

M. M. Nibraas Mansoor v Ministry of Home Affairs

RTIC Appeal (**Documentary Proceeding**)/[514]/[2018]- **Order** adopted as part of the formal meeting of the Commission on **27/05/2019**.

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)

Chairperson: Mr. Mahinda Gammampila

Commission Member: Mr. S.G. Punchihewa

Commission Member: Dr. Selvy Thiruchandran

Commission Member: Justice Rohini Walgama

Appellant: M. M. Nibraas Mansoor

Notice issued to: Designated Officer, Ministry of Home Affairs

RTI Request filed on	26/03/2018
IO responded on	No response
First Appeal to DO filed on	21/04/2018
DO responded on	No response
Appeal to RTIC filed on	31/05/2018

Brief Factual Background:

The Appellant by information request dated 26/03/2018 requested the following information.

An extraordinary gazette notification of 2063/44 was released in the Moneragala District, Bibile Divisional Secretariat by the Ministry of Home Affairs. comprising of regulations to be followed in a religious institution

- 1. In order to release those regulations, what documents were submitted to the Ministry of Home Affairs?*

2. *Give copies of the documents that were submitted to the Ministry of Home Affairs in order to publish these regulations*
3. *If regulations need to be drafted and published in the gazette for religious programmes or festivals in our region, how should you make an application, through whom and to whom? What are the conditions regarding this?*

As the IO failed to respond within the time period stipulated under the Act the Appellant on 21/04/2018 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 31/05/2018.

Matters arising during the Course of the Hearing:

The PA by letter dated 14/01/2019 stated that the requested information was provided.

Order:

The Appellant is directed to express its satisfaction to the information provided by the PA to the Commission within one month of the receipt of the order.

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.