

BEFORE THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY
(Under the Right to Information Act, 2005)
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA

Appeal No. 5727 of 2023

Varshil Shah	:	Appellant
	Vs	
CPIO, SEBI, Mumbai	:	Respondent

ORDER

1. The appellant had filed an application dated May 28, 2023 (received by the respondent through RTI MIS Portal) under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (“**RTI Act**”). The respondent, by a letter dated June 19, 2023, responded to the application filed by the appellant. The appellant filed an appeal (Reg. No. SEBIH/A/E/23/00141) dated June 24, 2023, against the said response dated June 19, 2023. I have carefully considered the application, the response and the appeal and find that the matter can be decided based on the material available on record.
2. **Queries in the application** –The appellant, vide his application dated May 28, 2023, sought the following information:

“1. Detailed information about the Sabara Q shop refund claim process, including the necessary documents and forms required to initiate the refund claim.

2. The step-by-step procedure involved in claiming a refund for Sabara Q shop investments.

3. The timeframe or estimated duration within which the refund process is expected to be completed.”
3. The respondent, in response to the application, informed that the queries are not clear and specific and accordingly, the same cannot be construed as seeking “information”, as defined under section 2(f) of the RTI Act. Further, the respondent advised the appellant to approach Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies (CRCS), Ministry of Co-operation for seeking information related to Central Registrar, Ministry of Co-operation.
4. **Ground of appeal-** The appellant has filed the appeal on the ground that the information provided was incomplete, misleading or false. The appellant, in his appeal, *inter alia*, submitted that he intended to ask

about claim process and refund process of Sahara India Parivar scheme Sahara Q Shop and not Sahara Co-operative Society.

5. I have perused the queries and the response provided by the respondent. On consideration, I find that the response provided by the respondent is addressed to one Mr. Vinay Kumar Pandey (RTI Application Reg. No. SEBIH/R/E/23/00519). It appears that the response with respect to RTI Application Reg. No. SEBIH/R/E/23/00519 was inadvertently uploaded on the RTI MIS portal instead of the response with respect to RTI Application Reg. No. SEBIH/R/E/23/00524.
6. Considering the above observations, I remit the application to the respondent for sending appropriate response to the appellant in terms of RTI Act, within 5 working days from the date of receipt of this order.
7. The Appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Place: Mumbai

Date: July 24, 2023

ANAND BAIWAR
APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER THE RTI ACT
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