

## STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, KERALA PUNNEN ROAD, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM 695 039

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Proceedings of the State Information Commission, Kerala in
Review Petition No.RP13/2007/SIC
(File No.3972/SIC-Gen2/2007)

Maj (Rtd.) P.M. Ravindran, 2/18, 'Aathira', Kalpathy - 678 003, Palakkad.

Review Petitioner

- Appellate Authority/General Manager, District Industries Centre, Civil Station, Palakkad - 1.
- 2. The Public Information Officer, District Industries Centre, Civil Station, Palakkad - 1.

Respondents

## ORDER

The Review Petitioner herein was the Appellant in AP No.111/07/SIC filed before the State Information Commission. The review petitioner pleads to review the orders of the Commission dated 15.5.07 of the above appeal petition, on the ground that he is eligible for refund of Rs.14/- realized from him towards the cost of providing the information. The review petitioner has also sought for certain clarifications / interpretations on certain provisions of the Act, which according to the review petitioner are 'grey areas'.

- 2. The Commission examined the review petition in detail and made the following observations:-
  - (i) There was an apparent error on the face of the Commission order dated 15.5.07 in the appeal petition, in not ordering to refund Rs.14/- realized from the review petitioner towards the cost of providing the information.

- (ii) The Review Petitioner was given the information requested by him, as defined in section 2 (f) read with section 2 (j) of the RTI Act 2005. The Public Information Officer has also given all reasonable assistance expected to be given to a requester of the stature of the review petitioner (a retired Major of the Indian Army) under section 5(3) of the Act. He was given the opportunity to see the files including the Audit Report.
- (iii) In an appeal petition filed u/s 19(3), the State Information Commission shall consider the decision in the first appeal made under section 19(1) of the RTI Act. The Commission shall not issue clarifications of general nature in an appeal petition.
- 3. In the light of the above observations, the Commission hereby order the respondents to refund Rs.14/- to the review petitioner which was realized from the review petitioner, towards the cost of providing the information.

The review petition is disposed of as above.

Dated this, the 30th day of July 2007.