

**Proceedings of the Commission's meeting held on
27/9/2012 at 4.00 P.M. in the chambers of the SCIC.**

1. Action taken on the proceedings of the last meeting.
 - a. Secretary informed that a proposal has been submitted to the Government, for considering payment to be made to the outsourced employees, on the lines of payments being made in Revenue Dept. by KENOICS.
 - b. Secretary said that the Section Officers and Accounts Superintendent will be paid pre-paid mobile allowance of Rs. 220/- per month from the month of October, 2012.
 - c. Regarding Consumer Courts admitting cases relating to matters under RTI Act, it was informed that the Law Officer will take up the matter with the appropriate authorities.
 - d. As regards collection of details about publication of information under sections 4(1)(a) and 4(1)(b) by the Public Authorities on their websites, the Secretary explained the draft Input Formats prepared for this purpose.
Approving the Formats, the Secretary was directed to communicate them to all the Departments.

2. Pendency of cases.

Taking note of 13558 pending cases, the Commission discussed whether to continue hearing of cases in the light of the Supreme Court's order. The Commission also noted that the Central Information Commission and the State Information Commissions of Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Kerala and others are continuing with the hearings. It was decided that until further guidelines/clarifications are received either from Union Government or State Government the Commission would continue to hear cases. SIC-JSV sought clarification about the additional column indicated under the heading: "Postponed Cases" and suggested that there cannot be cases postponed as well as adjourned. As such he suggested that these cases be listed under adjourned.

Agreeing with the above view the programmer was directed to make suitable modifications.

3. Review of Finalisation of Cadre and Recruitment Rules.

SIC-JSV suggested that a comprehensive staffing pattern is to be thought of, taking into account the kind of work involved in the Commission. The number of posts, prescribed qualifications, etc., are to be recommended based on the type of work and work load.

It was decided that the Secretary should reformulate the draft proposals and bring up for a fresh round of discussion before sending to the Government and PSC.

4. Sanction of Special Pay to the staff working on deputation at KIC.

The Secretary brought to the notice of the Commission the sanction given by Government for special pay to the Staff on Deputation and on Contract basis.

5. Supreme Court Order regarding appointment of Chief Information Commissioner & Information Commissioners.

The Law Officer informed that he has sought an appointment with Advocate General, High Court of Karnataka on Saturday (29/9/2012) to discuss the matter.

6. Release of Central Government matching grants for construction of Commission's own Building.

The Secretary brought to the notice of the Commission that the DOPT, Govt. of India, has been waiting for approval and release of funds from the Planning Commission of India for release of Central Government matching grants for the construction of KIC's own building. Secretary was advised to move the Government to request the Hon'ble Chief Minister to write to the Deputy Chairman of Planning Commission, G.O.I. in this regard.

7. Other Subjects:

- a. The Secretary brought to the notice of the Commission that the Government of Karnataka has approved the Commission's proposal seeking release of membership fee of Rs. 1,00,000/- for the National Federation of Information Commissions, Hyderabad.

The Secretary was asked to take further necessary action in the matter.



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