

**BEFORE THE ORISSA INFORMATION COMMISSION**

**BHUBANESWAR**

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

**Date: 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2008**

**Complaint Case No.651/07**

Devadas Lima,  
At-Limaliguda,  
PO-Jaltar,  
PS-Puttasingi,  
Rayagada district.....Complainant

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Public Information Officer,  
Malkangiri Collectorate,  
Malkangiri district.....Opposite Party



**Decision**


1. Complainant Devadas Lima is present. Shubhranshu Mishra PIO, office of the Collector, Malkangiri is also present. Heard and perused the case record. This case arises out of complaint petition dated 28.05.2007.
2. The case was last heard on 1.5.2008. The PIO, Koraput Collectorate had informed the State Commission in letter no.945 dated 9.4.2008 that the subject matter related to Malkangiri Collectorate and they were not the appropriate Public Authority and that the form A application was not with them. On perusal of the letter of the PIO, Koraput Collectorate as indicated above, the State Commission were satisfied that the cause title of the case needed to be corrected by deleting the name of PIO, Koraput Collectorate described as the opposite party and impleading the PIO, Malkangiri Collectorate as the opposite party . Accordingly, notice, by speedpost, was sent to him on 14.05.08.
3. The PIO, Malkangiri Collectorate informed the State Commission today that they had intimated vide letter no.156 dated 08.02.07 the Complainant that information sought by him, in form A application dated 29.01.2007 was ready and after depositing a sum of Rs.9/- the same would be supplied to him.

This information was within the maximum stipulated time limit. But as the Complainant did not deposit the said amount no information has been given to him. The Complainant, on the other hand, submitted that he was not aware that he was asked to deposit any money.

4. However, the State Commission directed the Complainant to deposit the amount today with the PIO, Malkanagiri Collectorate and receive the information. During the hearing, the information as required by the Complainant was given by the PIO on payment of Rs.4/- (after deducting the postal charge of Rs.5/-).
5. As there is no initial delay in replying to the Complainant, no penalty is attracted. Hence the case is disposed of and closed.

**Pronounced in open proceedings**

Given under the hand and seal of the State Commission, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008.

  
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