

MEGHALAYA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, SHILLONG

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No.MIC/Complaint/71/2008/10,

Mr Binestar Ksanlah, R.K. Cottage, Wahingdoh, Shillong - Complainant

-Vrs-

P.I.O.-cum-D.I. of Schools, East Khasi Hills, Shillong - Respondent

30-10-2008

ORDER

The Complainant and the Respondent are both present in the Commission today.

The case of the Complainant is that he submitted an information request to the Respondent on 22-8-2008 on implementation of the Mid Day Meal Scheme in Raid Wahlyngdoh – Mawkria Upper Primary School, Mynriah L.P. School and Wahlyngdoh L.P. School, East Khasi Hills. The Respondent-PIO vide letter No. DI/RTI/1/2007/17803 dated 19-9-2008 while furnishing the information has failed to furnish full information on the names of the parents and students studying in the above Schools during the current academic year. In fact the Respondent-PIO furnished the number of students studying in the schools which information is not called for. This omission on the part of the PIO amounts to giving incomplete/misleading information and hence the complaint.

The Respondent-PIO admitted that the information supplied did not meet all the requirement of the Complainant on account of the fact that some of the information viz., the names of the students and the parents studying in the above schools are not available with the PIO though available with the concerned schools which are located in far flung area of the district. According to the Respondent-PIO, he had furnished the information in time but could not furnish the first part of the information requested because the information called for have not come to him in time. He apologized for asking the Complainant to collect the

names of the students and the parents directly from the concerned schools if the information is required immediately.

However, the Respondent-PIO mentioned that he had already received the information from the schools concerned and he is in a position to deliver the information to the Complainant.

Having heard by the parties, the Commission cautioned the Respondent-PIO that under the Law, it is mandatory for the PIO to furnish the information to the Complainant. Directing any requester to collect the information from any other authorities is not in accordance with the provision of Law.

Since the information has been received by the PIO he shall furnish it to the Complainant latest by tomorrow the **31-10-2008** free of cost.

Case is disposed of.

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

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Dated Shillong the, 30th October, 2008

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