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

Appeal No. 7131 of 2026

Ramapati Kuar	:	Appellant
	Vs	
CPIO, SEBI, Mumbai	:	Respondent

ORDER

1. The appellant had filed an application dated October 03, 2026 (received by SEBI through RTI MIS portal) under the Right to Information Act, 2005 ("**RTI Act**"). The respondent, by a letter dated October 06, 2026, responded to the application filed by the appellant. The appellant filed an appeal dated October 06, 2026 (Reg. No. SEBIH/A/E/26/00381). 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:

"Under Section 6(1) of the RTI Act 2005 I seek the following information regarding PACL Certificate No U23008xxx in the name of Ramapati Kuwar. The PACL refund portal shows that the application could not be processed further because land has been allotted as per data provided by PACL Ltd.

1. *Complete details of land shown as allotted against the certificate.*
2. *Plot or Khasra number.*
3. *Village Block or Tehsil District and State.*
4. *Area of land allotted.*
5. *Name of the PACL project under which the land was allotted.*
6. *Certified copy of the record or data received from PACL Ltd on the basis of which land is shown as allotted.*
7. *Certified copy of the available allotment letter or related record.*
8. *Certified copies of available sale deed registry possession letter or other land documents relating to this allotment.*

9. *Please state whether the record shows actual allotment registration or possession or only an allotment entry in the data provided by PACL Ltd.*
10. *Please provide the present status or action applicable to this PACL certificate for refund purposes."*

3. **Reply of the Respondent** – The respondent, in response to 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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