

Central Information Commission, New Delhi
File No. CIC/SM/A/2012/001489
Right to Information Act-2005-Under Section (19)

Date of hearing : 2 May 2013

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Name of the Appellant : ~~Shri Subhash S (Ex-Air Force),
Gallery, Poundkadavu,
Vallyaveli PO, Trivandrum - 695 021.~~

Name of the Public Authority : CPIO, Prasar Bharati,
Broadcasting Corporation of India,
DG: Doordarshan, Copernicus Marg,
New Delhi - 110 001.

CPIO, Prasar Bharati,
Broadcasting Corporation of India,
All India Radio: Thiruvananthapuram.

CPIO, Prasar Bharati,
Broadcasting Corporation of India,
Doordarshan Kendra:
Thiruvananthapuram - 695 043.

The Appellant was present.

On behalf of the Respondent, the following were present:-

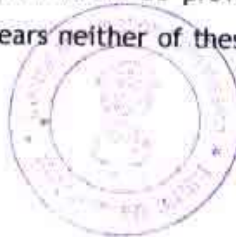
- (i) Ms. B.D. Mohanty, DDG,
- (ii) Shri Mansingh, SO,
- (iii) Shri Devender Kumar, Assistant,
- (iv) Shri Subhash, Director,
- (v) Shri Salil Kumar

Chief Information Commissioner : Shri Satyananda Mishra

2. We heard the submissions of all the parties.

3. Referring to some advertisement placed in the Doordarshan regarding the introduction of DD direct plus DTH service which was withdrawn later, the Appellant had raised a number of queries. The CPIO had provided some information against some of the queries. Against the remaining queries, he had observed that the information would be provided by DD National and the All India Radio (AIR). It appears neither of these two agencies provided

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any information to the Appellant. Similarly, the Appellate Authority seems not to have disposed of his appeal either.

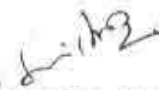
4. During the hearing, the Appellant specifically drew our attention to those queries against which no information was provided to him. These include the first two queries and the last six queries. The respondent representing the DD DTH admitted that the information relating to the first two queries should have been provided by the CPIO since the matter pertained to that division. We were informed that the then CPIO was no longer there having retired from service. Therefore, we are not in a position to impose a penalty on him for not providing the information against these two queries even though it was held by his very division. Now, we direct the CPIO concerned representing the DD DTH division to write to the Appellant within 10 working days of receiving this order and to provide the file noting relating to the decision to withdraw the advertisement about the introduction of the DD direct plus DTH service.

5. The last seven queries concern the All India Radio. It is deplorable that nobody from that organisation came for the hearing. We direct the CPIO of the AIR to write to the Appellant within 10 working days of receiving this order and provide the information against the last seven queries contained in the RTI application.

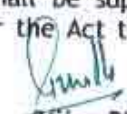
6. The CIC Registry shall forward a copy of the RTI application to the CPIO of the AIR.

7. The case is disposed off accordingly.

8. Copies of this order be given free of cost to the parties.


(Satyananda Mishra)
Chief Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy. Additional copies of orders shall be supplied against application and payment of the charges prescribed under the Act to the CPIO of this Commission.


(Vijay Bhalla)
Deputy Registrar

