



26 May 2021

The Information Commissioner
The Right to Access Information Commission
56 Kroo Town Road
Freetown

Dear Sir,

Request for information from the Ministries of Fisheries and Marine Resources and Lands, Housing and Country Planning in respect of a proposed harbour at Black Johnson beach

We write on behalf of the Institute for Legal Research and Advocacy for Justice (ILRAJ) and Namati Sierra Leone on the above subject. ILRAJ and Namati are non-governmental organisations working on public policy research, land rights and environmental justice, among others.

Consistent with section 2 of the Right to Access Information Act 2013, by letters dated 11 May 2021 and 14 May 2021, we requested information about the proposed harbour project from the Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources and the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Country Planning, respectively. Copies of the said letters and a copy of the Way Book showing receipt by the two ministries are attached for your reference.

To date, we have not received a response from either ministry. We, however, know that both have a maximum of 15 working days to respond to our requests. Should we not hear from them at the expiration of this period, we shall engage your commission to enforce the Right to Access Information Act 2013.

Any response may be served on us at Namati, 17B Murray Town Road, Freetown, or via email to sierraleone@namati.org.

Yours sincerely,

Basita Michael

Basita Michael (ILRAJ)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sonkita Cooteh".

Sonkita Cooteh (Namati)