

**BEFORE THE ORRISA INFORMATION COMMISSION  
BHUBANESWAR**

**Present:- :- Prof. Radhamohan, SIC**

**Dated:- 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2006**

**Complaint Case No.106/2006**



Sri Kunja Bihari Sahu,  
S/o-Late Kalandi Sahu,  
Vill-PO-Kapila,  
Block-Binjharpur,  
Jajpur District.....Complainant

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Sarpancha-cum-Public Information Officer,  
Kapila Grama Panchayat,  
Block-Binjharpur  
Jajpur District.....Opposite Party

**Decision**

1. Complainant is absent but in view of his statutory option under Rule 9(2) of the Orissa Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2006 his absence is codoned and hearing of the case is taken up on merit. The PIO and Sarpanch of Kapila Gram Panchayat are present. Heard the Opposite Parties.
2. It reveals from the record that the Complainant filed his application in form 'A' u/S 6 of the RTI Act, 2005 (Act for short) before the Sarpanch on 15/05/06 who is not the designated PIO of the Panchayat. One Sri Dinabandhu Ojha who is also present today before the State Commission is the PIO for Kapila Gram Panchayat. Thus it is clear that the Complainant has knocked at a wrong door.
3. The PIO Sri Ojha submits that no sooner he got the notice of this case he searched for the application dated 15/05/06 filed by the Complainant and supplied the information to him on 09/09/06. The PIO further submits that the receipt executed by the Complainant on 09/09/06 is now available in his Panchayat, the

copy of which he shall furnish for perusal of the State Commission within 7 days.

4. Considering the fact that the information has been provided to the Complainant who has filed the application before the Sarpanch, the case of the Complainant is disposed of with a direction to the PIO Sri Ojha to furnish the copy of the receipt executed by the Complainant on 09/09/06 indicating acceptance of information by him.

**Pronounced**

Given under the hand and seal of the State Commission, this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

*Narhanhu*

SIC

