



## निर्यात निरीक्षण परिषद्

(आई एस ओ 9001 : 2015 प्रमाणित संस्थान) (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)

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दिनांक: 23.06.2025

सेवा में,

श्री साईं मुनि मेदुरू 26-3-612, तीसरा क्रॉस रोड, ज्योति नगर, वेदयापलेम, नेल्लोर शहर एसपीएसआर, नेल्लोर जिला, आंध्र प्रदेश – 524004

विषय: आर.टी.आई. अधिनियम, 2005 की धारा 19(1) के तहत श्री साईं मुनि मेदुरू, आंध्र प्रदेश द्वारा की गईं अपील -के संबंध में।

महोदय,

कृपया निम्नलिखित दस्तावेज सूचना / आवश्यक कार्रवाई हेतु संलग्न किये जा रहे हैं।

(कुलदीप सिंह) उप निदेशक(त.) एवं प्रथम अपीलीय अधिकारी

संलग्नः उप्रोक्तानुसार

## प्रतिलिपि:

1. ए.सी.पी.आई.ओ., निनिअ– चेन्नई - सूचनार्थ।

2. सी.पी.आई.ओ., आर.टी.आई. सेल, निनिप, नई दिल्ली - सूचनार्थ।

3 आई.टी. अनुभाग, निनिप, नई दिल्ली - वेबसाइट पर अपलोड करने हेतु।





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No. EIC/D (Q/C)/ RTIC/25-26/048/2025/ 64)

Dated: 23.06.2025

#### **ORDER**

Subject: Appeal made by Shri Sai Muni Meduru, Andhra Pradesh under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 – reg.

### Facts of the Case:

Shri Sai Muni Meduru, Andhra Pradesh, vide application dated 19.05.2025, has made an appeal under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 against the reply submitted by ACPIO, EIA-Chennai vide reply dated 08.05.2025 in response to RTI application dated 12.04.2025. Shri Sai Muni Meduru, vide RTI application dated 12.04.2025, had sought the information regarding committee report on investigating the matter of integrity of sampling and sampling allotment process. ACPIO, EIA-Chennai, vide reply dated 08.05.2025, had informed that the information cannot be disclosed as per rule 8(1)(j) of the Act.

In response to the reply of ACPIO, EIA-Chennai, the appellant has raised an appeal under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 vide application dated 19.05.2025. The appellant in his appeal has stated that the ACPIO, EIA-Chennai has provided false & misleading information and requested to provide appropriate orders to the ACPIO, EIA-Chennai to provide the information as per his RTI application.

#### Orders:

The Appellate authority has gone through all the relevant documents such as RTI Application dated 12.04.2025 submitted by Shri Sai Muni Meduru, the reply furnished by the ACPIO, EIA-Chennai vide reply dated 08.05.2025 and the instant appeal dated 19.05.2025.

- i.) It is a case in which the RTI appellant used to serve as an outsourced manpower through a 3<sup>rd</sup> party vendor in EIA-Chennai, Sub Office-Nellore. The purpose of the information sought in the instant RTI Application is to find out the recording of the e-mail exchanges. The RTI Appellant knows that these communications eventually lead to decisions for, or against, him. He wants to gain access to these communications to pursue his agendas about or against the officer recording the communications. When such information is disclosed, it invariably brings retribution to the officer in the shape of a court proceedings, intimidatation, etc. So Confidentiality of such e-mail exchanges is an entirely wholesome principle conducive to good governance thereby protecting such officers from intimidation etc. Hence, the information sought under the RTI Act is exempted under section 8(1)(g).
- ii.) The information sought about the Committee Report on investigation of integrity of Sampling and Sampling allotment process pertain to commercial confidence & trade secrets and its disclosure would adversely affect the competitive position of its

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stakeholders. Further, the appellant has not established any larger public interest for disclosure of the said information. Accordingly, information sought attracts the provisions of Section 8(1)(d) which bars disclosure of information sought.

To this extent, the reply provided by the ACPIO, EIA-Chennai stands revised. Hence, the appeal of Shri Sai Muni Meduru hereby stands disposed of, without any further directions to ACPIO, EIA-Chennai.

In case the appellant intend to prefer an appeal, as per Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005, the appellant may do so to Chief Information Commission, CIC Bhawan, Baba Gangnath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi - 110067, within 90 days of the receipt of this letter.

(Kuldeep Singh)

Deputy Director (T) & First Appellate Authority

Shri Sai Muni Meduru 26-3-612, 3<sup>rd</sup> Cross Road, Jyothi Nagar, Vedayapalem, Nellore city SPSR, Nellore District, Andhra Pradesh - 524004

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- 1. ACPIO, EIA-Chennai for information..
- 2. CPIO, RTI Cell, EIC, New Delhi for information.
- 3. IT Section, EIC, New Delhi for uploading on website.