BEFORE THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY
(Under the Right to Information Act, 2005)
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA

Appeal No. 7144 of 2026

Dhanni Devi Panwar	:	Appellant
	Vs	
CPIO, SEBI, Mumbai	:	Respondent

ORDER

1. The appellant had filed an application dated September 15, 2026 (received by SEBI on September 17, 2026) under the Right to Information Act, 2005 ("**RTI Act**"). The respondent, by a letter dated September 29, 2026, responded to the application filed by the appellant. The appellant filed an appeal dated October 09, 2026 (Reg. No. SEBIH/A/P/26/0076, received by the Office of Appellate Authority on October 13, 2026). I have perused the application, the response of the respondent and the appeal and find that the matter can be decided based on the material available on record.

2. **Queries in the application** - The appellant, in her application, sought the following information:

   ""मेरा PACL मे बकाया भुगतान देने बाबत् मेरा TOTAL रसीद अमाउंट 14850 चौदह हजार आठ सौ रुपके के जिसका मुझे 329 भुगतान बता रखे हैं आपसे निवेदन हैं कि मेरा Claim application status को एडिट ऑप्शन को खोलने की कृपा करे जिससे मे मेरी सारी रसीद और डोकीमेन्ट सबमिट कर सकू मेरा भुगतान करने की कृपा करे मे आपकी हमेशा आभारी रहूँगी ।*"*

3. **Reply of the Respondent** – The respondent, in response to query in the application, informed that the information sought is not available with SEBI. Notwithstanding the aforesaid, the respondent stated that all communication regarding refund status is handled by the Justice (Retd.) R.M. Lodha Committee. The respondent also advised the appellant to approach the said Committee. Further, the respondent informed that the details of PACL Matters- Public Notices, Press Releases, Status Report and FAQs etc. are available on SEBI website.

4. **Ground of appeal** – On perusal of the appeal, it appears that the appellant is not satisfied with the response of the respondent.

5. I have perused the application and the response provided thereto. The respondent, in his response, has categorically mentioned that the requested information is not available with SEBI. In this context, I note that the Hon'ble Central Information Commission (**CIC)** in the matter of *Sh. Pattipati Rama Murthy vs. CPIO, SEBI* (Decision dated July 8, 2013), held: "… *if it (SEBI) does not have any such information in its possession, the CPIO cannot obviously invent one for the benefit of the Appellant. There is simply no information to be given.*" Accordingly, I do not find any deficiency in the response of the respondent.

6. Notwithstanding the above, I note that the responsibility of disposal of the properties and repayment to investors, is entrusted with the Justice (Retd.) R. M. Lodha Committee (under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Mr. Justice R.M. Lodha, former Chief Justice of India), which has been constituted, pursuant to the order dated February 2, 2016 of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. I also note that the respondent has provided the links for accessing Status Reports, FAQs, Press Releases and Public Notices pertaining to the matter of PACL Ltd., which are already available in the public domain. The appellant may be guided accordingly.

7. In view of the above observations, I find that there is no need to interfere with the decision of the respondent. The appeal is accordingly dismissed.

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