

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

Case No. : SIC/GLT.36/2015 Appellant : Sri Bijoy Kutum.

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

Golaghat

Date of hearing : 07.06.2016

Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 07.06.2016

The Appellant present.

The SPIO is represented by an advocate. A Written Statement dated 24.05.2016 received from the BDO.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he was yet to receive the appropriate information relating to point no. 1 & 5 of his Application.

Perused the W/S. It has been submitted that information had been provided through a letter dated 19.09.2014.

Perused the case record. It is seen that the point no. 1 was about educational qualification of the accountant of the SPIO's office. It has been submitted that the information sought for is not related to any public interest and therefore, its furnishing would amount to an invasion of privacy and therefore, could not be provided under Section 8 (1) (j) of the RTI Act, 2005. The 5th point in the information sought for was the quantity of various material which were distributed to beneficiaries in the Block during the last 2 years and information furnished related to one item without mentioning the year to which the distribution pertained.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission is of the view that as the Appellant had not mentioned the context in which the information related to the educational qualification of the accountant was required in public interest, the view taken by the SPIO is upheld. However, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO shall provide full information relating to point no. 5 of the RTI Application pertaining to all the items distributed in the last 2 years relevant to the date of the RTI Application which was 17.07.2014, free of cost, within 10 days of receipt of this order.

With this, the Second Appeal is disposed of.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission

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