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From,

Prof. Abichal Chattopadhyay,

Fellow, National Academy of Ayurveda, Govt. of India,

10 Rash Behari Ghosal Lane, Salkia, Howrah, Pin- 711106

Mob: 9830188328 ; email: abichalchattopadhyaya@gmail.com

To,

The State Information Commissioner,

Khadya bhawan complex, 11A,

Mirza Ghalib St, Janbazar, Taltala, Kolkata, West Bengal 700087

Sub: No response received in connection with the ref. letter no. HF/O/GA/2460/3A-247/2023 dated 31.07.2023 , DAY/689/2023/1(4) dated 02.08.2023 against my RTI application dated 15/06/2023, and corresponding letter number HF/O/GA/1985/3A-247/2023 dated 21/06/2023

Reference No: i) HF/O/GA/2460/3A-247/2023 dated 31.07.2023

ii) DAY/689/2023/1(4) dated 02.08.2023

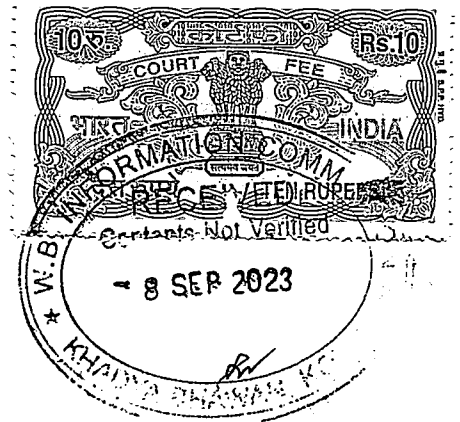
Sir,

In response to the above cited references, I have to inform you that even after the order passed by the first appellate authority to inform the reply to me against my RTI made on 15/06/2023 with in 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 to the respective concerned authority till date no response has yet been received by me from their end.

Hence, I am hereby submitting my second appeal before you with all the relevant papers for specific and appropriate reply against my RTI.

Thanking you

Date: 01/09/2023

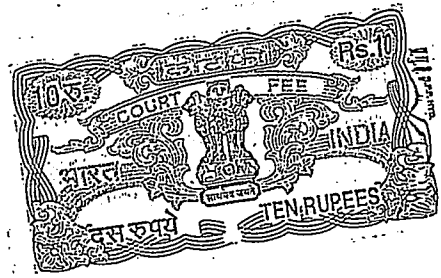


Yours faithfully,  
*Abichal Chattopadhyay*  
Prof. Abichal Chattopadhyay

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Date 26.07.2023

ie Assistant Secretary and State Public Service Information Officer  
&FW Department, Government of West Bengal  
lock -GN-29, Sector -V, Swasthya Bhawan  
altlake, Kolkata - 700091



Subject - Application under the right to information act 2005

Respected Sir/Madam,

I, Prof. Abichal Chattopadhyay, A citizen of India under West Bengal state, am willing to get the following information which is related to your department - Secretary & DG AYUSH, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of West Bengal.  
Please provide me the relevant information as per the norms under RTI act. If you believe that this application is not related to your department then kindly transfer this to the concerned department under the section of 6(3) of RTI act- 2005.

Please provide me the following information in specific

1. Please state the name of the Principal of the Institute of Post Graduate Ayurvedic Education & Research (IPGAE&R) at Shyamadas Vaidya Shastra Pith (SVSP), 294/3/1 A.P.C Road, Kolkata-9
2. Please state the name of the Principal In-Charge of the Institute of Post Graduate Ayurvedic Education & Research (IPGAE&R) at Shyamadas Vaidya Shastra Pith (SVSP) if there is no permanent principal.
3. In what position Prof. (Dr.) Mradu Gupta is working in the said institution, either as Principal or Principal In-Charge?
4. In the absence of Prof. (Dr.) Mradu Gupta at present to whom the Principal or Principal In-Charge is handed over? If such the copy of the letter of the concerned authority for the said is requested to attach.
5. Whether the person who is headed to the Institution at present in the absence of Prof. (Dr.) Mradu Gupta is a West Bengal Ayurvedic Health Service Cadre or West Bengal Ayurvedic Education Service Cadre?
6. If the charge of the head of the Institution is temporarily/permanent handed over to any West Bengal Ayurvedic Health Service Cadre is not the violation of the West Bengal State Ayurvedic Health Services Act, 2002
7. If the head in charge of the institute is governed by West Bengal Ayurvedic Health Service Cadre in the way of conferring the charge is it not the discrimination to the senior most professor like Prof. Sukumar Ghosh, alike professors or other faculty members like Dr. Pradyut Bikash Kar Mahapatra of the academics?

Please provide me the details including name, designation and email id of the first appellate authority as per the provision of RTI Act- 2005.

Attachments-

1. Court Fees of Rs 10 with number -

Thanking you

*Abichal Chattopadhyay*  
(Signature with date)  
26/07/2023

Prof. Abichal Chattopadhyay, Former Professor & Fellow, National Academy of Ayurveda, Govt. of India

Address -

10 Rash Bihari Ghoshal Lane, Salkia, Howrah, PIN - 711106

Contact number (Optional) - 9830188328, Email - abichalchattopadhyaya@gmail.com

*Abichal Chattopadhyay*  
26/07/2023

Date: 26/07/2023

**From:**  
Prof. Abichal Chattopadhyay  
Fellow, National Academy of Ayurveda, Govt. of India  
10 Rash Bihari Ghoshal Lane, Salkia, Howrah, PIN – 711106  
Mob. 9830188328 Email – abichalchattopadhyaya@gmail.com

**To**  
The Appellate Authority  
H&FW Department, Government of West Bengal  
Swasthya Bhawan, Block-GN-29, Sector-V,  
Salt lake, Kolkata – 700091

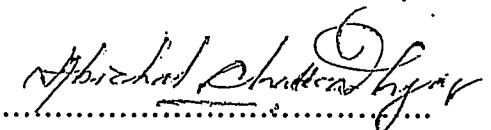
**Sub.** Regarding No Response against my RTI application dated 15.06.2023 and corresponding letter no. HF/O/GA/~~572~~<sup>1985</sup>/3A-247/2023 dated 21.06.23

**Sir,**

In response to the above cited references No issued by the Assistant Secretary & SPIO, Department of Health & Family Welfare, G.A. Branch, Swasthya Bhawan, I have to inform you that no reply has yet been received from the end of the addressee.

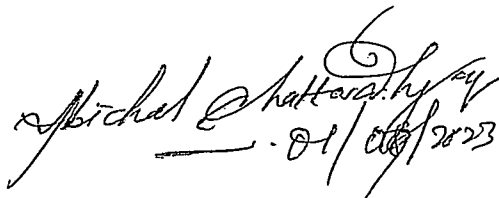
Therefore, may I request you to take a necessary action for the earliest reply of my RTI.

Thanking you

  
Abichal Chattopadhyay

**Enclosures:**

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1. Letter no. HF/O/GA/~~572~~<sup>1985</sup>/3A-247/2023 dated 21.06.23
  2. RTI application made by me on 15.06.23

  
- 01/08/2023

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**Government of West Bengal**  
**Department of Health & Family Welfare**  
**G.A. Branch**  
**Swasthya Bhawan; GN-29: Sector-V**  
**Salt Lake City; Kolkata-700091**

No:-HF/O/GA/1985/3A-247/2023

Dated, Kolkata 21.6.23

From:-

The Assistant Secretary & SPIO

to the Government of west Bengal, Department of H.&F.W.

To:-The Director of Ayurveda & SPIO, Swasthya Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata 700091

Sub:-Transfer of RTI application dated 15.06.23 filed by Shri Abichal Chattopadhyay under Section 6(3) of RTI Act,2005

In pursuance of provision of Section 6(3) of the RTI Act,2005, I am directed to transfer the original application as received from Shri Abichal Chattopadhyay for its disposal as the information sought for by the applicant is closely connected with the functioning of your office.

In case the requested information does not pertain to your department or does not fall under your jurisdiction, the application may kindly be further transferred to the appropriate information officer directly under intimation to the applicant.

Enclosed:- As stated.

*SPM*

Assistant Secretary & SPIO

No:-HF/O/GA/1985/3A-247/2023

Dated, Kolkata 21.6.23

Copy forwarded for information to:-

- ✓ 1) Shri Abichal Chattopadhyay, 10, Rash Bihari Ghoshal Lane, Salkia, Howrah, Pin- 711106, W.B.

*SPM*

Assistant Secretary & SPIO

*Abichal Chattopadhyay*  
21/06/2023

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Government of West Bengal  
Department of Health & Family Welfare  
G.A. Branch  
Swasthya Bhawan; GN-29: Sector-V  
Salt Lake City; Kolkata-700091

No:-HF/O/GA/<sup>2460</sup>/3A-247/2023

Dated, Kolkata 31/7/23

From:-  
The Senior Special Secretary & Appellate Authority  
to the Government of west Bengal

To:-The Director of Ayurveda & SPIO, Swasthya Bhavan, Salt Lake, Kolkata 700091

Sub:- Appeal preferred by Shri Abichal Chattopadhyay dated 26.07.23 under Section 19(1) of RTI Act,2005

Please find enclosed herewith the Appeal petition dated 26.07.23 by Shri Abichal Chattopadhyay alongwith its enclosures. It appears from the said transferred petition that the appellant has not received any reply within the stipulated timeframe. In this connection you are advised to furnish specific and complete information, if not exempted from disclosure, as sought for in the original application to the appellant positively by 15.08.23 with a copy to the undersigned.

Enclosed:- As stated.

*Senneil*  
31/7/23

Senior Special Secretary & Appellate Authority

No:-HF/O/GA/<sup>2460</sup>/3A-247/2023

Dated, Kolkata 31/7/23

✓ Copy forwarded for information to:-

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*Senneil*  
31/7/23

Senior Special Secretary & Appellate Authority

*Abichal Chattopadhyay*  
31/09/2023

Government of West Bengal  
Department of Health & F. W.  
Directorate of Ayurveda  
"Swasthya Bhawan" Sector-V  
GN-29, Salt Lake City  
Kolkata - 700 091.

No. DAY/ /2023

Dated, Kolkata, the 2023

From: The Director of Ayurveda,  
Swasthya Bhawan, Kolkata-91

To  
The Principal, IPGAE&R at SVSP, Kolkata

Ref:-HF/O/GA/1985/3A-247/2023 dated 21.06.2023

Sub:- RTI application dated 15.06.2023 of Dr. Prof. Abichal Chattopadhyay regarding  
information under RTI Act, 2005.

Enclosed please find herewith a copy of the letter under RTI Act, 2005, which is self explanatory. You are requested to meet up the queries which are related to your office and send the same to this office within 2(Two) days from the date of receipt hereof to enable the office of the undersigned to reply.

This may kindly be treated as very urgent.

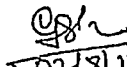
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Director of Ayurveda  
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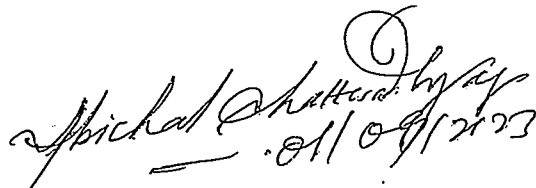
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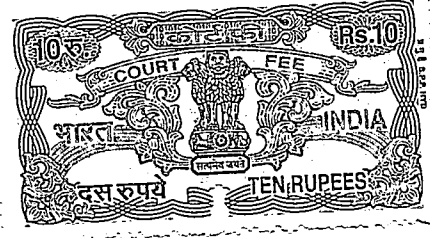
Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to :-

1. The Assistant Secretary & SPIO, G.A. Branch, Govt. of West Bengal.
2. The Superintendent, IPGAE&R at SVSP, Kolkata
3. Dr. Prof. Abichal Chattopadhyay.
4. Office Copy

  
02/08/23  
Director of Ayurveda  
Govt. of West Bengal

  
01/09/2023

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- 1) Name of the Applicant: Prof. Abichal Chattopadhyay
- 2) Address: 10, Rash Behari Ghosal Lane, Salkia, Howrah, PIN- 711106,  
Contact – 9830188328, Email – abichalchattopadhyaya@gmail.com
- 3) Date of filing of application for information under RTI Act: Duly self-attested copy is enclosed herewith (enclosure a)
- 4) Name of State Public Information Officer / State Assistant Public Information Officer to whom the application was made and address: Shri Subhas Chandra Poddar, Address- Block- GN – 29, Sector – V, Salt Lake Swasthya Bhawan, Kolkata - 700091
- 5) Gist of the information sought for: To provide the information against my RTI application made on 15/06/2023 and to comply the reply of the respective letters ref. no. HF/O/GA/2460/3A-247/2023 dated 31.07.2023 (issued by the senior special secretary and appellate authority, G.A branch Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of West Bengal), DAY/689/2023/1(4) dated 02.08.2023 (issued by the Director of Ayurveda, AYUSH branch Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of West Bengal) (relevant papers enclosed herewith)
- 6) Have you received any response / information?  
: Yes, duly self-attested received copy is enclosed herewith in enclosure d.
- 7) Decision of the 1<sup>st</sup> Appellate Authority, if any, including number and date of the order:  
Decision of the 1<sup>st</sup> Appellate authority: to furnish specific and complete information, if not exempted from disclosures, as sought for in the original application to the applicant positively by 15.08.2023  
No:- HF/O/GA/2460/3A- 247/2023  
Dated, Kolkata 31.07.23
- 8) Grounds for 2nd appeal and the relief sought (specify): as the concerned authority did not comply the relevant reply of the letter ref. no. HF/O/GA/2460/3A- 247/2023 of the 1<sup>st</sup> appellate authority and subsequently as no response has yet been received by me from the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> appellate authority in respect to his letter no HF/O/GA/2460/3A- 247/2023, what action is the commission taking to ensure that it secures a specific and appropriate response.
- 9) If 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal is filed after 90 days from the date on which the decision of the 1<sup>st</sup> Appellate Authority was received or after 135 days from the date of filing of the 1<sup>st</sup> appeal, explain the reasons for the delay: NA

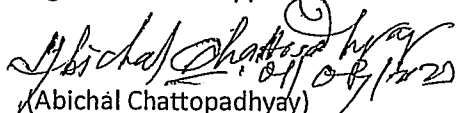
*Abichal Chattopadhyay*  
31/07/2023

I, Abichal Chattopadhyay son of Madhu Sudan Chattopadhyay aged 62 years being an Indian citizen do hereby solemnly affirm that the statements made herein are true to my knowledge based on records and the rest are my submissions to the Hon'ble West Bengal Information Commission.

Place: Kolkata

Date: 01/09/2023

Signature of the appellant

  
(Abichal Chattopadhyay)

Enclosure: -

- a) Self attested copy of RTI application; (Page-2)
- b) Self attested photocopy of proof of RTI fee payment or of BPL status; (Page-2)
- c) Self attested copy of 1<sup>st</sup> appeal; (Page-3)
- d) Self attested copy of all communications / replies received from the public authorities in connection with the instant RTI application; (Page 4 - Page 6)
- e) 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the format as above. (Page 7 - Page 8).



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**Email****State Chief Information Commissioner West Bengal**

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**Hearing on 18-11-2025**

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**From :** State Chief Information Commissioner West Bengal  
<scic-wb@nic.in>

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**Subject :** Hearing on 18-11-2025

**To :** ayush bhawan <support-moayush@nic.in>

**Cc :** abichalchattopadhyaya@gmail.com

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**RTI Applicant** : Shri Abichal Chattopadhyaya  
**Public Authority** : Department of Health and Family Welfare  
**Date of RTI Application** : 15.6.2023  
**Date of 1<sup>st</sup> Appeal** : 26.7.2023  
**Date of 2<sup>nd</sup> Appeal** : 01.9.2023  
**Date of hearing** : 18.11.2025

**(Appeal No. 104990 of 2025 under the Right to Information Act, 2005)**

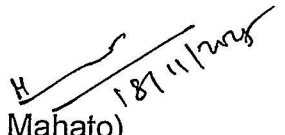
**Appellant** : Shri Abichal Chattopadhyaya

**SPIO** : Director of Ayurveda, Department of Health and Family Welfare

**Decision:**

Both the appellant and the SPIO of the case remained absent for the hearing.

2. Issue show cause notice to the SPIO as to the reason of his absence from hearing today in spite of prior notice from the Commission. It also appears that no prior intimation has been received from the SPIO regarding his absence from the hearing. The show cause notice of the SPIO is returnable within 4 (four) weeks from the date of issue of this order.
3. The matter will be taken up further once the reply to the show cause notice from the SPIO is received or expiry of 6 (six) weeks, whichever is earlier.
4. Let authenticated copies of the order be forwarded to all concerned.

  
(Dr. Mriganka Mahato)  
State Information Commissioner  
West Bengal

No. 6226 - WBIC/RTI/A/104990/1146/2025

Date: 19.11.2025

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2. The First Appellate Authority, Director of Ayurveda, Department of Health and Family Welfare, "Swasthya Bhawan", GN-29, Sector-V, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700091
3. ABICHAL CHATTOPADHYAY, Fellow, National Academy of Aurveda, Govt. of India, 10, Rash Bihari Ghoshal Lane, Salkia, Dist. - Howrah, Pin - 711106, West Bengal, HOWRAH, 711106

  
Law Officer & Joint Registrar  
West Bengal Information Commission

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GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL  
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DIRECTORATE OF AYURVEDA  
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Memo No. DAY/ 973 /2025

Date: 25/11/2025

**From : The Director of Ayurveda**  
**Directorate of Ayurveda, Swasthya Bhawan**

**To : Dr. Mriganka Mahato**  
**Hon'ble State Information Commissioner, West Bengal**  
**West Bengal Information Commission**  
**Khadya Bhaban**  
**11A, Mirza Ghalib Street, Kolkata - 87.**  
Email ID : [scic-wb@nic.in](mailto:scic-wb@nic.in)

Sir,

The decision in relation to Appeal No. 104990 of 2025 under Right to Information Act, 2005 dated 18/11/2025 has been received by my office on 24/11/2025 (copy enclosed).

From the decision, I came to know that a hearing was scheduled on 18/11/2025 at the O/o the Hon'ble State Information Commissioner, West Bengal, where I remained absent without any prior intimation and the Commission was pleased to issue a show cause notice to the SPIO as to the reason of absence.

In this relation, I would beg to inform you that, no communication was received by me or my office regarding the intimation of the aforesaid hearing in the matter of Dr. Abichal Chattopadhyay (neither hard copy nor email) from the West Bengal Information Commission. Had I been received any communication, I would attend the hearing. My absence may be considered in the aforesaid context as being unintentional.

In the event of receipt of any communication over email (in the aforementioned email) or receipt of any hard copy of intimation of such, I shall attend the hearing without fail, Sir.

With regards,

Encl: as stated above

No. DAY/ 973 /2025

Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to:

1. The First Appellate Authority, Department of Health & Family Welfare, "Swasthya Bhawan", GN-29, Sector-V, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700091.
2. Office Copy / Guard File.

Yours faithfully,

**Director of Ayurveda**  
**West Bengal**

Director of Ayurveda  
Directorate of Ayurveda  
Health & Family Welfare Department  
Government of West Bengal  
Date: 25/11/2025

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## Hearing on 07-01-2026

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Cc "abichalchattopadhyaya"<abichalchattopadhyaya@gmail.com>

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