

J.H.M.R.B. Jayapathma v Ministry of Education

RTIC Appeal (In – person) 655/2018 (*Order adopted as part of a formal meeting of the Commission on 29.01.2019*)

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 Members: Ms Kishali Pinto-Jayawardena
Mr. S.G. Punchihewa
Dr. Selvy Thiruchandran
Justice Rohini Walgama

Director-General: Mr. Piyathissa Ranasinghe

Appellant: Mr. J.H.M.R.B. Jayapathma

Notice issued to: Municipal Commissioner, Municipal Council Anuradhapura

Appearance/ Represented by:

Appellant - absent

PA - absent

RTI Request filed on:	26.10.2017
IO responded on:	20.11.2017 (acknowledgment)
First Appeal to DO filed on:	15.01.2018
DO responded on:	No Response
Appeal to RTIC filed on:	26.02.2018

Brief Factual Background:

The Appellant had by request dated 2017.10.26 requested the following information.

1. *A list of names of the applicants who were called for the interview to select to the Faculty of Education, University of Ruhuna in 2015.*
2. *The list of names of those who were selected for training.*
3. *The list of names of those who were not selected and reasons for such.*
4. *Names of those who were selected out of those who were called for the interview.*

The Information Officer acknowledged the information request on 20.11.2017. However as the IO failed to respond on the substantive request the Appellant lodged an appeal with the DO on 15.01.2018. As the DO too failed to respond the Appellant preferred an appeal to the Commission on 26.02.2018.

Matters Arising During the Course of the Hearing:

Both parties were absent for the Hearing. The Appellant had by letter dated 23.01.2019 informed the Commission that he will be unable to attend the Hearing.

The Appeal was adjourned to the 9th of April 2019 for further consideration.
