

File No.- M-11027/103/2025-MoC
Government of India
Ministry of Cooperation
(Office of the Appellate Authority and
Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies)

9th Floor, Tower 'E', World Trade Centre,
Nauroji Nagar, Safdarjung Enclave,
New Delhi 110029.

Interim **ORDER**

An appeal dated 08.07.2026 was filed by IFFCO under Section 85A(3) of the MSCS Act, 2002 read with Rule 30J of the MSCS Rules, 2002, against the Co-operative Ombudsman's Order dated 12.06.2026 directing IFFCO to furnish the information sought by Shri Nakul Vilasrao Kadu within 30 days and submit a compliance report.

2. The appeal was considered by this Authority and an Order dated 09.09.2026 was passed. Subsequently, it was noticed that the Ombudsman's Order dated 12.06.2026 had arisen from an appeal under Section 106(4) against the CIO's refusal to furnish information. Section 106(4) provides that the decision of the Co-operative Ombudsman in such appeal shall be final and binding.

3. Accordingly, a threshold issue arose as to whether an appeal under Section 85A(3) is maintainable against an order passed by the Ombudsman under Section 106(4), and consequently, whether this Authority had jurisdiction to entertain and decide the appeal.

4. Therefore, without expressing any final opinion on maintainability or jurisdiction, the Order dated 09.09.2026 was recalled to enable determination of the aforesaid jurisdictional issue. The recall was not to be treated as a review/reconsideration of the merits, and all contentions of the parties were kept open.

5. The matter was taken up on 29.09.2026 before this Authority. During the hearing, it was clarified that the issue regarding maintainability/jurisdiction had been noticed Suo-motu by this Authority from the record and had not been raised by the Respondent. Learned counsel appearing for the Appellant, IFFCO, sought further time to place its objections/written submissions on the aforesaid jurisdictional issue. The request was considered and allowed. Accordingly, IFFCO was directed to file its objections/written

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submissions on or before 09.10.2026, with an advance copy to the Respondent. The matter is fixed for final hearing on 12.10.2026 at 4:30 PM.

Ordered accordingly.

Dated: - 06.10.2026



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(Shiv Pal Singh)

**Appellate Authority and
Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies**

To,

1. The MD, Indian Farmers Fertilizers Cooperative Limited, IFFCO Sadan, C-1, District Centre, Saket Place, New Delhi 110017. Email ID- tarunbhargava@iffco.in
2. Shri Nakul Vilasrao Kadu, A/P: Tisgaon Pravara, Tal: Rahata, Dist: Ahilyanagar, Maharashtra 413712.

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