

OFFICE OF THE
ASSAM STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
JONAKKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-39

Complaint Case No:	CCR.37.4/2014
Complainant :	Shri Bidyut Kumar paul Central Jail Silchar, Dist. Cachar, Assam
Public Authority:	Inspector General of Prisons, Assam
Heard by:	Shri Himangshu Sekhar Das, Assam State Chief Information Commr.
Complainant was Represented by:	Absent
Public Authority was represented by	Shri Bhupen Ch. Das, Asstt. IG Prisons, Assam Khanapara

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23.3.2015

The petitioner Shri Bidyut Kr. Paul is absent without any information or seeking leave of the Commission for his absence. The Commission's Assistant informed that the petitioner was also informed telephonically. The Public Authority is represented by the Asstt. Inspector General of Prisons & SPIO, Shri Bhupen Ch. Das. In the absence of the petitioner, the complaint case is taken up for hearing ex-parte.

The RTI applicant filed a petition dtd 7.10.13 before the SPIO in the office of the IG Prinsons seeking certain information. Having not received the required information within the stipulated time period of 30 (thirty) days, the RTI applicant filed a complaint petition on 1.1.14 before this Commission which is taken up for hearing today ex-parte.

The SPIO has made a written submission dtd 20.3.15 which is entered into the case records. It is seen from the submission that although the RTI application was addressed to the SPIO in the office of the IG Prinsons, the original RTI application was first received by the Superintendent of Central Jail, Silchar, who forwarded the same to the IG Prisons. Thereafter on 20th November, 2013, the SPIO of IG Prisons office wrote to the Superintendent, Central jail, Silchar that information sought for by the RTI applicant are not available in his office. This was followed by an appeal petition dtd 30.10.14 addressed to the IG Prisons. This was heard by IG Prisons on 17.3.15 and the order was passed on the same day directing the SPIO to furnish the

information. On the same day vide letter No. PRI.408/2014/8 dtd 17.3.15, the SPIO gave Shri Bidyut Kr. Paul, the applicant, the present address of Shri Kabindra Nath Sarma, retired DIG of Prisons. The SPIO submitted that on receipt of this information the applicant was satisfied. Although there is no confirmation of such satisfaction from the complainant, the Commission accepts the submission of the SPIO of the office of the IG of Prisons.

The IG Prisons is however, directed to be more vigilant in dealing with RTI applications, because his first reply to the RTI applicant dtd 20.11.13 is obviously false and misleading in the light of his subsequent letter dtd 17.3.15. IG Prisons is also directed to warn the concerned employees under his administrative jurisdiction against such lapses in future.

With the above order the complaint petition is disposed of.

(H. S. Das)
Assam State Chief Information Commissioner,
Panjabari, Guwahati

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Secretary & Registrar
Assam State Information Commn.

Memo No. CCR.37/2014/

Dtd. 23.3.2015

Copy to:

1. The Inspector General of Prisons, Assam, Khanapara, Guwahati-22 for information and necessary action. .
2. The SPIO in the office of the IG Prisons, Assam, Khanapara, Guwahati-22 for information.
3. Shri Bidyut Kr. Paul, Central Jail, Silchar, Dist. Cachar, Assam for information.
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
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