Dated: 26 April 2010

Name of the Appellant : Shri Sudhir Prabhakar Kulkarni
20/F, Kastruchand Building,
1st Floor, Gokhale Road (South) Dadar,
West Mumbai - 400 028.

Name of the Public Authority : CPIO, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre,
Central Complex, 3rd Floor,
BARC Trombay, Mumbai - 400 085.

The Appellant was not present in spite of notice.

On behalf of the Respondent, Shri Goverdhan Rao, CPIO was present.

2. In this case, the Appellant had, in his application dated 4 July 2008, quoted certain Government of India notification regarding appointment to vacant posts and had wanted the CPIO to provide certain clarifications. In his reply dated 11 July 2008 the CPIO had wanted the Appellant to send the annexures stated to have been enclosed with his original application so that he could provide the appropriate response to the queries. Following this, the Appellant sent the copies of the said enclosures. Thereafter, the CPIO wrote on 19 September 2008 and explained at length the position in regard to his various queries. Not satisfied with the reply of the CPIO, the Appellant preferred an appeal on 22 October 2008 which the Appellate Authority decided in his order dated 2 December 2008 in which he endorsed the information already provided by the CPIO. The Appellant has come to the CIC in second appeal against this order.

3. We heard this case through videoconferencing. The Appellant was not present. The Respondent was present in the Mumbai studio of the NIC. He submitted that the queries were not very clear but nevertheless the CPIO had tried to explain the position in respect of all the queries based on the available information. All that the Appellant wanted to know is the basis on
which the BARC had been recruiting personnel at various levels and if that basis is in conformity with the directions of the GOI issued from time to time.

4. We, therefore, direct the CPIO to provide to the Appellant within 10 working days from the receipt of this order, a detailed statement on the methodology of recruitment in the BARC and the authority for adopting that methodology/those practices.

5. With the above direction, the case is disposed off.

6. Copies of this order be given free of cost to the parties.

(Satyananda Mishra)
Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy. Additional copies of orders shall be supplied against application and payment of the charges prescribed under the Act to the CPIO of this Commission.

(Vijay Bhalla)
Assistant Registrar