

S. Asokan v. Ministry of Home Affairs

RTICAppeal(Documentary Proceeding)/80/2017 - *Order under Section 32 (1) of the Right to Information Act, No 12 of 2016 and Record of Proceedings under Rule 28 of the Right to Information Rules of 2017 (Fees and Appeal Procedure)* – heard as part of a formal meeting of the Commission on 30.10.2018 and 06.02.2018

Chairperson: Mahinda Gammampila
Commission Members: Kishali Pinto-Jayawardena
S.G. Punchihewa
Dr. Selvy Thiruchandran
Justice Rohini Walgama

Director-General Piyathissa Ranasinghe

Appellant: Mr. S. Asokan
Notice Issued to: Neil de Alwis Secretary Ministry of Home Affairs

RTI Request filed on	24.07.2017
IO responded on	15.08.2017 (Acknowledgement)
First Appeal to DO filed on	08.08.2017
DO responded on	No response
Appeal to RTIC filed on	28.08.2017

Brief Factual Background:

The Appellant had by information request dated 24.07.2017 requested, pages 1 -113 of the Complaint File against him which had been sent to the Public Service Commission, pages 1- 10 of the complaint by the Divisional Secretariat and pages 1-23 of the inquiry report against him. The information officer (IO) had acknowledged the request on 15.08.2017. The Appellant had filed an appeal to the DO prior to the acknowledgment on 08.08.2017. The Appellant had thereafter filed an appeal to the Commission on 28.08.2017.

Matters Arising during Consideration:

The PA in response to the notices of the Commission, dated 14.11.2017 had stated that the information is to be obtained from the District Secretariat Jaffna.

Order:

Subsequent to the consideration of appeals RTIC 79/2017 and RTIC 81/2017 by the Appellant against two different PAs including the District Secretariat Jaffna, in which the information requested is identical, the Appeals were dismissed.

Accordingly this appeal too is dismissed.
