Central Information Commission File No.CIC/SM/A/2009/001008 dated 30-12-208 Right to Information Act-2005-Under Section (19)

Dated: 5 May 2010

Name of the Appellant

Shri S. Mohan

Assistant Security Officer,

Security Section, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Trombay, Mumbai - 400 085

Name of the Public Authority

CPIO, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Central

Complex, 3rd Floor, BARC, Trombay, Mumbai -

400 085.

The Appellant was present in person.

On behalf of the Respondent, Shri Goverdhan Rao, PIO was present.

- 2. In this case, the Appellant had, in his application dated 30 December 2008, requested the CPIO for a number of information including the copies of the annual confidential reports for a number of years. In his reply dated 23 January 2009, the CPIO provided detailed information/clarifications against all his queries except the one regarding the ACRs. He observed that the copies of the ACRs could not be disclosed being confidential records. Not satisfied with the reply of the CPIO, the Appellant preferred an appeal on 30 January 2009. The Appellate Authority disposed of the appeal in his order dated 18 February 2009 in which he endorsed the stand of the CPIO. The Appellant has come to the CIC in second appeal against this order.
- 3. We heard this case through videoconferencing. Both the parties were present in the Mumbai studio of the NIC. After hearing their submissions and keeping in mind several rulings of this Commission on the subject, we are of the view that the copies of the ACRs for the relevant years should be provided to the Appellant. Therefore, we direct the CPIO to do so within 10 working days from the receipt of this order.
- The case is, thus, disposed off.

5. Copies of this order be given free of cost to the parties.

(Satyananda Mishra)
Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy. Additional copies of orders shall be supplied against application and payment of the charges prescribed under the Act to the CPFO of this Commission.

(Vijay Bhalla) Assistant Registrar

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