CENTRAL INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Central Information Commissioner

CIC/BS/A/2016/000482

R B Patil v. PIO, Department of Post

RTI : 27.01.2015 FAO : 27.04.2015 Second Appeal : 20.01.2016 Hearing : 06.09.2017 Appellant : Absent

Public authority : Shri V.V. Chauhan, SPO

Decided on : 14.09.2017

FINAL ORDER

FACTS:

1. The appellant sought information on number of outsider postman at Jalgaon HO and since when they are discharging their duties along with their name, educational qualification, DOB; how many of them are the kith and kin of the existing employees and is there any rules specified for such appointments; photocopy of surety bonds or renewed surety bonds provided by outsider postman at the time of joining etc through nine points. CPIO provided point-wise information 25.02.2015. FAA vide his order stated that information on record be supplied within stipulated period. Being dissatisfied by the response received, the appellant approached this Commission.

2. The Commission's order dated 29.05.2017:

- 2. The appellant stated that the CPIO furnished only partial information without certifying such documents and did not comply with the FAA order. He also stated that he also deposited Rs. 7,096 as demanded by CPIO after five months of filing the RTI application. Yet he did not receive information on point no. 1,7,8,9 of RTI application till date.
- 3. The information sought could not have been denied in the first instance. It is wrong to collect huge amount after delaying the response by two months. As per law they cannot charge if they have delayed the response beyond one month. Hence the Commission directs the respondent authority to provide complete information after certifying the documents and return Rs. 7,096 to the appellant.
- 4. The Commission directs Mr. S.S. Parlikar, CPIO as on 27.01.2015 Asst. Director, Aurangabad; and Mr. B.B. Chauhan, CPIO to show-cause why maximum penalty should not be imposed against each of them for not furnishing complete

information and collecting an amount of Rs. 7,096 despite a delay of five months, before 25.06.2017.

5. The Commission directs the respondent authority to facilitate inspection of entire files and provide certified copies of selected documents, free of cost, before 25.06.2017.

Decision:

3. The officer stated that all the information was provided to the appellant on 22.06.2017. The Commission finds sufficient information is provided and there is no reason to interfere in this matter. Disposed of.

SD/-(M. Sridhar Acharyulu) Central Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

(Dinesh Kumar) Deputy Registrar

Copy of decision given to the parties free of cost.

Addresses of the parties:

- 1. The CPIO under RTI,
 Department of Post,
 Superintendent of Post Office,
 Jalgaon Division, Jalgaon,
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- 2. Shri R B Patil,
- 3. Mr. S.S. Parlikar,
 Asst. Director, Post Office,
 Office of Post Master General,
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 Aurangabad- 431001.