

**WHOLE TIME MEMBER AND FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY
INSOLVENCY AND BANKRUPTCY BOARD OF INDIA**

7TH FLOOR, MAYUR BHAWAN, NEW DELHI

DATED THE 1ST OF MARCH, 2019

Appeal No. ISBBI/A/2019/60002 (F.No. IBBI/BS/RTI/RTI APP/246/Kollamsetty/608)

Dated: March 1, 2019

Arising out of Order dated February 6, 2019 under RTI Request No. ISBBI/R/2019/50004

IN THE MATTER OF

Mr. Kollamsetty Ravindra Babu

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Appellant

Versus

CPIO, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India

7th Floor, Mayur Bhawan

New Delhi

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Respondent

ORDER

1. The present Appeal No. ISBBI/A/2019/60002 dated February 12, 2019 received in the office of the First Appellate Authority (**FAA**), Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India under the Right to Information Act, 2005 has been preferred by Mr. Kollamsetty Ravindra Babu against the order of the CPIO, Dr. Anuradha Guru, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India with respect to his RTI Request No. ISBBI/R/2019/50004.
2. On a detailed perusal of the RTI Application of Mr. Kollamsetty Ravindra Babu, it is observed that the appellant sought information regarding qualifications and experience produced by Mr. G.P. Penchala Reddy to get registration with IBBI as registered valuer.
3. The respondent, Dr. Anuradha Guru, CPIO, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India with respect to the RTI Request No. ISBBI/R/2019/50004 of the appellant, have opined that:
 - (i) *Information sought pertains to personal information of a third party which is exempt under Section 8(1)(j) of the Right to Information Act, 2005.*
4. The appellant Mr. Kollamsetty Ravindra Babu has attached a copy of the judgement and provided his opinion in the appeal stating that the degrees produced by the candidate has been cancelled by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in *Vijay Kumar and Ors, etc. vs. Rabi Shankar Patro and Ors. (C.A. no. 17869-17890/2017 arising out of special leave petition (C) Nos. 19807-19808/2012)*.

5. The present RTI appeal has been examined and I have perused the response provided by the respondent in respect of the queries raised in the RTI application.

6. The provisions of Section 8(1)(j) states that:

(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, there shall be no obligation to give any citizen, -

(j) information which relates to personal information the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest, or which would cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual unless the Central Public Information Officer or the State Public Information Officer or the appellate authority, as the case may be, is satisfied that the larger public interest justifies the disclosure of such information: Provided that the information, which cannot be denied to the Parliament or a State Legislature shall not be denied to any person.....”

7. Further, the Hon'ble CIC in the matter of *Shri A.D. Sharma Vs. Municipal Corporation Delhi* CIC/DS/A/2012/002173, CIC/DS/A/2012/002176 and CIC/DS/A/2012/002184 opined that, “Public authority also is not legally obliged to give or provide information even if it is held, or under its control, if that information falls under Clause (j) of Sub-section (1) of Section 8....”

8. In view of the above I do not wish to interfere in the order of CPIO. However, the Authority Competent to grant registration to valuers is hereby directed to re-verify the documents submitted by Mr. G.P. Penchala Reddy in support of his educational qualification.

Accordingly, the appeal is disposed of.

Sd/-

(Dr. Navrang Saini)

Whole Time Member and First Appellate Authority

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