

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

Appeal No. 5798 of 2023

Ashish Shankar	:	Appellant
	Vs	
CPIO, SEBI, Mumbai	:	Respondent

ORDER

1. The appellant had filed an application dated August 17, 2023 (received by the respondent through RTI MIS Portal) under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (“**RTI Act**”). The respondent, by a letter dated September 04, 2023, responded to the application filed by the appellant. The appellant filed an appeal (Reg. No. SEBIH/A/E/23/00197) dated September 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, in his application August 17, 2023, *inter alia*, made allegations regarding dishonest steps taken by bureaucrats. The appellant also sought copy of affidavit filed before the Hon’ble High Court of Judicature at Patna by the OSD of Cabinet Secretariat Bihar.
3. The respondent, in response to the aforesaid applications, informed that the queries do not pertain to SEBI. Hence, no information is available with SEBI.
4. **Ground of appeal-** On perusal of the appeal, it appears that the appellant is not satisfied with the response provided by the respondent. The appellant, in his appeal, stated that the reply is invalid and that the matter is of national interest. The appellant also made certain allegations in the appeal.
5. On perusal of the application and the response, I note that the respondent has categorically stated that the requested information is not available with SEBI as the same does not pertain to SEBI. I note that the respondent can only provide information that is available in the records. On consideration, I find that the application has been adequately addressed and I do not find any deficiency in the response.

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: October 06, 2023

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