

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER (RTI)/ CPIO CENTRAL GOODS AND SERVICES TAX, PLOT NO. 36-37, SECTOR-32, GURUGRAM 122001

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Dated- 22.02.2022

To,

Mr. Kareem Ansari, Yugantar (HC3P5279), 3-4-142/6, Barkatpura, Hyderabad 500027

Subject: Information sought under RTI Act, 2005 - reg.

Sir,

Please refer to your RTI application dated 24.01.2022. The reply of the RTI are as under:-

In this context, it is to inform that the information sought by the you is specific in nature and no such record is maintained. As per guidelines issued by the DOPT vide OM No. 01/32/2013-R dated 28.11.2013, public Information Officer is not supposed to create or interpret information or reshape the information. The said OM prescribes that Public Information Officer is required to supply the 'material' in the form as held by the public authority, but not to do research on behalf of the citizen to deduce anything from the material and then supply it to him."

Further, it has been held by the CIC in it's judgment dated 22.06.2007 in the case of Saidur Rehman Vs. CIC in Appeal Nos. CIC/AA/A/2006/00032 & 00034 that -

"the right to information is not about seeking answers or asking questions. It is more about inspection of documents or records or taking notes, extracts or certified copies of the documents/ records. In regard to 'information' which is an electric form, information can be sought in any electric form, such as, diskette, floppies, tapes, video cassettes, etc.

Although the definition of the right to information is an inclusive one but still it has to be information available and existing. It must also be either held by or under the control of the concerned public authority. A non est information is no information. Similarly, in the name of seeking an information, one cannot demand what is not there on the record."

Any appeal against this order lies with First Appellate Authority, office at First Floor, CGST Bhawan, Plot No. 36 & 37, Sector - 32, Gurugram within 30 days.

Yours Sincerely,

CPIO (CGST Gurado