



RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT-2005

TAMIL NADU INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Case No. 10555/Enquiry/2009

Date of hearing at CHENNAI on 24.9.09

Present:

**Thiru S. Ramakrishnan, IAS (Retd)
State Chief Information Commissioner**

**Thiru G. Ramakrishnan, IAS (Retd)
State Information Commissioner**

Petitioner: Thiru A. Sethu
237 / 202 A, Periyar Pathai
Choolaimedu, Chennai.600094.

Public Authority The Public Information Officer,
o/o. Executive Engineer,
C.E.D.C. /South/TNEB/110 KV
Tidel SS Complex, Tharamani

Both the petitioner and the Public Authority were present.

The petitioner asked for 10 items of information on 29.11.07 from the Public Information Officer, Tamil Nadu Electricity Board, Executive Engineer's office, Tharamani, Chennai. He was given a reply on 4.1.08. Not satisfied with it, he appealed on 12.1.08 and got a reply on 1.3.08. Thereafter being dissatisfied with the reply on appeal also, he came to the Commission on his appeal dated 3.4.08 resulting in today's enquiry.

Out of 10 queries asked by the petitioner, he has not been given the rule copy under query No.1., the copy of the documents based on which electricity

connection has been given as per his query No.2 and the details asked for in query No.10.

The Public Authority on this averment stated that for query 10, there are 4033 cases which had to be taken out from 1,00,000 cases. Since their office has been bifurcated and re-bifurcated, this has been taking a long time. The Public Authority had no explanation to offer why query Nos. 1 and 2 could not have been answered within the time frame provided under the RTI Act. Query No.9 was total numbers only which would have been given easily.

During the enquiry the petitioner averred that he is interested really on with new connections given in Bhoopathy Nagar I and II Street in Sholinganallur. The Commission therefore rules that

- (a) the information which has not been supplied for queries 1 and 2 and the details with regard to Bhoopathy Nagar I & II Streets be supplied to him within 2 weeks of this order and reported to the Commission. The rest of the details asked for under question No.10 is disallowed under Section 7 (9) of the RTI Act as excessive information and as agreed by the petitioner.
- (b) The information shall be supplied free of cost as it has not been supplied within 30 days under Section 7(6) of the Act.
- (c) The personal explanation of the PIO concerned be filed before the Commission as to why the penal clauses of the Act should not be invoked for not answering the other queries.

Commission

Orders passed this day 15th October, 2009.
Under the Orders of the Commission.

The Public Information Officer,
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