

വിവരാവകാശ നിയമപ്രകാരം പരിശോധനക്ക് നൽകിയ രേഖകളുടെ പകർപ്പ് ആവശ്യപ്പെട്ടാൽ അത് നിഷേധിക്കരുത്.

6. The Commission had observed that, prima-facie there was complete violation of the RTI Act by the SPIO in disposing of the complainant's request and the SPIO's understanding of the Act was absolutely shallow. Once the records were allowed to be perused and, the information was available in the public domain, how could the application for copies of documents already perused, be rejected? The SPIO was living in the old bureaucratic mindset, which had no place anymore after the RTI Act had come into existence.

7. The Commission, therefore, directs the SPIO, to provide the information to the complainant within 7 days and, report compliance to the Commission thereafter. The Commission would also advise the concerned to make themselves familiar with the provisions of the RTI Act and apply them properly while dealing with requests/appeals received under the Act.

8. The complaint petition is disposed off accordingly.

Dated this, the 7th day of February, 2009.