

RTI URGENT

Government of Orissa  
Information & Public Relations Department

No. RTI-113/08 6468 /I&PR., Dated :- 17-2-09  
From

Sk. T. Ahamed, DLS(I)  
Dy. Director-cum-Dy. Secy. to Govt.

To  
The P.I.Os of All Government Departments

Sub : Acceptance of money orders/ IPOs/ Bank Drafts  
etc alongwith the RTI Applications of the  
Information Seekers under R.T.I. Act- 2005.

Sir,

In inviting a reference to the subject cited above I am  
hereby clarifying and also drawing your kind attention in this  
regard that, the Hon'ble " Commission " has opined in his verdict  
that, the money orders, IPOs, Bank Drafts etc. may be treated as  
cash and hence, the R.T.I. Applications of the Information Seekers  
may be accepted wherever the applicant has enclosed/attached/  
appended the above mentioned fee materials towards deposit of  
amount /cost/fee in shape of money orders, IPOs, & Bank Drafts  
etc. in addition to acceptance of cash and Treasury Challan  
thereto.

Rejection of the Application on the ground that the  
applicant has not deposited the amount/cost of the Application  
fee either in shape of cash/Treasury Challan as per instructions/  
Guidelines issued earlier is inconsistent with the Act as per the  
verdict of the Orissa Information Commission and the-refore will  
be liable to pay any imposed by the " Commission " under  
Section 19 of the RTI Act- 2005.

Yours faithfully

18-2-09  
Dy. Director-cum-Dy. Secy. to Govt.

Memo No. 6469 /I&PR., Dt :- 17-2-09  
Copy forwarded to the Secretary, Orissa Information Commission  
Block-I-I, Tosali Plaza, Bhubaneswar, O.S. for information and neces-  
sary action.

18-2-09  
Dy. Director-cum-Dy. Secy. to Govt.

Memo No. 6470 /I&PR., Dt :- 17-2-09  
Copy forwarded to All Branch Officers & DIOs/All Desk  
Officers/ All Section Officers of I&PR Dept. for information  
and necessary action.

18-2-09  
Dy. Director-cum-Dy. Secy. to Govt.

Contd....2

Memo No. 6471 /I&PH., Dated :- 17-2-09

Copy forwarded to the Information Officer, Reception counter (RTI Cell) Secretariat Building for information and necessary action.

*Received*  
*18-2-09*

Dy. Director-cum-Dy. Secy. to Govt.

Memo No. 6472 /I&PH., Dt :- 17-2-09

Copy forwarded to Guard file ( 5 copies) for information and necessary action.

*Received*  
*18-2-09*

Dy. Director-cum-Dy. Secy. to Govt.

6471  
6472

*H*