



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

Case No. : SIC/DRN.2/2015  
Appellant : Sri Bipul Ch. Sarma  
Respondent : The SPIO, Office of the Assistant Engineer, PWD  
(Building), Division, Darrang  
Date of hearing : 12.04.2016  
Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,  
State Information Commissioner, Assam

**O R D E R**  
12.04.2016

The Appellant is present with two assistants. The Appellant has also submitted a letter dated 10.04.2016 which is taken on record.

The SPIO has sent an apology dated 08.04.2016 stating that he is preoccupied with election duty until 12.04.2016. However, as the Appellant is present and he has expressed his difficulty in attending to hearings, the Commission decides to go ahead with the hearing *ex parte* SPIO.

Perused the aforementioned letter of the Appellant. It has been submitted that he was yet to receive the information he had sought for. Depositing before the Commission, the Appellant stated that he has not received any communication from the SPIO in any manner.

Perused the case records. In his letter dated 05.04.2016, the SPIO has submitted that the RTI Application had been submitted during his predecessor's incumbency but he has not indicated what actions he has taken or planned to take to ascertain the status of furnishing the information sought for and for making a Written Submission before the Commission. It is also seen that there is no evidence of the Chief Engineer, PWD (Building) Guwahati as First Appellate Authority having disposed of the First Appeal dated 01.07.2014 submitted before him by the Appellant. The Appellant has stated that he has not received any notice for hearing or any order from the said authority.

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

- i) The SPIO, office of the Assistant Engineer, PWD (Building), Darrang shall furnish the information sought for by the Appellant/Applicant, free of cost, within a period of 15 days of receipt of this order; and
- ii) The Chief Engineer, PWD (Building), Chandmari, Guwahati as First Appellate Authority shall consider and dispose of, with a speaking order, the First Appeal dated 01.07.2014 which was submitted to him by the Appellant/Applicant, within a period of 21 days of receipt of this order.

Send a copy each of the RTI Application and the said First Appeal to the SPIO, office of the Chief Engineer, PWD (Building), Guwahati, Assam.

With this, the Second Appeal case 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 Assistant Engineer, PWD (Building) Division, Darrang, Assam, Pin- 784125 for information and necessary action.
2. The First Appellate Authority/Chief Engineer, PWD (Building), Chandmari, Guwahati, Assam, Pin- 781003 for information and necessary action.
3. Sri Bipul Ch. Sarma, S/o Late Bhuban Ch. Sarma, Vill- Gharua Sonapur, Dhekipara, Dist- Darrang, Assam, Pin- 784145 for information.
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar  
Assam Information Commission