

**BEFORE THE REGISTRAR OF CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES – CUM – FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER
THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005.**

First Appeal No.2/2025

Present : Thiru. S.YESVANTHAIYAR

Registrar of Co-operative Societies–cum-First Appellate Authority.

M. KALIYAVARADHAN,
N. S/o.Munusamy (Late),
No.4, Pillaiyar Koil Street,
Thirubhuvanai,
Puducherry - 605 107.

>>>> Appellant

Vs

The Managing Director-cum-Public Information Officer,
The Pondicherry Co-operative Central &
Development Bank Ltd., P.No.106,
No.24, Colos Nagar, Uppalam,,
Puducherry - 605 107.

>>>> Respondent

ORDER

(Issued under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005)

The appellant submitted an application dated 20.02.2025, under Section 6 of the Right to Information Act, 2005, (hereafter “the Act”) to the respondent bank and sought for certain information. The respondent furnished response to the appellant vide letter dated 20.03.2025.

2. Not satisfied by the response of the respondent bank, the appellant filed this first appeal on 23.04.2025, on the ground that the response given by the respondent bank is contradictory and further the Public Information Officer of the bank denied to inspect and furnish xerox copy of the records sought by the appellant

3. The response of the respondent bank was called for, vide notice dated 28.04.2025. The respondent bank furnished his response vide letter dated 05.05.2025 received in this office on 20.05.2025. **(Copy Enclosed)**. The respondent bank has informed that, the information sought by the appellant were furnished vide letter dated 20.03.2025 and further the appellant was permitted to peruse the relevant records during the bank hours. Accordingly, the appellant visited the bank on 17.04.2025, perused the relevant records and requested some copies of the documents. The bank official requested the appellant to give written letter about the documents required by him, in order to put up the same in the file to the PIO to provide those documents, but the appellant refused to give written letter and left the bank premises. Hence, the respondent bank has stated that, the allegation of the appellant in the First Appeal that, the PIO not allowed to visit the bank & provided the requested documents after perusal of the records of the bank is not true.

4. On perusal, it is observed that, the appellant has visited the bank, perused the records, but refused to give the details about the xerox copies needed for him. As such, the respondent bank adhered the Right to information Act, 2005 in letter & spirit. Only the appellant refused to give the details of the xerox required in letter format. Thus the plea of the appellant is not valid in the eyes of the law. Therefore it is ordered that, the appellant may visit the respondent bank during office hours within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order and may present a letter to the respondent bank about the documents / records required pertaining to his RTI application dated 20.02.2025 and accordingly remit the requisite fees for furnishing the xerox copy of the same by the respondent bank.

6. With the above directions, this appeal is disposed of.

7. If aggrieved by this decision, a 2nd Appeal may be filed, under Section 19(3) of the Act, within 90 days, with the 2nd Appellate Authority, whose address is given below:

Central Information Commissioner
Room No.305.II Floor, "B" Wing, August Kranthi Bhavan
Bhikaji Cama Place, NEW DELHI-110 066.

Dated at Puducherry on 26th May 2025.

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(S.YESVANTHAIYAH)
Registrar of Cooperative Societies-
cum- First Appellate Authority

Encl: As Stated.

To:

1. The Appellant
2. The Respondent.
- ✓ 3. The Web Editor, Cooperative Dept., Puducherry.
4. Stock File 2025.