At the Right to Information Commission of Sri Lanka

N. Pugansrindiran v Zonal Education Office, Valikamam

RTIC Appeal (In-Person Hearing)/ [1399]/[2019]- Order adopted as part of the formal meeting of the Commission on 05/07/2019.

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)

Commission Member: Dr. Selvy Thiruchandran

Appellant: N. Pugansrindiran

Notice issued to: Zonal Education Director, Waligamam Zonal Education Office

Appearance/ Represented by:

Appellant – N. Pugansrindiran

PA – Gnanalingam Aathavan, DDE (Administration) Zonal Education Office Vallikamam

RTIC Appeal [1399]/[2019]

RTI Request filed on	01/05/2018
IO responded on	No response
First Appeal to DO filed on	28/05/2018
DO responded on	No response
Appeal to RTIC filed on	29/01/2019

Brief Factual Background:

The Appellant on 01/05/2018 requested that he be assisted by providing all the documents in his personal file after 05/07/2017.

As the IO failed to respond within the time period stipulated under the Act the Appellant on 28/05/2018 lodged an appeal with the DO. As the DO too failed to respond with the time period stipulated under the Act the Appellant preferred an appeal to the Commission on 21/08/2018 with respect to RTIC 805/2018 and 29/01/2019 with respect to RTIC1399/2019.

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Matters Arising During the Course of the Hearing:

The Commission observed that RTIC Appeal 805/2019 and RTIC Appeal 1399/2019 concerned the same information request. The PA informed the Commission that the information requested was already provided to the Appellant. The Appellant stated that the information requested was provided to him.

Order:

The Commission upholds the response of the PA that the information requested has been sufficiently responded to.

Order is conveyed to both parties in terms of Rule 27 (3) of the Commission's Rules on Fees and Appeal Procedures (Gazette No. 2004/66, 03.02.2017).

The Appeal is concluded.

The above order is confirmed and adopted at a meeting of the Commission held on 30/07/2019.