

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

Case No. : SIC/SNR.1/2015

Complainant : Sri Manoj Kumar Shahni.

Respondent : The SPIO, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Tezpur

Date of hearing : 28.04.2016

Complaint heard by : Smt. Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.)

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 28.04.2016

Sri Manoj Kumar Shahni had filed a complaint petition on 25.01.2015 on the ground that neither the information was furnished by the SPIO nor the First Appeal was disposed of by the D.C. Sonitpur. In view the absence of the complainant without any information, it could not be ascertained whether he is still interested in receiving the information or pursuing with the complaint.

The Public Authority is represented by Sri Prabir Kumar Dutta, ACS, SPIO/Asstt. Commissioner, Tezpur. He has submitted a written statement giving details of the status of the RTI application filed on 28.10.2014, the then SPIO vide letter no. SRTI-2/2008-14/2042 dated 03.11.2014 had sought for information from the Addl. Deputy Commissioner, (Revenue, T.N. Branch), and the Addl. Deputy Commissioner, (Revenue, T.N. Branch) vide his letter dated 04.12.2014 informed the petitioner that it would take some time to furnish the information as the information sought for could not be traced out in the office till date *i.e.* 04.12.2014 with a copy to the SPIO & Extra Asstt. Commissioner, Tezpur.

In view of the complaint petition filed by the petitioner on 25.01.2015, the Commission has fixed 28.04.2016 for hearing. The SPIO has informed that on receipt of the notice on 26.04.2016, he had sought for the information from Addl. Deputy Commissioner, (Revenue, T.N. Branch) vide letter dated 27.04.2016 and the Add. Deputy Commissioner vide letter dated 27.04.2016, informed the Asstt. Commissioner, Tezpur that the document in connection with the RTI application submitted by Sri Manoj Kumar Shahni are being traced out and will take time for submission of the required information.

It appears that the notice was received only two days before the hearing. In view of the facts stated above, the SPIO, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Tezpur is directed to furnish the information sought for by the petitioner within 1 (one) month from the date of receipt of this order.

Fix 30.06.2016 at 12:30 PM for next hearing.

Sd/-Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.) State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission

- 1. The SPIO, Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Tezpur, PO- Sonitpur, Assam, Pin- 784001 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Deputy Commissioner, Tezpur, PO- Sonitpur, Tezpur, Assam, Pin- 784001 for information. He is asked to apprise the Commission about the steps taken to dispose of the First Appeal in time.
- 3. Sri Manoj Kumar Shahni, Kumalia no.3 , PO-Panibharal via Biswanath Chariali, Dist- Sonitpur, Assam, Pin- 784176 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission