

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

Case No.	:KAN. 37/2013
Complainant/ appellant	:Sri Bapuram Timung
Respondent	:Executive Engineer, PHE, Howraghat.
Date of hearing	: 06-05-2016
Complaint/ Second appeal heard by	: Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

<u>ORDER</u>

The petitioner Sri Bapu Ram Timung is absent without any information. The public authority is represented by Sri Tankeswar Laskar, Assistant Executive Engineer, PHE, Howraghat Division, Karbi Anglong.

The complaint petition dated 27-8-2013 is taken up for hearing ,ex-parte in the absence of the petitioner.

From perusal of the said petition, it is seen that the petition dated 27-8-2013 was in fact an appeal petition seeking the information. This Commission , therefore treats it as an appeal petition seeking the information.

The SPIO has made a written submission dated 5-5-2016 stating that there was delay in furnishing the information to the petitioner due to communication gap and huge volume of files and documents involved, and that he had contacted the petitioner over telephone also. He has now compiled the information for furnishing to the petitioner, copy of which has been endorsed to the Register of this Commission. It has been mentioned by the SPIO that point No.-3 of the RTI petition involves 64 files, photograph of which has been enclosed with the written submission.

In view of the above and in the absence of the petitioner, this Commission directs the SPIO to furnish the information, as already compiled, to the petitioner Sri Bapu Ram Timung within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Against point No.-3 of the petition the SPIO is directed to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant records and documents, during office hours, on any working day within 30 days from the date of receipt of this order and allow the petitioner to take notes and also photo copies of documents/records that he may require, free of cost up to 50 copies and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2/- for every additional page of photo copy.

The petitioner is also directed to give at least 2 days' advance notice to the SPIO before the proposed date of his inspection of records , and complete the inspection of records within 1 (one) working day, so that normal functioning of the office of the Executive Engineer is not unduly hampered by the petitioner's inspection of records. This Commission notes that the information sought for by the petitioner covers a long period and involves a huge volume of records.

With the above order, the appeal petition dated 27-8-2013 is disposed of.

Sd/-(H. S. Das) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahat

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission Memo No.SIC/ KAN. 37/2013/11-A

Dtd. 06-5-2016

Copy to:-

- 1. Sri Tankeswar Laskar, Assistant Executive Engineer, PHE, Howraghat Division, Karbi Anglong for information and necessary action.
- 2. Sri Bapu Ram Timung, Vill-Rongchingdon, P.O & P.S, Hamren, District- Karbi Anglong, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.

Registrar Assam Information Commission