

**OFFICE OF THE ASSAM STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
JONAKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-37**

Appeal Case No: LPR.15/2012

Appellant : Sri Waris Alam Ansari

Public Authority: Shri Gaurav Bothra, IAS
Deputy Commissioner,
Lakhimpur, North Lakhmpur.

Heard by: Shri Himangshu Sekhar Das,
Assam State Chief Information Commr.

**Appellant was
Represented by** Absent

**Public Authority was
represented by** Sri Jagadish Prasad Brahma

O R D E R
23-4-2015

The second appeal petition case No. LPR.15/2012, LPR.16/2012, LPR.17/2012 and LPR. 18/2012 are taken up for hearing together as they relate to the same subject matter. The time for hearing was fixed at 11 A.M today for case Nos. LPR.16/2012, LPR.17/2012 at 11.45 A.M for Case Nos.LPR.15/2012 and LPR.18/2012. The Public Authority i.e., the Deputy Commissioner, Lakhimpur district was present at 11.A.M. The Commission waited for the petitioner till 12.15 P.M. In the absence of the petitioner Sri Waris Alam Ansari, all the 4 cases were clubbed together and taken up for hearing ex-parte.

The Deputy Commissioner has made a written submission vide his letter No. LDC.78/RTI/2015/1 dated 18-4-2015. In his written submission the Deputy Commissioner, Lakhimpur has stated that the subject matter of the 4 RTI cases is a land settlement proposal submitted by the Circle Officer of Bihpuria revenue circle in the year 2005. The proposal was placed before the Subdivisional Land Advisory Committee, North Lakhimpur in its meeting held on 28-2-2012 after filing of RTI petitions by the present appellant. The Deputy Commissioner has submitted a copy of the SDLAC North Lakhimpur's decision rejecting the proposal for settlement of land to Md. Saiful Ansari on the ground that the land proposed for settlement falls in tribal belt/ block and because Md. Saiful Ansari does not have Scheduled Tribe status.

The Deputy Commissioner further submitted that Sri Waris Alam Ansari was informed of the decision of SDLAC vide letter No. LDC.4/RTI Appeal case No.4/2011/1352 dated 24-8-2012.

It appears that the appellant has been filing more than one RTI application and subsequent appeal petitions on the same issue. From the written submission made by the Deputy Commissioner, Lakhimpur today and by his oral clarifications in course of todays' hearing, the Commission is of the opinion that the land settlement proposal submitted by the Circle Officer of Bihpuria circle in 2005 was placed before SDLAC North Lakhimpur in its meeting held on 27-2-2012 in pursuance of the RTI application/ appeal case and that the proposal was rejected by SDLAC for grounds stated above. As already mentioned above, the appellant was also informed by letter dated 24-8-2012 about this rejection.

However, as a measure of finality, the Commission directs the Deputy Commissioner, Lakhimpur to **communicate the present status of the land settlement proposal , enclosing a copy of the decision of SDLAC to the appellant Sri Waris Ansari within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order**, which was pronounced before the Deputy Commissioner.

With the above order the above mentioned 4 second appeal cases which were clubbed together stands dismissed.

**Sd/-
(H. S. Das, IAS) (Retd)
State Chief Information Commissioner
Assam**

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**Sd/-
Secretary & Registrar
Assam State Information Commission**

Memo No. SIC/ LPR.15/2012/

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1. The Deputy Commissioner, Lakhimpur, North Lakhimpur, for information & necessary action.
- 2 Sri Waris Alam Ansari, Appellant, Vill-Harmati, P.O- Laluk, Dist- Lakhimpur, for information.
- 3 Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
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Assam State Information Commission**