

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

Appeal No.6381 of 2025

Siva Ganesh Tamilalagan : Appellant
Vs

CPIO, SEBI, Mumbai : Respondent

ORDER

1. The appellant had filed an application dated April 14, 2025 (received by the respondent through RTI MIS Portal) under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (“**RTI Act**”). The respondent, by a letter dated May 05, 2025, responded to the application filed by the appellant. The appellant filed an appeal (Reg. No. SEBIH/A/E/25/00087) dated May 07, 2025. 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, in his application dated April 14, 2025, sought the following information:

“Please provide certified copies or details of the IPO approval process, if any, granted by SEBI to Bharat Global Developers Ltd (formerly known by any earlier names, if applicable) including date of approval, prospectus filings, and any related documentation submitted by the company.”
3. **Reply of the Respondent** –The respondent, in response to the application, informed that the listing details of Bharat Global Developers Ltd. are available on the website on BSE. The respondent also informed that the IPO approval process of Companies is, *inter-alia*, governed by the Companies Act, 2013 and the SEBI (Issue of Capital and Disclosure Requirements) Regulations, 2018.
4. **Ground of appeal** – The appellant has filed the appeal on the ground that he was provided incomplete, misleading or false information. I note that appellant in his appeal has submitted that he wants clear

confirmation as to whether SEBI holds any IPO approval record for Bharat Global Developers Ltd and that he is not seeking any documents at the appeal stage.

5. I have perused the application and the response provided thereto. On consideration, I find that the respondent has adequately addressed the queries by providing the information available with him. Further, I note that the appellant, in his appeal, has sought additional information/tried to modify his application. I note that this request has been made for the first time in this appeal. As held by the Hon'ble Central Information Commission in *Harish Prasad Divedi vs. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited* (decided on January 28, 2014), an information seeker cannot be allowed to expand the scope of his RTI enquiry at appeal stage. Accordingly, I find that the said submissions do not warrant consideration at this stage.
6. In view of the above observations, I find that there is no need to interfere with the decision of the respondent. The appeal is accordingly dismissed.

Place: Mumbai

Date: June 03, 2025

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**APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER THE RTI ACT
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