



**OFFICE OF THE
ASSAM STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
JONAKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-781 037**

Case No. : KAN.69/2012

Complainant/ appellant : Sri Indra Rongpher

Respondent : PIO, IJDP. WPDSCA, Karbi Anglong

Date of hearing : 16-09-2015

Complaint/ Second : Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd)
appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R

The petitioner Sri Indra Rongpher is present. The public authority to be represented by the SPIO in the office of the Project Officer, Watershed Development Project for Cultivation Areas WPDSCA is absent without information. The Commission takes up the petition dated 3-9-2012 and 10-9-2015 for hearing ex-parte.

The petitioner submitted that he is keen to get the information which he has sought for vide his original RTI petition dated 13-3-2012. The Commission therefore, taken up his complaint petition dated 3-9-2012 and second appeal petition for hearing and for passing appropriate orders.

From a perusal of case records, it is seen that the original RTI petition dated 13-3-2012 was addressed to Commissioner & Secretary, Hill Areas Department, Govt. of Assam, who transferred it under Section 6 (3) of the RTI Act to the Principal Secretary, Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council vide his letter dated 19-3-2012. On 18-6-2012 the Principal Secretary, Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council forwarded the original RTI petition to the SPIO and Project Officer of WPDSCA, Karbi Anglong, Diphu. But it seems that the Project Officer has not taken any action to furnish the information to the petitioner, nor did the Project Officer, WPDSCA appear for today's hearing.

In view of the above, the Commission passes the following orders :-

1. The Project Officer WPDSCA, Karbi Anglong , Diphu **shall allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant documents** sought for by him vide his RTI application dated 13-3-2012 and **take photo copies thereof free of charge, up to 50 copies and there-after on payment of Rs. 2/- for every additional copy, within 15 days** from the date of receipt of this order and shall **report compliance to the Commission within 15 days there-after.**
2. The SPIO in the office of the Project Officer shall show cause :-
 - a) **Explaining his absence in today's hearing**
 - b) **As to why penalty under Section 20 of the RTI Act shall not be imposed on him for his failure to act according to the RTI Act, 2005**

His written submission in respect of (a) & (b) above are to reach the Registry of this Commission **within 30 days** from the date of receipt of this order.

With the above order the petitions dated 3-9-2012 and 10-9-2015 are disposed of.

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

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Secretary & Registrar
Assam State Information Commission

Memo No. **KAN.69/2012 / -A**

16-9- 2015

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1. SPIO in the office of the Project Officer, Watershed Development Project for Cultivation Areas WPDSCA, Karbi Anglong, for information & necessary action.
2. Sri Indra Rongpher, Vill-Chirimokam, P.O- Donkamokam, Dist- Karbi Anglong for information.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office File.

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