

BEFORE THE ORISSA INFORMATION COMMISSION

BHUBANESWAR

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

Date: 8th April, 2008

Complaint Case No. 952/2007

Mukunda Rana,
At-Routopada,
P.O.-Belapadapatna,
Via-Gania,
Nayagarh District Complainant

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Public Information Officer,
Nayagarh Collectorate,
Nayagarh District Opposite Party

Decision

1. Complainant Mukund Rana is absent. The same is condoned under Rule 9(2) of the Orissa Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2006. Umakant Bal, PIO, District Project Coordinator (DPC for short), Sarva Sikhya Aviyan (SSA for short) Nayagarh and Sadananda Tripathy, PIO, Nayagarh Collectorate are present. Heard. Perused the case record.
2. Complainant had sought information in form A application dated 04/04/07, filed with the PIO, Nayagarh Collectorate regarding recruitment of Sikhya Sahayaks in December, 2006 in Gania Block. The PIO, Nayagarh Collectorate submitted that as the subject matter of the information related to the DPC, SSA, Nayagarh the said application was transferred under Section 6 (3) of the RTI Act, 2005 (Act for short) to the PIO, office of the DPC, SSA, Nayagarh vide letter no.113 dated 05/04/07.
3. The case was last heard on 07/02/08 when the State Commission felt it expedient to call for the presence of PIO, DPC, SSA, Nayagarh before the



State Commission. Accordingly, notice was issued to him. He is present today and submitted that the Complainant had sought information regarding the appointment of his son Kamal Lochan Rana as Swechha Sevi Sikshya Sahayak in Gania Block. The Complainant it seems frequently visited the office and held discussions with him. He was informed that his son was likely to be appointed in the next phase of posting of Sikhya Sahayaks in Gania Block which would be during the first week of June, 2006. The PIO reported that, in the meantime, the son of the Complainant had been so appointed on 14/06/07. Consequently, on 26/06/07 the Complainant intimated the PIO, Nayagarh Collectorate his desire to withdraw the RTI application. The PIO submitted that there was no malafide intention in withholding any information but information as requested could not be supplied on time as the posting issue had not been finalised and the Complainant kept verbally informed from time to time. This plea was accepted.

4. In view of the fact that not only the information has been supplied, but the core intention of expediting his son's posting has been achieved, the case is disposed of and closed.

Pronounced in open proceedings

Given under the hand and seal of the State Commission, this 8th day of April, 2008.


Hon'ble SCIC

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