F.TS.No.1318728/2019-RTI Cell
Government of India
Ministry of Finance
Department of Revenue

To
Shri Sardari Lal Saigal,
F-53, First Floor,
Suncity, Sector 54,
Gurugram-122011.

Subject: RTI Application dated 02.12.2019 of Shri Sardari Lal Saigal-reg

Sir,

Please refer to your RTI Application dated 02.12.2019 received by the RTI Cell, Department of Revenue through the Department of Expenditure O.M.No.11(17)/2019 dated 11.12.2019. As per G.S.R 603(E) notified on 31.07.2012 (copy enclosed) a cheque is not a valid mode of payment of RTI fees. You are therefore requested to file a fresh RTI Application along with RTI Application fee in the form of demand draft or banker's cheque or an Indian Postal Order of Rs. 10/- (Rupees ten), payable to the Accounts Officer of the Public Authority. Your RTI Application along with the cheque bearing no 000600 is returned herewith.

Encl: as above

Yours faithfully,

(Raghvendra Singh Kushwah)
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Smt. Diensh Sharma, Section Officer (RTI Cell), Department of Expenditure, Lok Nayak Bhawan, Khan Market, New Delhi-110003.
G.S.R. 603(E).—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 27 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (22 of 2005) and in supersession of the Central Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005 and the Right to Information (Regulation of Fee and Cost) Rules, 2005 except as respects things done or omitted to be done before such supersession, the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:—

1. Short title and commencement—

(1) These rules may be called the Right to Information Rules, 2012.

(2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette. 2. Definitions.—In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) "Act" means the Right to Information Act, 2005 (22 of 2005);

(b) "Commission" means the Central Information Commission constituted under sub-section (1) of Section 12 of the Act;

(c) "First Appellate Authority" means an officer in the public authority who is senior in rank to the Central Public Information Officer to whom an appeal under sub-section (1) of Section 19 of the Act lies;

(d) "Registrar" means an officer of the Commission so designated and includes an Additional Registrar, Joint Registrar and Deputy Registrar;

(e) "Section" means a Section of the Act;

(f) all other words and expressions used herein but not defined in these rules shall have the same meanings assigned to them in the Act.

3. Application Fee.—An application under sub-section (1) of Section 6 of the Act shall be accompanied by a fee of rupees ten and shall ordinarily not contain more than five hundred words, excluding annexure, containing address of the Central Public Information Officer and that of the applicant:

Provided that no application shall be rejected only on the ground that it contains more than five hundred words.

4. Fees for providing information.—Fee for providing information under sub-section (4) of Section 4 and sub-sections (1) and (5), of Section 7 of the Act shall be charged at the following rates, namely :-

(a) rupees two for each page in A-3 or smaller size paper;
(b) actual cost or price of a photocopy in large size paper;
(c) actual cost or price for samples or models;
(d) rupees fifty per diskette or floppy;
(e) price fixed for a publication or rupees two per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication;
(f) no fee for inspection of records for the first hour of inspection and a fee of rupees 5 for each subsequent hour or fraction thereof; and
(g) so much of postal charge involved in supply of information that exceeds fifty rupees.

5. Exemption from Payment of Fee. — No fee under rule 3 and rule 4 shall be charged from any person who, is below poverty line provided a copy of the certificate issued by the appropriate Government in this regard is submitted along with the application.

6. Mode of Payment of fee. — Fees under these rules may be paid in any of the following manner, namely:

(a) in cash, to the public authority or to the Central Assistant Public Information Officer of the public authority, as the case may be, against a proper receipt; or

(b) by demand draft or bankers cheque or Indian Postal Order payable to the Accounts Officer of the public authority; or

(c) by electronic means to the Accounts Officer of the public authority, if facility for receiving fees through electronic means is available with the public authority.

7. Appointment of Secretary to the Commission. — The Central Government shall appoint an officer not below the rank of Additional Secretary to the Government of India as Secretary to the Commission.

8. Appeal to the Commission. — Any person aggrieved by an order passed by the First Appellate Authority or by non-disposal of his appeal by the First Appellate Authority, may file an appeal to the Commission in the format given in the Appendix and shall be accompanied by the following documents, duly authenticated and verified by the appellant, namely :

(i) a copy of the application submitted to the Central Public Information Officer;
(ii) a copy of the reply received, if any, from the Central Public Information Officer;
(iii) a copy of the appeal made to the First Appellate Authority;
(iv) a copy of the Order received, if any, from the First Appellate Authority;
(v) copies of other documents relied upon by the appellant and referred to in his appeal;
and (vi) an index of the documents referred to in the appeal.

9. Return of Appeal. — An appeal may be returned to the appellant, if it is not accompanied by the documents as specified in rule 8, for removing the deficiencies and filing the appeal complete in all respects.

10. Process of appeal.–

(1) On receipt of an appeal, if the Commission is not satisfied that it is a fit case to proceed with, it may, after giving an opportunity of being heard to the appellant and after recording its reasons, dismiss the appeal:

Provided that no appeal shall be dismissed only on the ground that it has not been made in the specified format if it is accompanied by documents as specified in rule 8.

(2) The Commission shall not consider an appeal unless it is satisfied that the appellant has availed of all the remedies available to him under the Act.

(3) For the purposes of sub-rule (2), a person shall be deemed to have availed of all the remedies available to him under the Act: