

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

Case No. : SIC/HLK.24/2014

Complainant : Md. Salim Uddin Laskar

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the BDO, Hailakandi Development Block

Date of hearing : 25.05.2016

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

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 25.05.2016

The petitioner Sri Salim Uddin Laskar is present.

The SPIO is absent without any intimation.

On perusal of the case records, it appears that the Commission had passed an order dated 08.01.2016 wherein the SPIO, office of the BDO, Hailakandi Development Block was directed to furnish the information sought for by the applicant free of cost within 10 days from the date of receipt of the order, if not already furnished earlier. A written explanation was also sought for by the Commission from the SPIO within 15 days of receipt of the order as to why penalty should not be imposed on him/her under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 for failure to furnish the information to the appellant within the stipulated period of 30 days. The First Appellate Authority, BDO, Hailakandi Development Block was also directed to consider and dispose of the First Appeal dated 25.08.2014 with a speaking order within 21 days from the date of receipt of the order and with that aforesaid order, the Second Appeal petition was disposed of.

The petitioner Sri Salim Uddin Laskar on 20.02.2016 filed a Complaint petition against the SPIO, office of the BDO, Hailakandi Development Block that the Commission's order dated 08.01.2016 was not implemented.

The Commission observes that the SPIO was not present for the hearing on 08.01.2016 and has not complied with the order passed by the Commission. He is also absent for hearing fixed today i.e. 25.05.2016.

The Commission therefore is satisfied that there are reasonable grounds to enquire into the matter under Section 18 (2) of the RTI Act, 2005 and directs the directs the BDO, Hailakandi Development Block to submit a written explanation within 15 days as to why he failed to implement the order of the Commission dated 08.01.2016 and to appear before the Commission today *i.e.* 25.05.2016 without any reasonable cause.

Fix on 04.07.2016 for hearing.

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

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Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 25.05.2016

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- 1. The SPIO, Office of the Block Development Officer, Hailakandi Development Block, Dist-Hailakandi for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Block Development Officer, Hailakandi Development Block, Dist-Hailakandi for information and necessary action.
- 3. Md. Salim Uddin Laskar, S/o Ansar Uddin Laskar, Vill- Kuchila, PO- Kuchila, Dist- Hailakandi, Pin-788155 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission