## BEFORE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Jeevan Vihar Building Sansad Marg, New Delhi- 110 001 **Dated: 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2023** 

Order under section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (RTI Act) in respect of RTI Appeal Registration No. ISBBI/A/E/23/00017

## IN THE MATTER OF

Appellant
Respondent

- 1. The Appellant has filed the present Appeal dated 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023, challenging the communication of the Respondent dated 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 in his RTI application no. ISBBI/R/E/23/00048 dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023 filed under the Right to Information Act (RTI Act). In his RTI application, the Appellant has requested for the following -
  - 'I was working as a deputy manager at the company Alchemist Limited-Nehru place New Delhi from 2014 to 2021. This corrupt company, Alchemist Limited, has withheld the salaries of its employees for a long time, and after 2018, company has not even paid the EPF, for which a legal case is going on against Alchemist Limited in the NCLT Court. Sir, I had sent its full details to the concerned officers of the NCLT Court on March 22,2023, but I have not received any reply from anyone till now. I want to collect the following information of this case going under NCLT Court through RTI Zonal Bench, Filing Number, Filing Year, Case Type, Case Number, Party Type, Party Name, Case Year, Case Status, Advocate Name, Year Sir, also update what is the latest update on this case, and when will the NCLT court get the final settlement of pending salaries of employees"
- 2. With regard to queries of Appellant, the Respondent has stated that "The information w.r.t. the CIRP of M/s. Alchemist Limited can be found on the website of IBBI at https://ibbi.gov.in/en/claims/corporate-personals"
- 3. Aggrieved by the same, while reiterating the information requested in RTI Application, the Appellant has stated the following in the Appeal
  - "...I have tried several times to contact the number provided in RTI for contact, but no contact is being made from any of the numbers, and no response has been received to date. I want to get information about a legal case through related RTI; this case is going on in NCLT under Insolvency and Bankruptcy. Kindly provide me with information about this case because I belong to a poor family and more than 8 lakhs of my salary and provident fund money are stuck in it, due to which my children's studies and family's financial condition are greatly disturbed. It have also informed the concerned officials and offices about this several times through mail but did not get any response from anyone. The family has reached the point of committing suicide. I have attached all those emails sent to the concerned officers and offices by merging them into the attached PDC file for your information. Kindly help and do the needful."

- 4. It is noted that as per section 7(1) of the RTI Act, the Respondent is required to respond within 30 days of the receipt of the request. As per records, the Application was received by CPIO on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2023. However, it was not disposed till 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2023. Accordingly, I find clear laxity on the part of the Respondent as claimed by the Appellant since the Application was not disposed of by the Respondent within 30 days.
- 5. Being CPIO of Public Authority like IBBI, Respondent should be sensitive to timelines and disposal of information request. The Respondent is, therefore, advised to take into account the requirements of law while dealing with information requests under the RTI Act and dispose of RTI applications within the prescribed time. I, therefore, direct the Respondent to deal with the RTI Applications in accordance with law.
- 6. Further, I note that the Appellant has stated that he has not received any reply to his RTI application. I direct the Respondent to re-send his reply within 5 days of receipt of Order. The appeal is accordingly, disposed of.

Sd/ (Santosh Kumar Shukla) First Appellate Authority

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