

**Passed by:**

ED (Engg), MIS & STD.  
& First Appellate Authority  
Airports Authority of India  
'A' Block, Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan  
Safdarjung Airport,  
New Delhi-110003

**In the matter of:**



Order No. AAI/CHQ/ED (Engg.) MIS & STD/ RTI Appeal/2026

Dt. 30.01.2026

**1. PREAMBLE**

This order is made under section 19 of the RTI Act 2005.

An appeal against this order may be filed with Central Information Commission, CIC Bhawan, Baba Gang Nath Marg, Near Staff Quarters, Old JNU Campus, Munirka, New Delhi – 110037. The appeal may be filed within 90 days from the date on which this order should have been made or is actually received.

**2. FACTS**

 Mumbai, India has made RTI Registration No. CCCC/RTI/42/2025-26 dt. 18/12/2025 vide speed post seeking the following information:

S. No.	Query
1	List, particulars and status of Mediation/ Arbitration cases involving the Airports Authority of India (AAI) in the last 5 years.
2	Please supply Certified copies of the following information/Documents:  A-1) List, Particulars and Status of Mediation/ Arbitration cases involving the Airports Authority of India (AAI) in the last 5 years.

**3. DECISION OF CPIO AGAINST WHICH THE APPEAL IS FILED**

In response to the Applicant's queries, the General Manager (Engg-C)/CPIO-MIS & STD, AAI, CHQ, New Delhi, has sent reply to applicant vide speed post, letter No. AAI/CHQ/Engg(C)-MIS/CPIO-RTI/O/2026/357 dated 06.01.2026.

Copy of the reply to applicant is enclosed.

**4. REASONS FOR APPEAL OF THE APPELLANT**

The applicant further appealed vide speed post Registration No. CCCC/RTI/1<sup>ST</sup> Appeal/22/2025-26 dt. at Mumbai GPO the 21.01.2026, received in this office on 27.01.2026, to First Appellate Authority, Sh. J.T. Radha Krishna, ED (Engg), MIS & STD, under the RTI Act 2005 that:

*"The Appeal is filed on the following amongst several other grounds which are taken in alternative are without prejudice to each other: -*

## **GROUND**

A-1) The information is not supplied.

A-2) Reply of PIO is un-tenable.

A-3) The PIO has made a bald and bare statement that "the information sought is not specific" without specifying what is "not specific" in the RTI application.

A-4) In the spirit of the RTI act, and as held by a catena of decisions of the Hon'ble CIC, it was incumbent on the CPIO, that if he indeed felt the Requisition to be "not specific", then in that case, to connect with the RTI Applicant to clarify which is the Information required rather than the trigger happy to summarily reject the requisition in a TUGHLAQI FIRMAAN."

## **5. FINDING / ORDER OF FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

Having gone through the case, the RTI applicant sought the information from the General Manager (Engg-C)/CPIO-MIS & STD, AAI, CHQ, New Delhi, has sent reply to applicant vide speed post letter no. AAI/CHQ/Engg(C)-MIS/CPIO-RTI/O/2026/357 dated 06.01.2026.

The RTI applicant query has been reviewed and the point wise observations/information are as per the following.

1. As per the public information available on <https://www.aai.aero/en/corporate/aai-today>

"AAI manages 137 airports, which include 24 International Airports (including 3 International Civil Enclaves), 10 Customs Airports (including 4 Customs Civil Enclaves), 80 Domestic Airports and 23 Domestic Civil Enclaves at Defence airfields. AAI also provides Air Traffic Management Services (ATMS) over entire Indian Air Space and adjoining oceanic areas with ground installations at all Airports and 25 other locations to ensure safety of Aircraft operations."

Further AAI have multiple departments and details of same are available on AAI website [www.aai.aero](http://www.aai.aero)

In view of above, the information sought is not specific in nature.

Specific information can be sought from respective Airports as respective airports are custodian of documents.

With this, the online First Appeal dt: 21.01.2026 of [REDACTED] hereby stands disposed off with the above decision.

Encl: 01 (copy attached)



J.T. Radha Krishna  
Executive Director (Engg), MIS & STD.  
First Appellate Authority

**Copy to:** For information

1. General Manager (Engg-C)/CPIO-MIS & STD.  
Airports Authority of India  
Air India building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Room No. 111.  
Safdarjung Airport,  
New Delhi-110003
2. Jt. General Manager (RTI)  
Nodal Officer – RTI  
Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan  
Safdarjung Airport  
New Delhi-110003
3. CPIO & ASP/IP, CCCC, Govt. of India, Department of Posts, Office of the Director  
Mumbai GPO, Mumbai GPO-400001 w.r.t. letter dated 21.01.2026 - for information  
please (by speed post).



J.T. Radha Krishna  
Executive Director (Engg), MIS & STD.  
First Appellate Authority



**A-3)** The PIO has made a bald and bare statement that "*The information sought is not specific*" without specifying what is "*not specific*" in the RTI application.

**A-4)** In the spirit of the RTI Act, and as held by a catena of decisions of the Hon'ble CIC, it was incumbent on the CPIO, that if he indeed felt the Requisition to be "*not specific*", then in that case, to connect with the RTI Applicant to clarify which is the Information required rather than be trigger happy to summarily reject the requisition in a TUGHLAQI FIRMAAN.

**PRAYER : Appellant humbly prays :-**

a) Direct to furnish the requisitioned information forthwith.

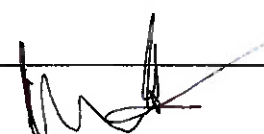
b) Impose personal penalty of not less than is. 50,000/- in consonance with the penalties imposed by the Central Information Commission (CIC) upon the delinquent Officers PIO and/or FAA under the RTI Act, 2005.

b) for costs,

6) Copies of the following documents are enclosed.

(i) RTI Application

(ii) PIO Impugned Order.



Appellant

Ref. No.: AAI/CHQ/Engg(C)-MIS/CPIO-RTI/O/2026/357

**Speed Post**  
Date: 06/01/2026

To:

**Sub: Information under RTI Act, 2005: RTI Registration No. CCCC/RTI/42/2025-26 dt. 18/12/2025.**

Sir,

Reference may please be made to your online RTI Registration No. **CCCC/RTI/42/2025-26 dt. at Mumbai GPO the 18/12/2025 (copy enclosed)**, received in this office on **24.12.2025 from O/o Director of Mumbai GPO (copy enclosed)**, Nodal officer seeking the information and reply is mentioned against the points:

S. No.	Query	Reply
1.	List, particulars and status of Mediation/ Arbitration cases involving the Airports Authority of India (AAI) in the last 5 years.	The information sought is not specific.
2.	Please supply Certified copies of the following information/Documents:  A-1) List, Particulars and Status of Mediation/ Arbitration cases involving the Airports Authority of India (AAI) in the last 5 years.	

However, if you are not satisfied with the reply/information furnished by CPIO, you may prefer a First Appellate Authority i.e. Shri J. T. Radhakrishnan, Executive Director (Engg)-MIS & STD, Airports Authority of India, Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan, A- block, Safdarjung Airport New Delhi – 110003. under Section 16(1) of the RTI Act, 2005.

Thanking You.  
Encl.: 02 Nos.

Yours Sincerely  
*Elizabeth Bob*  
(Elizabeth Bob)  
GM (Engg. - C)/CPIO, MIS & STD.  
AAI, Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan, New Delhi



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Office of the Director Mumbai GPO, Mumbai - 400 001

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From,  
The Central Asstt. Public Information Officer (CAPIO)  
Computerised Customer Care Centre,  
Mumbai GPO, Mumbai-400001  
Phone No. 022-22623120.

To,  
The First Appellate Authority under RTI Act, 2005  
Executive Director (Engg)-MIS & STD,  
Airports Authority of India, Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan, Safdatjung Airport,  
New Delhi-110003

No. CCCC/RTI/1<sup>st</sup> Appeal/22/2025-26 dated at Mumbai GPO the 21.01.2026

Sub: - Information under RTI Act-2005.

An application dated 20.01.2026 received from [REDACTED] under Right to Information Act-2005 as particularised below is enclosed herewith.

Brief Information sought for
Appeal Against CPIO

It is, therefore requested to furnish the information directly to the applicant.

Encl: - As above.

*Urgent*  
*GM EC MIS - I*  
*Pl. Process*

*[Signature]*  
21/1/26  
CAPIO & IP  
CCCC, Mumbai GPO -400001

Copy to:-

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- 1) [REDACTED] Further correspondence if any, may kindly be made directly to the above office, if no reply is received within the stipulated period.