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Complaint No.CIC/BS/C/2014/000301

Complainant: Kamla Devi,
W/o Late Shri Arjun Prasad, Kumhar Toli,
Barmasiya, Deoghar, Jharkhand-814112

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
CPMG, Deptt. Of Posts,
O/o Chief Postmaster General,
Jharkhand Circle, Ranchi-834002

Date of Hearing: 09.03.2017

Date of Decision: 09.03.2017

ORDER

Facts:

1. The complainant filed RTI application seeking information regarding her application of 1995 for appointment of her son on compassionate ground, after death of her husband. The RTI application is not on record.
2. The CPIO responded on 11.04.2014 and 01.09.2014. The First appeal is not on record. The FAA responded on 25.06.2014. The complainant filed complaint to the Commission on 14.11.2014 on the ground that information should be provided to her.

Hearing:

3. Both the parties participated in the hearing through video conferencing.
4. The complainant stated that she has not received any reply from the respondent regarding her application of 1995 seeking compassionate appointment.
5. The respondent stated that the waitlist of applicants seeking compassionate appointment has been discontinued in the year 2001 itself and

now it is not possible to grant him compassionate appointment. This information should have been provided much earlier when a final decision had been taken in 2001 itself.

Discussion/ observation:

6. The respondent informed the complainant vide letters dated 01.09.2014 and 24/28.04.2014 about the transfer of her RTI application on 24/28.04.2014 to CPIO, Bihar Circle from CPIO, Jharkhand Circle stating that information regarding compassionate appointment is maintained in the concerned Circle and also that the Department of Posts follows the Rules/Instructions framed by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT). No information has been given to the complainant till date, with regard to the current status of her son's eligibility for compassionate appointment.

7. The respondent shall furnish the reply to the complainant indicating the up-to-date factual position, within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

8. The respondent shall show cause, within 30 days of this order, why penalty should not be imposed on him for not providing the sought for information within the timelines prescribed in the RTI Act

Decision:

9. The respondent is directed to take action as per paras 7 and 8 above.

The complaint is disposed of. Copy of the order be given to the parties free of cost.

(Radha Krishna Mathur)
Chief Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

(S.C. Sharma)
Dy. Registrar