

BEFORE THE ORISSA INFORMATION COMMISSION

BHUBANESWAR

Present: Hon'ble Shri D.N.Padhi, SCIC

Date: 13th January,2009

Complaint Case No.20/2007 and 590/2007

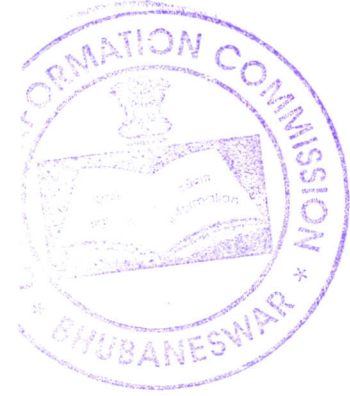
Braja Kishore Das,
Vill/PO-Balichandrapur,
Jajpur district.....Complainant

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Public Information Officer,
School and Mass Education Department,
Government of Orissa,
Secretariat,
Bhubaneswar.....Opposite Party

Decision

1. Complainant is absent on repeated calls. The same cannot be condoned this time under Rule 9(2) of the Orissa Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2006 as his presence in person was felt necessary to clarify his information needs indicated in his three applications filed before the State Commission. Shyam Sundar Singh, Under Secretary to Government, School and Mass Education Department-cum-PIO is present. Heard and perused the case record.
2. This case was earlier heard on 04.09.2007, 09.01.2008, 08.04.2008, 19.06.2008 and 09.09.2008.(The Complainant was absent on 19.06.2008 and 09.09.2008) It reveals from the case record that the Complainant had filed three petitions in the State Commission against the same PIO relating to the same subject. Hence they were clubbed together and heard analogously.
3. In obedience to the orders of the State Commission, the PIO had submitted the chronological date chart on the last date i.e. 9.9.2008 clearly explaining the position, which was accepted on that date by the State Commission.



Since the Complainant was absent the State Commission did not wish to dispose of the case relying on the submissions of the Opposite Party only and with reference to documents. Therefore, the Complainant was provided a last and final opportunity to have his say in the matter vide orders dated 09.09.2008 but he failed to appear today despite repeated notices sent to him.

4. From the above discussed facts it can be reasonably inferred that the Complainant has received all the available information and thus no longer interested to appear before the State Commission so as to pursue the case. Hence the case is disposed of and closed. Inform the Complainant.

Pronounced in open proceedings

Given under the hand and seal of the State Commission, this 13th day of January, 2009.


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13.1.09