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* **IN THE HIGH COURT OF DELHI AT NEW DELHI**

+ W.P.(C) 10287/2016, CM No. 40530/2016

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIEAL WELFARE
AND ANR

..... Petitioners

Through: Mr. Shashank Tiwari and Ms. Sukriti
Ghai, Advs.

versus

CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION
AND ANR

..... Respondents

Through: Respondent no.2 in person.

CORAM:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE V. KAMESWAR RAO

ORDER

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31.07.2019

The challenge in this writ petition is to the order dated February 11, 2016 passed by the CIC imposing a penalty of Rs.30,000/- on the petitioners. The only submission made by the learned counsel for the petitioners is, the information as sought for by the respondent no.2 was delayed as PIO was on election duty. There is no dispute that one Anjum Masood, DD (Admn.I) was holding the additional charge of PIO when the PIO was on election duty. There is no justification for the person holding the additional charge not to give the information as sought for by the respondent no.2.

In view of the above, the CIC has rightly directed the payment of Rs.30,000/- for the delay in furnishing the information, I do not see any merit in the petition.

The petition is dismissed.

CM. No. 40530/2016

Dismissed as infructuous.

V. KAMESWAR RAO, J

JULY 31, 2019/jg