NAGALAND INFORMATION COMMISSION OLD SECRETARIAT COMPLEX, POST BOX NO. 148 NAGALAND KOHIMA – 797001

No. NIC/Compln-11/2008 Dated Kohima, the 6th February, 2008

APPELLANT : Shri Md. Joynal Uddin,

C/o Firoz Manzil, South Ramnager

(PEC) Akhaora Road, Agartala – 799001

Tripura.

RESPONDENT : Department of Transport and

PUBLIC AUTHORITY Communication, Office of the District

Transport Officer, Mokokchung

Nagaland.

DATE OF HEARING - 6.2.2008

Present: 1. Public Information Officer and District Transport Officer,

Mokokchung, Nagaland.

2. Transport Commissioner and Appellate Authority.

The complainant is absent.

FACTS

The complainant Shri Md. Joynal Uddin C/o Firoz Manzil, South Ramanger (PEC) Akhaora Road, Agartala, Tripura, had submitted an application under RTI dated 25.8.2007 to the Public Information Officer, District Transport Officer, Mokokchung, Nagaland, seeking information anout genuineness of a particular driving licence along with the requisite fee. He submitted an Appeal under RTI dated 16.11.2007 to this Commission stating that he had not received the information sought till date of his appeal.

The Commission treated the same as a complaint under Section 18(1) of the RTI Act and issued notice to the complainant and Public Authority to appear before the Commission at 1330 hrs on 6.2.2008.

The Public Information Officer and District Transport Officer, Mokokchung and the Transport Commissioner and Appellate Authority appeared.

The Public Information Officer and District Transport Officer, Mokokchung submitted that the RTI Application dated 25.8.2007 was received in the office on 6.9.2007 but was not given or put up to the Public Information Officer till the notice from the Commission was received and information sought was sent to the applicant on 1.2.2008, a photocopy of which was given to the Commission today.

Before passing any order the Commission consider it necessary to have the following informations.

- The District Transport Officer (and Public Information Officer) Mokokchung is directed to inquire as to who were the officials/staff responsible for delaying the furnishing of information sought, and submit his report to the Commission within 10 working days. The report will also intimate whether the prescribed fee submitted by the applicants, and about which there was confusion, has been deposited under the appropriate Head of Account as prescribed by the Government under the Rules.
- The Transport Commissioner and Appellate Authority is directed issue clear instructions to all the Heads of Offices under his control to gear up the mechanism and sensitize their office to deal with RTI Applications.
- The Public Information Officer and District Transport Officer, Mokokchung is directed to intimate to the Commission within 10 working days whether their office has been sensitized to deal with RTI applications.

Pronounced in open proceedings today the 6th February, 2008.

Copies of this be given to the parties.

Sd/- **P. TALITEMJEN AO** Chief information Commissioner, Nagaland

Sd/-**REV.DR. W. PONGSING KONYAK**State Information Commissioner,
Nagaland

Sd/-**DR. KUHOI K ZHIMOMI**State Information Commissioner,
Nagaland.

Authenticated

(**ADINO**) Sr. P.S. to Chief Information Commissioner, Nagaland.