

Before the Registrar of Cooperative Societies-cum-First Appellate Authority
under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

First Appeal No. 8 / 2020

Present: Tmt. SMITHA.R, I.A.S.

Registrar of Cooperative Societies-cum-First Appellate Authority.

R.Suriyanarayanan
Thanga Salai, Kalmandapam
Nettapakkam Post, Puducherry – 605 106.

>>>> Appellant.

Vs.

The President-Cum-Public Information Officer
Kalmandapam Coop. Milk Producers Society Ltd., No.P.301.
Mandagapet Post, Nettapakkam (Via), Puducherry – 605 106.

>>>> Respondent.

ORDER

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

The appellant submitted an application dated **22.04.2020** to the Public Information Officer, Cooperative Department, Puducherry, under the Right to Information Act, 2005 and sought information in respect of the respondent-society, which was transferred to the respondent-society, for disposal in accordance with the provisions of the said Act. The respondent-society, vide its letter dated **03.06.2020**, furnished the information to the appellant.

2) Aggrieved by the respondent-society's response, the appellant filed this first appeal dated **26.06.2020**. The appellant, in his grounds for appeal, has simply contended that, the respondent-society didn't furnish the required information.

3) The available records were perused. The respondent-society furnished information in respect of amount paid to the appellant for his milk supply to the respondent-society. In respect of membership, the respondent-society informed the appellant that his membership application dated 03.07.2019 is under examination. In respect of admission of an individual as a member of a cooperative society, the committee of management of the society concerned shall strictly adhere the provisions of sub-section (2) of Section 20 of the Puducherry Cooperative Societies Act, 1972. As per the said sub-section, the committee of management shall scrutinize the membership application and shall either admit or refuse to admit the individual who applied for membership in the society, within 14 days from the date of receipt of membership application. If the committee of management refuses to admit, the applicant shall be informed with reasons therefor. It is evident that, this procedure was not followed by the respondent-society.

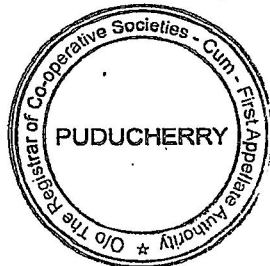
4) In view of the above, the respondent-society is directed to admit the appellant as a member of the society if he is found eligible to become a member of the society. If the appellant is not found to become a member of the society, the respondent-society shall inform the appellant the reasons for refusal of membership in the society. Admission or refusal, as the case may be, shall be carried out by the committee of management of the respondent-society strictly within two (2) weeks from the date of receipt of this order.

5) With the above direction, **this first appeal is disposed of.**

6) 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 Kranti Bhavan, Bhikaji Cama Place, NEW DELHI – 110 066.

Dated at Puducherry on the **31st day of July, 2020.**




(SMITHA.R, I.A.S.)
3/5 Registrar of Cooperative Societies-cum-
First Appellate Authority

To:

- (1) The Appellant
- (2) The Respondent
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