

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

Case No.	:KP(M).317/2013
Complainant/ appellant	:Sri Dulal Bora
Respondent	Assam State Commission for Women
Date of hearing	:11-05-2016
Complaint/ Second appeal heard by	Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

<u>ORDER</u>

The petitioner Sri Dulal Bora is present. The public authority to be represented by the SPIO of the office of Chairperson, Assam State Commission for Women, Beltola, Guwahati-28 is absent without any information.

The second appeal petition dated 6-6-2013 is taken up for consideration ex-parte in the absence of the SPIO.

From perusal of the case records, it is seen that the petitioner Sri Dulal Bora filed an RTI petition dated 5-2-2013 seeking information on:-

- 1. Educational qualification of Smti Mamoni Gogoi, Vice Chairman of Assam State Commission for Women
- 2. "Expenditure of money for Assam State Commission for Women by her" and
- 3. For what purpose the money was used.

The Member Secretary, Assam State Commission for Women vide letter dated 4th March, 2013 informed the petitioner that the educational qualification of the Vice Chairman of Assam State Commission for Women was not available with them because the Vice Chairman is nominated by the Government.

This being so, this Commission would like to know from the Member Secretary of the Assam State Commission for Women as to why she did not transfer the RTI petition to the concerned department of the State Government under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005.

This Commission directs the SPIO to submit her written statement in this regard along with her explanation for her absence in todays' hearing without any information, so as to reach this Commission within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

<u>This Commission further directs the SPIO to transfer the RTI petition to the</u> <u>concerned Department of the State Government within 7 days from the date of receipt of</u> <u>this order under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 so that the State Government can</u> <u>provide the information regarding the educational qualification of the Vice Chairman of</u> <u>the State Commission for Women Smti Mamoni Gogoi to the petitioner within 30 days</u> <u>from the date of receipt of the transferred RTI application.</u>

As regards the information regarding the expenditure incurred by the Vice Chairman, which may include her salary remuneration , T.A, D.A and other incidental expenditures during the tenure of Smti Mamoni Gogoi.

This Commission directs the SPIO to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant office records and documents within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order and allow him to take notes and photo copies of documents sought for by him , free of cost up to 20 copies

and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2/- for every additional page of photo copy within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

With the above order, the second appeal petition dated 6-6-2013 is disposed of.

Sd/-

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

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- 1. SPIO of Assam State Commission for Women, Beltola, Guwahati-28 for information and necessary action.
- 2. Sri Dulal Bora, Koinadhara Tiniali, House No.118, Khanapara, Guwahati-21 for information and necessary action.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.

Registrar Assam Information Commission

Dtd.11-5-2016