

Rajendra Wijesinghe v. Agrarian Development District Office, Kalutara

RTICAppeal/39/2017 and RTICAppeal/61/2017 (*Appeal heard as part of the meeting of the Commission on 13.11.2017*)

Chairperson: Mr. Mahinda Gammampila

Commission Members: Ms. Kishali Pinto-Jayawardena

Mr. S.G. Punchihewa

Dr. Selvy Thiruchandran

Appellant: Mr. Rajendra Wijesinghe

Notice issued to: Designated Officer, Department of Agrarian Development District Office Kalutara

Appearance/ Represented by: Mr. Rajendra Wijesinghe

The Appellant was present. The Public Authority (PA) was absent.

The matter was called on 29.08.2017 as an in-person hearing between the Appellant and the PA, the Appellant was absent. Accordingly an order was made for the conversion of matter to documentary to see if matter should be considered as an in-person in future. A new number was assigned RTIC Appeal/ 61/2017. The PA was directed to call the Appellant for a discussion on the matter and to respond on or clarify the information requested.

On facts that were presented before the Commission at the consideration of the matter at the present hearing it was apparent that by letter dated 16.10.2017 the PA wrote and invited the appellant for an inquiry/discussion on the matter. However, it is noted that the Appellant has not formally responded to the PA's request.

Interim Order

The Appellant is directed to respond to the letter of the PA and to meet the relevant officers of the PA with the relevant documentation relating to this matter.

The matter is to be taken up again subsequent to the discussion on 15.12.2017 at 12.30 p.m.
