

TELANGANA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

(Under Right to Information Act, 2005)

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Appeal No. 9468/SIC-Dr.Mohd.Ameer/2020

Dated: 13-06-2022

Appellant : **Sri LAVAKUSHA REDDY VURUKONDA,** Bhadradri
Kothagudem District- 507 128

Respondents : **The Public Information Officer (U/RTI Act, 2005) /**
O/o The Agriculture Commissioner & Director Department of
Agriculture, Ground Floor, D-block, Fathe Midan, Basheer Bagh,
Near Nizam College, Hyderabad-500001

The Appellate Authority (U/RTI Act, 2005) /
O/o The Agriculture Commissioner & Director Department of
Agriculture, Ground Floor, D-block, Fathe Midan, Basheer Bagh,
Near Nizam College, Hyderabad-500001

ORDER

1. **Sri LAVAKUSHA REDDY VURUKONDA,** H.No.2-94, Mondikunta Vil., Aswapuram mdl, Nellipaka Post, Bhadradri Kothagudem District- 507 128 has filed 2nd appeal dated 6-11-2020 which was received by this Commission on 16-11-2020 for not getting the information sought by him from the PIO / O/o The Agriculture Commissioner & Director Department of Agriculture, Ground Floor, D-block, Fathe Midan, Basheer Bagh, Near Nizam College, Hyderabad-500001 and 1st Appellate Authority / O/o The Agriculture Commissioner & Director Department of Agriculture, Ground Floor, D-block, Fathe Midan, Basheer Bagh, Near Nizam College, Hyderabad-500001.
2. The brief facts of the case as per the appeal and other records received along with it are that the appellant herein filed an application dated 01-07-2020 before the PIO requesting to furnish the information under Sec.6(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, on the following points mentioned in his application:

~~I would like to below mentioned details of PACS Mondikunta, Aswapuram Mandal Bhadradri Kothagudem District, Telangana- 507128 as recently we have heard there has been a fraud of 2 crore and earlier staff has been terminated.~~

Please provide the following information under section 2 (f) and 2 (j) of the RTI Act 2005:

1. Please provide the details of paddy purchase done by PACS Mondikunta from 2013 to till date.
2. Please provide the total amount paid to farmers and the actual amount received from the Millers by PACS.
3. Please provide the difference amount between the amount paid to Farmers and received from Millers.
4. Please provide the details of the weighing charges paid to the farmers as same was collected from the farmers at the time of weighing the paddy into paddy bags.

5. Please provide the total amount collected from the farmers per bag and the total amount paid back to the farmers after getting the same from government.

6. Initially PACS used to buy the paddy crop from the farmers saying the paddy was good and later used to say that the quality of the paddy was not good and paid very less amount to the farmers than the actual amount.

Please provide the total amount deducted that way from all the farmers.

7. In case the amount is deducted from the farmers amount please state whether any written declaration is taken from them or deducted without any intimation.

8. Please provide the total amount deducted by the PACS from farmers.

9. There has been a huge discrepancy in weight of the bags. Please share the details of how much quantity of paddy bags taken from the farmers and how much sent to the Millers. If there is a difference where the funds has been used.

10. How much funds received by the PACS by the government and how the funds has been utilised. Please share the complete details of fund usage.

11. Please provide the recorded reasons that the electronic machines are not used for the weighing of paddy bags.

2. However, there was no response from the concerned Public Information Officer (PIO) of the Public Authority to the RTI Application within the mandatory period of 30 days from the date of receipt of the application.

3. The Applicant, then proceeded to file a First Appeal u/s 19 of the Right to Information Act against the no-response of the PIO to the application.

3. The Public Information Officer has not furnished information to the appellant.

4. Since the appellant did not receive the information from the Public Information Officer, he filed 1st appeal dated 11-9-2020 before the 1st Appellate Authority requesting him to furnish the information sought by him u/s 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. As the appellant did not get the information from the Public Information Officer / 1st Appellate Authority even after (30) days of filing his 1st appeal, he preferred this 2nd appeal before this Commission requesting to arrange to furnish the information sought by him u/s 19(3) of the RTI Act, 2005.

The 2nd Appeal was taken on file and notices were issued to the parties concerned for hearing on 13-06-2022.

On 13-06-2022 the case is called. The Appellant is absent. The Public Information Officer / Deputy Director of Agriculture, O/o the Commissioner of Agriculture, Hyderabad is present. The 1st Appellate Authority is absent.

The Public Information Officer submitted that the 6(1) application was transferred to the Public Information Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Civil Supplies, Hyderabad on 21-07-2020 U/s. 6(3) of RTI Act, 2005 requesting to furnish sought information to the appellant as the matter pertains to Civil Supplies Department.

The appellant did not choose to attend the hearing nor filed affidavit offering his version.

The Commission directs the Public Information Officer, O/o the Commissioner, Civil Supplies, Hyderabad to furnish sought information to the appellant **within (15) days** from the date of receipt of this order and submit compliance to the Commission.

With the above direction, **the Appeal is closed.**

Dr. Mohd. Ameer
State Information Commissioner

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