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Appeal No. CIC/BS/A/2016/000301

Appellant: K K Balan Pillai
Postal Assistant, Kalavoor,
Alappuzha-688522, Kerala

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer
Supdt., Deptt. Of Posts,
O/o the Supdt. Of Post Offices,
Alappuzha Divn., Alappuzha-688012

Date of Hearing: 24.04.2017

Dated of Decision: 24.04.2017

ORDER

Facts:

1. The appellant filed RTI application dated 20.07.2015 seeking information regarding status of his medical bills as mentioned in RTI application etc.
2. The CPIO responded on 14.08.2015. The appellant filed first appeal on 15.09.2015 with First Appellate Authority (FAA). The FAA responded on 26.10.2015. The appellant filed second appeal on 01.02.2016 before the Commission on the ground that information should be provided to him.

Hearing:

3. Both the parties participated in the hearing through video conferencing.
4. The appellant stated that he should be reimbursed fully for his medical bills and no amount should be deducted on the grounds of CGHS applicable rates. Thus, Rs. 68,555/- is still payable to him. He further stated that his right leg was amputated and due to being physically handicapped he is unable to travel frequently to the concerned department.

5. The respondent stated that the appellant has availed the medical services of a private hospital. Therefore, they have reimbursed his medical bills as per rules, following CGHS approved rates.

Discussion/ observation:

6. The respondent should provide to the appellant (i) Approved CGHS rates, (ii) the calculation sheet for reimbursement and (iii) the complete notesheets of the processing of his medical bills, free of cost, within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Decision:

7. The respondent is directed to take action as per para 6 above.

The appeal 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