

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

Case No. : SIC/DHR.107/2013

Appellant : Md. Shorhab Ali

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the District Animal Husbandry &

Veterinary Officer, Dhubri, Assam

Date of hearing : 15.03.2016

Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 15.03.2016

The Public Authority is represented by Dr. A.H. Mollah, SPIO, office of the District Animal Husbandry & Veterinary, Dhubri along with a Written Statement dated 09.03.2016.

Received a letter dated 15.03.2016 from Md. Shorhab Ali sending an apology for his absence and deputing a representative, namely Shri Nazimul Hoque. However, for want of any evidence to identify the individual, he is not permitted to sit in the hearing.

The Commission has decided to go ahead with the hearing based on the W/S from the Public Authority and the absence of any mention in the Appellant's letter regarding receipt of the information he had sought for.

Perused the W/S. It has been submitted that the RTI Application dated 03.06.2013 was first submitted to the SPIO, office of the D.C., Dhubri and the latter had transferred the same to the SPIO, office of the District A.H. & Vety. Officer, Dhubri through a letter dated 09.07.2013. It has further been submitted that through a registered letter dated 29.07.2013, the SPIO requested the Applicant/Appellant to furnish the valid BPL certificate and to visit the office to specify the exact information from the office records which was required by him. However, the Appellant/Applicant has not responded till date. It has also been submitted that the First Appeal dated 26.08.2013 which had been submitted to the SPIO, office of the D.C., Dhubri has not been received by the SPIO, office of the District A. H. & Vety. Officer, Dhubri.

Deposing, the SPIO affirmed the abovementioned facts and availability of the information to be provided.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission hereby orders as follows –

- 1. The Appellant/Applicant shall, if he still interested in the information, respond to the communication made by the SPIO through the aforementioned letter on 29.07.2013, the Appellant/Applicant shall deposit the cost of photocopying, within a period of 15 days of receipt of this order, whereupon the SPIO shall provide certified photocopies of upto 25 pages/copies to the Applicant/Appellant, free of cost, considering the Appellant's BPL status, and the SPIO shall provide the documents within a period of 21 days;
- 2. The First Appellate Authority shall consider and dispose of the First Appeal, with a speaking order, within a period of 30 days of receipt of this order.

A copy of the First Appeal dated 26.08.2013 may be sent to the First Appellate Authority. With this, Second Appeal Petition is disposed of.

Sd/-Pinuel Basumatary State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-

Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, Office of the District Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Officer, Dhubri, P.O.-Dhubri, Dist-Dhubri, Assam, Pin-783301 for information.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/ District Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Officer, Dhubri, PO- Dhubri, Dist-Dhubri, Assam, Pin- 783301 for information.
- 3. Md. Shorhab Ali, S/o- Osman Ali, Vill- Boalkamari, P.O.- Boalkamari, Dist- Dhubri, Assam, Pin- 783348 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

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