

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

Appeal No. 5681 of 2023

Siddhartha Goel	:	Appellant
	Vs	
CPIO, SEBI, Mumbai	:	Respondent

ORDER

1. The appellant had filed an application dated April 21, 2023 (received by the respondent through RTI MIS Portal) under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (“**RTI Act**”). The respondent, by letter dated May 19, 2023, responded to the said application filed by the appellant. The appellant filed an appeal (Reg. No. SEBIH/A/E/23/00101) dated May 20, 2023. I have carefully considered the application, the response provided by the respondent 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 April 21, 2023, sought the following information:

“1. Name and office address of the Chairman of Kfintech Technologies Pvt. Ltd.

2. Official email address and office phone number of the Chairman of Kfintech Technologies Pvt. Ltd.”
3. The respondent, in response to query number 1, informed that the information sought is available in the public domain. The respondent advised the appellant to refer to the website of the company for details. With respect to query number 2, the respondent provided the details of the official email address and phone number.
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 the respondent has not provided specific reply to the specific query. The appellant also stated that the respondent provided templated statement and referred to public domain to check which is vague and ambiguous in nature. Further, the appellant submitted that the respondent should have checked the public domain and then provided the specific reply.

5. I have perused the queries and the response provided thereto. On consideration, I find that the response provided by the respondent does not seem to be addressing the queries raised by the appellant regarding Chairman of Kfin Technologies Private Limited. In my opinion the same warrants reconsideration.
6. Considering the above observations, I remit the application to the respondent for *de novo* consideration of the application dated April 21, 2023 and for sending appropriate response to the appellant in terms of RTI Act, within 15 working days from the date of receipt of this order.
7. The Appeal is accordingly disposed of.

Place: Mumbai
Date: June 19, 2023

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APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER THE RTI ACT
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