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(File No.4310/G3/2007)

Shri.K.K.Sethukumar,
Kallullathil, Pazhakulam.P.O,
Adoor, Pathanamthitta Dist,
Kerala-691 527.



Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer and
Project Director,
Rural Development Department,
AHADS, Agali,
Palakkad Dist-678 581.



Respondent

ORDER

Shri.K.K.Sethukumar is the requester/appellant in this case. On the 10th of February, 2007, he had preferred a detailed questionnaire before the Public Information Officer, AHADS, Agali, Palakkad District. Copy of the request was marked as Ext A1. There were 18 main questions with many corollary and subsidiary questions under each one. These questions were mainly related to the administration of AHADS. But majority of questions were on personal information relating to the requester like his medical reimbursement claims, details on settlement of the claims etc. Rs.120/-, the required fee, was remitted by the appellant on 12.3.2007 and, accordingly, information was furnished to him for all the 18 items. But the appellant was not satisfied with the replies and, therefore, he had preferred an appeal before the Appellate Authority which was also not disposed off in his favour. Therefore, the second appeal was preferred before the State Information Commission, specifically alleging that he had got

incomplete and insufficient replies regarding question numbers 5,6,11,14,16 and 17. For the remaining portion, he had, however, received information.

The question that arises for consideration is whether the informant is entitled to get the remaining information even after the disposal of the first appeal?

Today when this matter was taken up, both the Appellant and Public Information officer, AHADS were present. They were heard in person. The Appellate Authority had not gone into the merit of the case while disposing off the matter. It was true that many of the information sought were personal information with no public interest at all. Even then, the appellant was claiming for particulars and records that were very much in the possession of the Public Information Officer. Therefore, the Commission after a careful examination had found that the appellant was entitled to receive the information especially the copy of the inspection report, working conditions of the Extension Officers of AHADS, qualifications of each officer, copy of the proceedings, whether there was a Liaison Officer and copy of the report of the financial wing of the Govt. of Kerala etc., These are available documents and the appellant is very much entitled for these. **Therefore, it is ordered that the Public Information Officer shall furnish complete information in respect of the items in question nos. 5,6,11,14,16 and 17 within a period of 10 days and report compliance.**

With these directions, the appeal is allowed in part.

Dated this the 22nd day of November, 2007.

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Secretary to Commission

