

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

First Appeal No.3/2025

Present : Thiru. S.YESVANTHAIYAH

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

S. Ramalingam,
No.1, Anna Street,
Dr. Radhakrishnan Nagar, Kadirkamam,
Puducherry - 605 009.

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>>>> Appellant

Vs

The Managing Director-cum-Public Information Officer,
The Pondicherry Co-operative Spinning Mills Ltd.,
Puducherry - Villupuram National Highway,
Thiruvandarkoil P.O., Thirubuvanaï,
Puducherry - 605 102.

>>>> Respondents

ORDER

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

The appellant submitted an application dated 16.03.2025, under Section 6 of the Right to Information Act, 2005, (hereafter "the Act") to the respondent and sought for certain information. The Managing Director, Puducherry Co-operative Spinning Mills Ltd., P.396 (hereafter "Respondent-mill") furnished a reply to the appellant on 16.04.2025.

2. Not satisfied by the response of the respondent-mill, the appellant filed this first appeal dated 24.04.2025.

3. The response of the respondent was called for, vide notice dated 29.04.2025. The respondent-mill have furnished its response vide letter dated 09.05.2025 (**Copy Enclosed**). The respondent mill has furnished reply that, *"the information sought by applicant / appellant could not be informed that further action will be taken after consultation and approval from the Government. Hence the management is not in a position to submit the information sought by the Applicant under the RTI ACT, 2005"*.

4. It is observed that, the response made by the respondent-mill did not discharge their statutory duty envisaged under the Act and it is found that the respondent-mill's shifting of their responsibility for not providing the information on some invalid reasons. The appellant has sought information about the action taken by the respondent-mill on his letter dt. 10.03.2025 in respect of Order dated 18.10.2024 passed by the Hon'ble High Court in Writ Petition No.21167/2024. Instead of furnishing the action taken on the said letter dated 10.03.2025 the respondent-mill furnished an invalid reply. Further, It is also found that, the respondent-mill did not discharge their duty in letter and spirit of the Act.

5. In view of the above, it is ordered that, the 2nd respondent-mill is directed to furnish the information for Sl.No.1 of the appellants Form-I dated 18.03.2025, within 15 days of receipt of this order, free of cost.

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6. In view of the above, this first 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 the **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.
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