

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

**Appeal No. 6885 of 2026**

Vikram Singh

:

Appellant

Vs

CPIO, SEBI, Mumbai

:

Respondent

**ORDER**

1. The appellant had filed an application dated April 10, 2026 (received by SEBI through RTI MIS portal) under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (“**RTI Act**”). The respondent, by a letter dated May 13, 2026, responded to the application filed by the appellant. The appellant filed an appeal dated May 16, 2026 (Reg. No. SEBIH/A/E/26/00182). 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 his application dated April 10, 2026, sought the following information:

*“ I seek the following information regarding PACL Ltd. investment/refund records related to PACL Certificate No. U199140471 in the name of VIKRAM SINGH:*

*1. Complete details of the land/property allegedly allotted against PACL Certificate No. U19914xxx.*

*2. Name and location of the project/scheme under which the land was allotted.*

*3. Plot number, khasra/survey number, village, tehsil, district and state of the allotted land. 4. Copy of allotment letter, allotment record or any related document available with SEBI/Justice R.M. Lodha Committee/PACL records.*

*5. Whether possession, registry or transfer of the allotted land was ever completed in my name.*

6. *Certified copies of all available records/documents related to the said allotment. I am attaching a copy of PACL registration/receipt dated 26/02/2010 for identification and tracing of the allotted land..”*

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 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** – The appellant has filed the appeal on the ground that he was provided incomplete, misleading or false information.
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. The appellant, in his appeal, has requested the instant forum to direct the respondent to transfer his application to the concerned public authority under section 6(3) of RTI Act. 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. Further, Hon’ble CIC in its decision in *M Shanmugam v CPIO, Pearls Agrotech Corporation Ltd. & Or.* (Date of decision: 14.03.2024) had accepted the contention of the respondent that the Justice Lodha Committee is not public authority under section 2(h) of the RTI Act. Accordingly, I do not find any deficiency in the action of the respondent.
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.

**Place: Mumbai**

**Date: June 09, 2026**

**RUCHI CHOJER**

**APPELLATE AUTHORITY UNDER THE RTI ACT  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE BOARD OF INDIA**