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File No: SIC/J/A/30/2015 Decision No: SIC/J/A/30/2015/193

Sh.Som Raj Complainant Absent

Block Development Officer, PIO Absent Kishtwar.

Jammu 28.09.2015

The Commission vide its decision No.SIC/J/A/30/2015/110 dated 25.06.2015 directed the PIO/BDO, Kishtwar to furnish the requisite information to the information seeker within two days free of cost and dispatch the same under a registered cover at the residential address given in the RTI application. The Commission received a representation from the information seeker on 09.07.2015 in which he has requested that the direction be issued to the PIO/First Appellate Authority for providing the required information free of cost. The Commission after receiving the complaint/representation from the information seeker directed the PIO/BDO, Kishtwar vide office No.SIC/J/A/30/2015/3097 dated 19.08.2015 to submit counter-statement to the Commission within seven days from the receipt of the notice for non-compliance of the order of the Commission. The Commission did not receive any response from the PIO/BDO, Kishtwar and the matter was listed for hearing on 28.09.2015. Both the parties have

failed to cause their appearance before the Commission on the date of vide office hearing. The Complainant was directed notice No. SIC/J/A/30/2015/4189 dated 10.09.2015 to remain personally present before the Commission on 28.09,2015 at 10.30 a.m. in order to substantiate his allegation for non-furnishing of information by the PIO/BDO, Kishtwar. The complainant has failed to cause his presence before the Commission; hence, the complaint is dismissed in default. The PIO/BDO, Kishtwar is directed to show cause why fine under Section 15 of J&K Right to Information Act, 2009 read with Section 32 Code of Civil Procedure, Samvat, 1977 may not be imposed upon him for his failure to file counterstatement and cause his appearance before the Commission on the date of hearing within two weeks from the date of receipt of this order.

The complaint for non-compliance is accordingly disposed of. Notice of this decision be given free of cost to the parties.

Sd/-**Dr. S.K. Sharma**State Information Commissioner

## Copy to the:

- 1. Sh.Som Raj, S/O Sh.Kunj Lal, R/O Watwara (Pakalan), Tehsil & District Kishtwar-182204.
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