ORDER

1. The appellant, Shri Shanker Goel, submitted RTI application before the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO), IFCI Ltd, New Delhi seeking the name of the officer (out of 28 officers) who was not paid the revised pay and allowances w.e.f. 1.11.2002 though he retired between the aforesaid period; date(s) on which the payment of arrears of revised pay/pension and allowance was made to 27 officers and 7 workmen; certified copy of HR Circular or HR Office Order or Office Note whereby the decision of IFCI to pay revised
pay/pension and allowances w.e.f. 1.11.2002 to the said officers and workmen was notified; certified copy of notings wherein the proposal for payment of revised pay/pension and allowances to 27 officers and 7 workmen from 1.11.2002 was initiated and approved at the executive level in IFCI through four points.

2. The CPIO denied information with regard to the names of officers who were paid revised pay and allowances under the provisions of Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act however, the date of payment to the officials had been provided; as regards the HR Office Order etc. the respondent informed the appellant that the decision was made as per the recommendations of Rajya Sabha Committee on petitions and in line with advice of Ministry of Finance vide letter No. F 15/6/2008-IF.I dated 27.5.2013 and on the approval of Board of Directors of IFCI Ltd. Dissatisfied with the decision of the CPIO, the appellant approached the first appellate authority (FAA). The FAA vide order dated 19.04.2016 concurred with the decision of the CPIO.

3. Thereafter dissatisfied with the decision of the respondents, the appellant filed the present appeal before the Commission.

4. The matter was heard by the Commission. The appellant vide his letter dated 21.12.2016 expressed his inability to attend the hearing. However, he requested the Commission to direct the CPIO to provide the name of the officer who was not paid the revised pay and allowances; copies of HR Circulars, Order or Office Note whereby the decision of IFCI to pay revised pay/pension and
allowances w.e.f. 1.11.2002 to officers/workmen was notified and copies of file notings wherein the proposal for payment for revised pay/pension to 27 officers and 7 workmen was initiated and approved at the executive level in IFCI. The respondents stated that the appellant sought the name of officer who was not paid the revised pay and allowances w.e.f. 1.11.2002 cannot be provided to the appellant under the provisions of Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005 as held by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of Girish Ramchandra Deshpande Vs. CIC & Others. They added that the information concerning those who obtained voluntary retirement was also their personal information. However, the CPIO had provided copies of circulars issued in this regard by the IFCI Ltd. to the appellant.

5. Having considered the submissions of the respondents and perused the relevant document in file, the Commission observes that disclosable information under the RTI Act, 2005 had been provided to the appellant. However, the Commission directs the CPIO to provide copy of file note to the appellant, wherein the proposal was initiated/approved, in case it pertained to the appellant, after following the provisions of Section 10(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, **within two weeks** of the receipt of the order of the Commission. The appeal is disposed of.

(Manjula Prasher)
Information Commissioner

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