

BEFORE THE ORISSA INFORMATION COMMISSION

BHUBANESWAR

Present: Shri Jagadananda, SIC

Date: 01st October, 2008

Complaint Case No 479 / 2007 and 472 /2007



Hemanta Kumar Panda,  
At/PO-Jaipatna (Pradhanipada),  
Kalahandi-766018,  
Kalahandi District.....Complainant

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1. Public Information Officer,  
Office of the Civil Supplies Officer,  
Bhawanipatna,  
Kalahandi District.
2. First Appellate Authority,  
Office of the Civil Supplies Officer,  
Bhawanipatna,  
Kalahandi District.....Opposite Parties

Decision

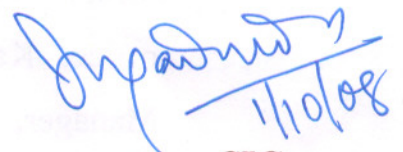
1. The Complainant Hemanta Kumar Panda is absent. His absence cannot be condoned as he was specifically informed by way of a fresh notice, to appear and clarify whether his information need are complete.
2. It is seen from the records that the Complainant had sought information in two form A applications dated 06/12/06, filed with the PIO, District Civil Supplies office, Kalahandi, Bhawanipatna and the other with the PIO, District Manager, Orissa State Civil Supplies Co-orporation Ltd., Bhawanipatna, Kalahandi District on the issue of obligation of public authorities under Section 4 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 (Act for short). The information sought appears to be identical in all respects in both the applications. Therefore, it

was decided to tagged the Complaint Case no. 479 /2007 and 472 / 2007 to be heard analogously.

3. In response thereto, the PIO sent him a copy of relevant Sections of the Act vide letter no. 2112 dated 26/12/06. During the earlier hearing dated 19/07/08, the ex-PIO, Shiva Prasad Das and the present PIO, Surya Narayan Panigrahi clarified that initially they were not clear about the specific information requirement of the Complainant and therefore supplied the relevant sections of the Act. They have hosted the self disclosure information related to of their public authority in their website and the Complainant has been informed accordingly.
4. Since the information sought for has been provided and the obligations of the public authority is stated to be complied as per the provision of the Act there appears to be no other issue to be dealt in this case.
5. The case was heard on 4 (four) different occasions and the last being 19/07/08 when the State Commission had decided to provide another opportunity to the Complainant to place his view point. Despite notice by speed post, he is absent. Presumably he has received all information and therefore lost interest in the case. Therefore, the case is closed and disposed of.

**Pronounced in open proceedings.**

Given under the hand and seal of the State Commission, this 01st day of October, 2008.

  
11/10/08  
**SIC**