

MAHARASHTRA POLLUTION CONTROL BOARD

BEFORE THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY CONSTITUTED BY THE BOARD
UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005

HEARING HELD ON 17th JULY, 2009

Shri Ravi G. Punjabi,
A-901, Videocon Tower 'A',
Thakur Complex,
Kandivali(E), Mumbai – 400 101.

....Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer (HQ),
Maharashtra Pollution Control Board,
Kalpataru Point Bldg., 3rd Floor,
Sion(E), Mumbai – 400 022

.....Respondent

ORDER

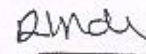
The Appellant had filed the appeal mentioning that the copy of information sent by the Public Information Officer (PIO) is not readable and PIO has not provided information about the copy of procedure set up between MCGM and MPCB for approving and monitoring of projects which needs to comply with environmental approvals and norms.

The PIO received the application under Right to Information Act, 2005 on dated 26th May, 2009, regarding the documents related to ongoing construction of buildings at Videocon Tower CHS Ltd., Kandivli and copy of procedure set up between MCGM and MPCB for approving and monitoring of projects which needs to comply with environmental approvals and norms.

In this regard, PIO called the information from Regional Officer (P&P), MPCB, Mumbai, which received on dt. **15th June, 2009** along with the letter dated 30-04-2008, which is issued by Hon'ble Member Secretary to Municipal Commissioner regarding implementation of EIA Notification vide No.S.O.1533 dt. 14-09-2006, to the construction projects before issuing commencement letter. The information was sent to the applicant on dt. 17-06-2008.

The applicant appealed to this office on dt. 26th June, 2009 u/s 19(1) of RTI Act, 2005 which was received to PIO on 29th June, 2009. The Senior Law Officer of the Board explained to the applicant that the letter given by Hon'ble Member Secretary to the Commissioner, MCGM for not issuing commencement letter to any construction project without observing the guidelines issued by the Notification vide No.S.O.1533 dt. 14-09-2006 which covers the reply to the questions raised by the applicant. He also directed to issue fresh copy of the above letter to the applicant and the applicant agreed to this and the appeal is accordingly disposed off.

Dated this 18th day of July, 2009 at Mumbai.



(P.P. Nandusekar)
Appellate Authority(HQ)
MPCB