Appellant: Shri Banarasi Rai, 
21, Heera Bhawan Naka, Adhartal, Jabalpur, 
Madhya Pradesh.

Respondent: The Central Public Information Officer, 
Central Bureau of Investigation, 
Anveshan Parisar, Char Imli, Bhopal, 
Madhya Pradesh-462 016.

Date of Hearing: 24.06.2016

Relevant dates emerging from the appeal:

RTI application filed on: 17.06.2014
CPIO’s reply: 26.06.2014
First Appeal filed on: 07.07.2014
Second Appeal filed on: 01.09.2014

ORDER

1. Shri Banarasi Rai filed an application dated 17.06.2014 under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (RTI Act) before the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO), Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) seeking information regarding action taken report on his complaint dated 15.04.2014.
2. The appellant filed a second appeal before the Commission on 01.09.2014 on the grounds that no information has been provided to him by the CPIO as well as the First Appellate Authority (FAA) within the stipulated time limit under the provisions of RTI Act.

Hearing:

3. The appellant Shri Banarasi Rai was not present despite notice. The respondent Shri Harish Singh, CPIO and Superintendent of Police, CBI was present in person.

4. The respondent submitted that as per Section 24(1) of the RTI Act, CBI is exempted from the purview of the RTI Act, except when the information pertains to allegations of corruption and human rights violations. Therefore, information has been denied to the appellant.

Decision:

5. The Commission observes that in this case information has been sought from CBI, an organization to which the RTI Act does not apply as per Section 24(1) of the RTI Act. Further, the information sought does not pertain to allegations of corruption and human rights violations by the officers of CBI. Hence, information cannot be provided to the appellant.

6. With the above observations, the appeal is disposed of.

7. Copy of decision be given free of cost to the parties.

(Sudhir Bhargava)

Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy
(V.K. Sharma)
Designated Officer