# BEFORE SHRI RAMAYAN YADAV, ADDITIONAL SECRETARY & FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY

(Under Section 19 of RTI Act, 2005) Ministry of Law & Justice: Department of Legal Affairs Room No. 409, "A" Wing Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.

## Appeal No. 36/AS(RY)/IC/RTI/2016

IN THE MATTER OF

Shri Aaftab Alam, A-28, KH-46/7, Ganga Ram Park, Ranholla, Nangloi, Najafgarh Road, New Delhi-110041.

Appellant

Versus

Central Public Information Officer, Ministry of Law & Justice, Department of Legal Affairs, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.

Respondent

#### **ORDER**

### Dated: 22/12/2016

Shri Aaftab Alam (hereinafter, the Appellant) vide his First Appeal dated 18.11.2016 (received in this office on 2/12/2016) against the information furnished by this Department vide letter dated 3/10/2016 relating to his RTI application dated 14/9/2016.

- 2. The CPIO, Deptt. of Legal Affairs (hereinafter, the Respondent) has informed the Appellant vide letter 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2016 that the information in respect of 200 questions sought by him is not available with this Department. The Appellant being aggrieved by the decision of CPIO filed the present appeal dated 18.11.2016 (received in this Department on 2/12/2016).
- 3. After careful examination of the matter, I am of the considered view that the CPIO of this Department has already replied to RTI applications of the Appellant. As far as Department of Legal Affairs is concerned, the information sought is not available with this Department. Moreover, the basic function of this Department is to inter-alia, give legal advice to Ministries/Departments only. Thus, I uphold the reply given by CPIO to the appellant.
- 4. The appeal is disposed of accordingly.

5. In case, the Appellant is not satisfied/aggrieved this information order, she may file a Second Appeal within 90 days before the Hon'ble CIC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delh-110066.

(RAMAYAN YADAV)
Additional Secretary & First Appellate Authority

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