

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

Case No. : KP (M).718/2013 Complainant/ Appellant : Sri Dulal Bora.

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Chief Engineer, Water Resource

Department, Chandmari, Guwahati.

Date of hearing : 24.12.2015

Complaint/ Second Appeal heard by : Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd),

Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 24.12.2015

The petitioner/appellant Sri Dulal Bora is absent. He prayed for deferment of the hearing due to a bereavement in his family. However, the Public Authority represented by Syed Altaf Hussain, the Deputy Chief Engineer of the Office of the Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department accompanied by Sri Aboni Kr. Borah, PIO and Accounts Officer, Majuli Water Resource Division, Garamur are present.

Since, it will be difficult for the PIO from Majuli to come again, the Second Appeal Petition dated 22.11.2013 is taken up for hearing ex-parte.

The Deputy Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department has made a written submission dated 23.12.2015 narrating the action taken by them on the RTI petition dated 04.07.2013. He stated that in response to the RTI Petition dated 04.07.2013, which was received in the office on 08.07.2013, some information was furnished to the petitioner vide letter dated 14.08.2013.

Thereafter, the petitioner filed the First Appeal Petition on 29.08.2013 before the Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department, Guwahati for non-receipt of any information.

The SPIO has stated that on 20.09.2013 has fixed for hearing of the First Appeal by First Appellate Authority (FAA) and Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department but the appellant did not appear.

From perusal of the original RTI petition dated 04.07.2013, it is seen that the petitioner wanted to know the following information – i) whether the Sonowal Kachari Embankment was constructed or repaired during January' 2003 to June' 2013 and ii) If yes, then he wanted information about date of advance work order, total sanctioned amount and a copy of report of technical committee. This information is admissible under the RTI Act, 2005.

This Commission therefore directs the SPIO of the office of Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department, Govt. of Assam to furnish the above information along with the copy of work order to the appellant/petitioner, within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

With the above order, the Second Appeal Petition is disposed of.

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

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Sd/Secretary & Registrar
Assam State Information Commission

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- 1. The SPIO, Office of the Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department, Chandmari, Guwahati, Assam Pin- 781003 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/The Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department, Chandmari, Guwahati, Assam Pin- 781003 for information.
- 3. Sri Dulal Bora, Kainadhara Tiniali, House No. 118, Khanapara, Guwahati, Dist- Kamrup(M), Assam, Pin- 781022 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

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