

GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA  
OFFICE OF THE STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION,  
MEGHALAYA::::SHILLONG

No.MIC/Complaint/37/2008/10,

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Dated Shillong, the 19<sup>th</sup> June, 2008

**ORDER**

**19-6-2008**

Perused complaint dated 30-5-2008 received from Shri Lucas Khongjee and Shri Numbar Mawpat both of Nongbah, Mawshiut, Khatarshnong, Sohra, East Khasi Hills.

The Complainants have made the above complaint against the APIO viz., the Inspector of Supply, Sohra Sub-Division, Sohra and not against the PIO viz., the Joint Director, Supply, East Khasi Hills, Shillong who supplied them the information.

The scheme of complaint as provided under Section 18 (1) of the RTI Act casts a duty upon this Commission to receive and enquire into the complaint from any person –

- (a) who was unable to submit a request to the PIO by reason that no officer has been appointed under the Act or because of the APIO refused to accept his/her application for forwarding the same to the PIO etc.
- (b) who has been refused to access to information requested.
- (c) who has not been given a response to a request for information or access to information within a statutory period of 30 days.
- (d) who has been required to pay an amount of fee which he or she considers unreasonable.
- (e) who believes that he or she has been given incomplete, misleading or false information.
- (f) in respect of any other matter relating to requesting or obtaining access to records.

Under the above provisions of the Law a complaint may be made against the public authority for failure to appoint the PIO/APIO or

against the PIO for any act of omission and commission as outlined under Section 18(1)(a) to (f) of the Act. Any complaint against the APIO is limited only on ground of refusal to accept the application for information for forwarding the same to the PIO etc. In the instant case, the complaint is made against the APIO for the information furnished to them which the Complainants believed to be incomplete, misleading, or false information. Since the information has been supplied under the seal and signature of the PIO, viz., the Joint Director, Food & Civil Supply, East Khasi Hills, Shillong, the Complainants if they had any grievance may either prefer an appeal before the First Appellate Authority or made a specific complaint against the PIO concerned.

In the instant case, the complaint filed against the APIO is not a valid complaint and hence rejected.

**( G.P.Wahlang )**  
**C.I.C.**

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Copy forwarded to:-

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2. Shri Lucas Khongjee, Nongbah, Mawshiut, Khatarshnong, Sohra, (Mobile) 9436343061.
3. The PIO viz., the Joint Director, Supply, East Khasi Hills, Shillong.

**( P.T.Rani )**  
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