

**MEGHALAYA INFORMATION COMMISSION, SHILLONG**

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**No. MIC/Complaint/114/2009/7,**

Shri Alester N. Diengdoh, Mawlai Umjaiur, Shillong - Complainant

-Vrs-

P.I.O., Directorate of Mineral Resources, Govt. of Meghalaya - Respondent

**ORDER**

**7-12-2009:** The Respondent-PIO, Shri S. Sohtun, Directorate of Mineral Resources, Govt. of Meghalaya and the complainant, Shri Alester N. Diengdoh are present in the Commission today.

The Respondent-PIO did not file any show cause but submitted that the information requested by the complainant has been dispatched to him by post vide letter No. DMR/R/RTI/2032/09/2392 dated 11-11-2009. Therefore, the information has been made available to the complainant within the statutory period of 30 days. A copy of the aforesaid letter is produced by the P.I.O. before this Commission. He therefore, contended that, the information requested for having been furnished to the complainant in time the question of delay and also the question of penalty does not arise.

The complainant submitted that he had received the information through post on 27-11-2009 after he had already preferred the complaint before the Commission. He also submitted that his Mobile Phone No. has been given to the P.I.O. for contact, however, the P.I.O. did not communicate to him that information was made ready for collection. The complainant also accepted that the information furnished by the P.I.O. is satisfactory.

Having heard both the parties, the Commission is of the view that there was no delay on the part of the P.I.O. and whatever delay in receiving the information by the complainant is due to purely postal delay for which the

P.I.O., cannot be held responsible. The Commission, however, urged upon the P.I.O. to use the contact No. when given to avoid delay in receiving the information by the complainant/appellant in future.

The submission made by the Respondent-PIO is accepted in the Commission and the question of penalty on him does not arise.

Case disposed of.

**( G.P.Wahlang )**

**C.I.C.**

**Memo. No. MIC/Complaint/114/2009/7-A Dated Shillong, the 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2009**

Copy forwarded to:-

- (1) The P.I.O., Directorate, Mineral Resources, Govt. of Meghalaya, Shillong for necessary action. This communication should be treated as a show cause notice to him in connection with the above case.
- (2) Shri Alester N. Diengdoh, Mawlai Umjaiur, Block – I, Shillong – 793008. (Phone No. 94361-16679).

**( S.F.Khongwir )**

Secretary,

Meghalaya Information Commission,  
Shillong.