

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

Case No.	: KP(M)371/2013
Complainant/ appellant	: Sri Dulal Bora
Respondent	: Assam Legislative Assembly.
Date of hearing	: 04-01-2016
Complaint/ Second appeal heard by	: Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

<u>O R D E R</u>

The appellant Sri Dulal Bora is present. The public authority from Assam Legislative Assembly is represented by (1) Sri Pradip Handique, APIO, Assam Legislative Assembly and (2) Sri Samir Das, Superintendent, ALA.

The second appeal petition dated 13-6-2013 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties. The Principal Secretary and FAA of ALA Secretariat has sent a written communication dated 2nd January, 2016 stating that the first appeal petition of the petitioner does not appear to have been received in his office. The Addl. Secretary and APIO, ALA Secretariat has also sent a separate written submission dated 2nd January, 2016 narrating the actions taken by his office in response to the RTI petition.

From perusal of the case records it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 12-3-2013 before the Secretary, Assam Legislative Assembly. In response to his RTI application, the Joint Secretary and APIO of Assam Legislative Assembly wrote to the petitioner on 12th May, 2013, i.e., after expiry of 30 days, to deposit Rs. 31/- towards the cost of photo copying of 3 pages of printed material and Rs. 25/- as actual postal charge.

From perusal of the RTI petition it is seen that the information sought for is admissible under the RTI Act, 2005, except for the information relating to the Hon'ble Ministers', for which the Parliamentary Affairs Department will be the appropriate public authority.

In view of the above, the Commission directs the SPIO of ALA Secretariat, to furnish the sought for information free of cost within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order. Regarding the information from Parliamentary Affairs Department, the SPIO of ALA Secretariat is directed to transfer that part of the RTI application to the Secretary of Parliamentary Affairs Department, Govt. of Assam for furnishing the information to the petitioner within 30 days from the date of receipt of the communication from the ALA Secretariat.

With the above order the second appeal petition dated 13-6-2013 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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- 1. Sri Pradip Handique, APIO, Assam Legislative Assembly, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The SPIO of Parliamentary Affairs Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information and necessary action.
- 3. Sri Dulal Bora, Koinadhara Tiniali, House No. 118, Khanapara, Guwahati-22 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5.` Office File.

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