

**BEFORE THE ORISSA INFORMATION COMMISSION
BHUBANESWAR**

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

Date: 22nd January, 2008

Complaint Case No.449/2006

Tikeshwar Dhal,
Vill-Nalabandha,
Kaunshibahal,
Barkote,
Deogarh District.....Complainant

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Public Information Officer
Deogarh Collectorate,
Deogarh
Deogarh District.....Opposite Party

Decision

1. Complainant Tikeswar Dhal is absent. His absence is condoned in terms of Rule 9 (2) of the Orissa Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2006. Madha Munda, ex-PIO and Banamali Mahanta, PIO, Deogarh Collectorate are present. Heard. Perused the case record.
2. The case was last heard on 12/09/07 when the State Commission had directed the Complainant to hand over the form A application dated 26/10/06 to the PIO, Banamali Mahanta and the latter was directed to supply the information to the Complainant before 05/10/07. In obedience to the orders of the State Commission, PIO submitted that the remuneration of Swechhasevi Sikhya Sahayak (SSS for short) was initially delayed due to a policy change of Government, and also as the list of SSS at both the Block and DPO



level was not readily available. There were accepted by the State Commission as reasonable grounds. Meanwhile, the honorarium for the periods 2005-2006 and 2006-07 have been disbursed to the SSS with arrears and nothing was pending with the BDO for disbursement. The said fact was communicated to the Complainant vide letter no. 7114 dated 04/10/07. Ex-PIO, Madha Munda submitted that at no point of time the Complainant had approached him to submit the form A application. Although the request was to know when the honorarium would be given and who was responsible for the delay, as a happy development the issue was sorted out under the RTI Act, 2005.

3. In view of the above facts and circumstances and as no attributable delay is noticed, the case is disposed of and closed.

Pronounced

Given under the hand and seal of the State Commission, this 22nd day of January, 2008.


Hon'ble SCIC

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