



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

Case No. : **BNG.8/2014**

Complainant/ appellant : **Sri Narendra Nath Sharma**

Respondent : **District Agriculture Officer, Nalbari**

Date of hearing : **17-03-2016**

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

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The petitioner Sri N. N. Sharma is absent. The public authority is represented by Sri Hemanta Kr. Kalita, Sub Divisional Agriculture Officer (Inf), Nalbari

In view of the large number of cases pending before this Commission, the second appeal petition dated. 16-12-2013 is taken up for consideration ex-parte, on merit, in the absence of the petitioner.

From perusal of the case records, it is seen that the petitioner Sri N. N. Sharma vide his RTI petition dated 20-9-2013 filed before the DAO , Nalbari requested for detailed information about Technology Mission, National Food Security Mission and all other Schemes implemented by DAO, Nalbari in a 11 column format prescribed by the petitioner himself.

The DAO , Nalbari has sent a written submission dated 14-3-2016 stating that the information sought for by the petitioner will be voluminous and put a heavy burden on his resources, if he has to compile and furnish the information to the petitioner in the format prescribed by him. The DAO has also enclosed copy of a letter dated 15-10-2013 addressed to the petitioner, informing him about the difficulties in compiling such huge information. In the same letter the DAO, Nalbari requested the petitioner to visit his office and meet the concerned Nodal Officers in charge of the specific Schemes. The petitioner also gave the opportunity to take photo copies of necessary documents after inspection of records. The SDAO present today deposed that the petitioner never contacted the DAO's office for inspection of documents , as requested vide letter dated 15-10-2013.

The Commission notes that the DAO requested the petitioner for inspection of documents within 30 days from the date of receipt, i.e., 23-9-2013 of the RTI application dated 20-9-2013 in his office.

Therefore, there appears to be no ground for any penal action against the public authority. This Commission, however, directs the DAO, Nalbari to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant documents and take photo copies thereof on payment of Rs. 2/- per copy, after **20th May, 2016 and 5th June, 2016**, that is after completion of the election process. If the petitioner fails to turn up for inspection of documents, as ordered above, then the matter will be treated as closed.

Sd/-

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

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Assam Information Commission**

1. Sri Hemanta Kr. Kalita, Sub Divisional Agriculture Officer (Inf), Nalbari, for information and necessary action.
2. Sri N. N. Sharma,Vill & P.O & PS- Abhayapuri (Ward No.-3), near PWD Mechanical Workshop, Abhayapuri, Dist- Bongaigaon,Assam for information and necessary action.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office File.

**Registrar
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