

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

[Redacted], India has made RTI Registration No. AAOIN/R/E/26/00330 dt. 07.03.2026 vide RTI portal seeking the following information:

S. No.	Query
1	Provide copies of AAI Procurement Manual sections on non-empanelled 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-empanelled vendors and provide copies of the approvals.
4	Can the empanelled vendor take legal action against AAI and the non-empanelled vendor, if the reasons submitted are proven false.

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/26/000097 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:

1. Certified copies of relevant extracts from Chapters 4 (Modes of Procurement), 8 (Rate Contracts) and Annexure 4.A (PAC) of the AAI Manual for Procurement of Goods and

Services 2018, specifically paras on LTE, STE, PAC, RC/FC, spot purchases, and justifications/approvals for non-empaneled vendors.

2. Whether glass supply is treated under this Manual or the Engineering Works Manual, and if any region-specific empanelment lists exists (e.g. Southern Region)

GROUND

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.

1. This public authority does not hold, control or is not the custodian of the information/details sought.
2. AAI has issued a list of preferred makes for use in Civil works and the same is available on AAI website on following path:
<https://www.aai.aero> > tender > tender-search > keyword search > enlistment > भाविप्रा मे सिविल कार्यों मे उपयोग के लिए मदो/उत्पादों के अधिमानित ओईएम / निर्माता को सूचीबद्ध किये जाने हेतु 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

With this, the online First Appeal AAOIN/A/E/26/ 00097 dt. 19.03.2026 of [REDACTED] 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, 1st 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/26/00330 dt. 07/03/2026.

Sir,

Reference may please be made to your online RTI Registration No. AAOIN/R/E/26/00330 dt. 07/03/2026. The information sought and reply is mentioned as below:

S. No.	Question	Reply
1	Provide copies of AAI Procurement Manual sections on non-empanelled vendor use.	AAI Procurement Manual is available on AAI Website under the link " https://www.aai.aero/en/node/94078 "
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.
3	Details of any approvals for contractors using non-empanelled vendors and provide copies of the approvals.	This Public Authority does not hold, control, or is not the custodian of the information/details sought.
4	Can the empanelled vendor take legal action against AAI and the non-empanelled vendor, if the reasons submitted are proven false.	This is a question and not an information, therefore, does not fall under RTI Act, 2005.

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. Asiwai, JGM (ES), RTI Cell, AAI, CHQ: For information please.