

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

Case No. : KP(M).441/2013

Complainant/ appellant : Shri Dulal Bora

Respondent : Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Assam

Date of hearing : 24. 12.2015

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

Appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 24.12.2015

The Petitioner/Appellant Shri Dulal Bora is absent. He prayed for deferment of the hearing due to a bereavement in the family. However, since the Public Authority represented by Shri Manjit Talukdar, SPIO and Joint Director, Agriculture accompanied by Shri Palashmoni Baruah, SDAO (Surveillance), Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara are present, the Second Appeal Petition dtd 20.6.13 is taken up for hearing ex-parte.

From perusal of the case records, it is seen that the Joint Director and SPIO has made a written submission dtd 24.12.15 stating that the required information was furnished to the Petitioner vide letter dtd 12.3.13 in response to his RTI petition dtd 2.3.13. Moreover it is also seen that vide letter dtd 14.5.13 Jt. Director of Agriculture and SPIO again informed Shri Dulal Bora, the Petitioner that the Jt. Director, Agriculture (Statistics) vide letter dtd 11.3.13 sent the required information to the Petitioner. In his Second Appeal petition dtd 20.6.13 the Appellant has only raised a question as to "why the neglect". As already mentioned, the information sent vide letter dtd 11.3.13 and 12.3.13 were within the stipulated period of 30 days. Therefore, there does not seem to be any further action to be taken in this regard. However, if the Petitioner is not satisfied with the information furnished to him, this Commission directs the SPIO and Jt. Director, Agriculture to allow the Petitioner to inspect the relevant office documents and records and take photocopies of relevant documents free of cost up to 25 photocopies and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2.00 for additional copy.

The Commission notes that the information sought for are matters of records, this being information on procurement procedure and agriculture statistics – crop- wise and district-wise, for the period from January, 2011 to 31st December, 2012.

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

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

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Secretary & Registrar
Assam State Information Commission

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Dtd. 24.12.2015

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO & Joint Director in the office of the Director of Agriculture, Govt. of Assam, Khanapara, Guwahati- 781 022 for information and necessary action.
- 2. Shri Shri Dulal Bora, Kaindhara Tiniali, House No. 118, Khanapara, Guwahati-781 022 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.

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