/Madam,

As directed by the First Appellate Authority enclosed please find herewith a copy of the Order dated 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2024 passed by the First Appellate Authority under the RTI Act, 2005 of the Supreme Court of India in your Appeal No. 61 of 2024.

Yours faithfully,

(Manan Arora)
Court Assistant
A/w Ld. Registrar/Appellate Authority

Encl: as above

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# PRESENT: H. SHASHIDHARA SHETTY, REGISTRAR-CUM-FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY

#### MONDAY 26th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024

#### APPEAL NO. 61 OF 2024 IN DY. NO. 2928/RTI/23-24/SCI

Debaprasad Bandyopadhyay, Anekanta, 23/1, Jay Narayan Banerjee Lane, Baranagar, West Bengal – 700036 Mob: 9830630707

... Appellant

Versus

Additional Registrar & Central Public Information Officer, Supreme Court of India, New Delhi

... Respondent

#### ORDER

- 1) Aggrieved by the reply, dated 13.01.2024 furnished by the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO), Supreme Court of India (under Dy. No. 2928/RTI/23-24/SCI), the appellant has preferred this appeal under Section 19 (1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (for short 'the Act').
- 2) The factual background in nutshell is that by way of application dated 06.01.2024, the appellant solicited the indulgence of CPIO in seeking certain information.
- 3) The CPIO replied as under:

"It is beyond the jurisdiction and scope of the duties of CPIO, Supreme Court of India under the Right to Information Act, 2005 to interpret the law, judgments/orders of this Hon'ble Court or of any other Court or to give explanation, opine, comment or advise on matters, etc."

- 4) Notice of the appeal has been issued to the appellant calling upon him to present his case. However, acknowledgment thereof was not received by this office and therefore, online delivery report of track consignment was obtained, wherein it is mentioned that the notice/consignment has been delivered to the appellant on 09.02.2024 at 11:53:29 hrs.
- 5) Heard the appellant through Video Conferencing and examined the relevant record.
- 6) On due consideration, I find that reply sent by CPIO is clear and explicit. The CPIO rightly responded to the appellant stating therein that it is beyond the jurisdiction and scope of the duties of CPIO, to give explanation, opinion, comment or advice of any nature.
- 7) The reply sent by CPIO is appropriate and does not require any further addition or further elaboration. There appears no error or illegality in the same, hence, no interference is called for.
- 8) Viewed in the context of what has been stated above, there appears no substance and/or merit in the appeal of the appellant. Accordingly, the same is dismissed.
- 9) The Appellant, if aggrieved by this Order, may prefer Second Appeal before the Central Information Commission, CIC Bhawan, Baba Gangnath Marg Munirka, New Delhi 110 067 under Section 19(3) of the Act, within 90 days from the date of communication of this Order.
- 10) Copy of this Order be sent to the appellant as well as to the CPIO either through e-mail or through registered post.

(H. SHASHIDHARA SHETTY)
FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY
UNDER RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT

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