

**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. 16.04.2026

**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**

has made RTI Registration No. AAOIN/R/E/26/00350 dt. 10/03/2026 vide RTI portal seeking the following information:

S. No.	Query
1.	Provide copies of AAI Procurement Manual sections on non-empaneled vendor use.
2.	List circumstances/ criteria for procuring glass from unlisted vendors in the last 3 years.
3.	Details of any approvals for contractors using non-empaneled vendors.
4.	How many times AAI had purchased glasses from non-empaneled vendors. Need copies of the same.
5.	For which Airport project, AAI had purchased glasses from non-empaneled vendors.

### **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 RTI portal on dt. 19.03.2026(Copy of the reply to applicant is enclosed).

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

The applicant further appealed vide portal Registration No. AAOIN/A/E/26/00096 dt. 19.03.2026 to First Appellate Authority, Sh. J.T. Radha Krishna, ED (Engg), MIS & STD, under the RTI Act 2005 with additional questions as below:

*The public authority does not hold, control, or is not the custodian of the information / details sought. I need information including all regions / airports / projects.*

- 1. The complete and latest list of all empaneled / approved / rate contracted vendors for supply/ procurement of glass items (architectural, façade, structural or any category maintained by AAI)*
- 2. The circumstances, criteria, guidelines or provisions (with relevant extracts from the AAI Procurement Manual or any other policy) under which glass can be procured from vendors who are not on the empaneled list.*
- 3. Complete details of every purchase of glass from non-empaneled vendors during the last 3 years, including: name & address of the vendor, quantity, value of order, date of purchase / order, and the specific project / airport / region.*
- 4. Project wise detail and total number of such purchases (non-empaneled vendors) of glass in the last 3 years, along with the total value per project and overall.*
- 5. Certified copies of the relevant sections/ extracts from the AAI Procurement manual (or any guidelines) on vendor empanelment, rate contracts for glass/supplies, and the extract procedure/justification required for deviation to non-empaneled vendors (including emergency, single tender, proprietary, GeM etc.)*
- 6. The total expenditure incurred on glass procurement from non-empaneled vendors during the last 3 years (year wise and grand total).*
- 7. For each purchase mentioned in points 3 & 4 , the recorded justification , approval note/ file noting, or reasons for selecting a non-empaneled vendor(or a summary statement if voluminous; alternatively, permit inspection of relevant files).*
- 8. Whether open tenders, Limited Tender Enquiry, or GeM portal was used for these purchases; if not, the specific provision invoked and copy of the approval.*

9. Copies (or summary) of any CAG audit observations, internal audit reports, or vigilance inquiries related to glass procurements or deviations from empaneled vendors in the last 3 years.

*I am willing to pay additional fees for photocopying / inspection if required. Please provide the information in electronic form where possible.*

### GROUNDS

Any other

#### 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, who has sent reply to applicant vide RTI portal on dt. 19.03.2026.

The RTI applicant query has been reviewed and this is found that the **Information** sought were changed in this appeal however, the point wise observations/information are as following:

S.N.	Query	Reply
1	The complete and latest list of all empaneled / approved / rate contracted vendors for supply/ procurement of glass items (architectural, façade, structural or any category maintained by AAI)	AAI has issued a list of preferred makes for use in Civil works and the same is available on AAI website on following path: <a href="https://www.aai.acro">https://www.aai.acro</a> > tender > tender-search > keyword search> enlistment > भाविप्रा मे सिविल कार्यों मे उपयोग के लिए मदो/उत्पादों केअधिमानित ओईएम / निर्माता को सूचीबद्ध किये जाने हेत रुचि की अभिव्यक्ति/ Expression of Interest (EoI) for Enlistment of Preferred makes of the items/ products for use in the civil works in AAI(C-2024) > Corrigendum > Corrigendum -V
2	The circumstances, criteria, guidelines or provisions (with relevant extracts from the AAI Procurement Manual or any other policy) under which glass can be procured from vendors who are not on the empaneled list.	This Public Authority does not hold, control, or is not the custodian of the information / details sought.

3	Complete details of every purchase of glass from non-empaneled vendors during the last 3 years, including: name & address of the vendor, quantity, value of order, date of purchase / order, and the specific project / airport / region.	This Public Authority does not hold, control, or is not the custodian of the information / details sought.
4	Project wise detail and total number of such purchases (non-empaneled vendors) of glass in the last 3 years, along with the total value per project and overall.	This Public Authority does not hold, control, or is not the custodian of the information / details sought.
5	Certified copies of the relevant sections/ extracts from the AAI Procurement manual (or any guidelines) on vendor empanelment, rate contracts for glass/supplies, and the extract procedure/justification required for deviation to non-empaneled vendors (including emergency, single tender, proprietary, GeM etc.)	This Public Authority does not hold, control, or is not the custodian of the information / details sought.
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With this, the online First Appeal AA01N/A/E/26/00096 dt. 19.03.2026 of [REDACTED] V hereby stands disposed of with the above decision.

Encls: as above.



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

**Copy to:** For information

1. In-Charge 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

**Sub: Information under RTI Act, 2005: RTI No. AAOIN/R/E/26/00350 dt. 10/03/2026.**

Sir,

Reference may please be made to your online RTI Registration No. AAOIN/R/E/26/00350 dt. 10/03/2026. The information sought and reply is mentioned as below:

S. NO.	QUERY	REPLY
1.	Provide copies of AAI Procurement Manual sections on non-empaneled vendor use.	AAI Procurement Manual is available on AAI Website under the link <a href="https://www.aai.aero/en/node/94078">https://www.aai.aero/en/node/94078</a> .
2.	List circumstances/ criteria for procuring glass from unlisted vendors in the last 3 years.	This Public Authority does not hold, control, or is not the custodian of the information/ details sought.
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5.	For which Airport project, AAI had purchased glasses from non-empaneled vendors.	This Public Authority does not hold, control, or is not the custodian of the information/ details sought.

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 Radha Krishna, 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.

Yours Sincerely

*Elizabeth Bob*  
19/03/2026  
(Elizabeth Bob)

GM (Engg-C)/CPIO, MIS & STD.

**Copy to:**

1. PS to ED Engg. - MIS & STD, AAI, CHQ: For information please.
2. Sh. P. K. Aswal, JGM (ES), RTI Cell, AAI, CHQ: For information please.