

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

Case No. : SIC/GLT.13/2016
Complainant : Sri Jibeswar Kalita.

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Block Development Officer, North

Development Block, Dergaon, Golaghat.

Date of hearing : 08.07.2016

Complaint heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 08.07.2016

The Complainant present.

The SPIO absent without information. The First Appellate Authority/PD, DRDA, Golaghat has emailed an apology on account of preoccupation with an official meeting.

Heard the Complainant. He submitted that he has not received the information he had sought for inspite of contacting the SPIO personally several times and order by the PD, DRDA, Golaghat by telephone in his (the Complainant's) presence.

Perused the case record. It is seen that the Complainant had sought certain information relating to MGNREGA, IAY, plan and estimate for building of chowkidar's accommodation and other developmental works in Madhya Missamora GP in North Development Block, Golaghat through his Application dated 12.06.2015. On not receiving the information he had sought for, he filed a First Appeal dated 07.08.2015 with the PD, DRDA, Golaghat. Thereafter, he submitted a Complaint under Section 18 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 with the Commission seeking information as well as action against the defaulting officers. The Complainant has submitted that he was no more interested in the information and he would press for penal action against the SPIO.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission hereby orders as follows –

- 1. The SPIO, office of the BDO, North Development Block, Dergaon, Golaghat shall submit a Written Statement before the Commission as to why penal action as provided for by the RTI Act, 2005, should not be initiated against him/her for failure to take action in accordance with the said Act, within 15 days of receipt of this order;
- 2. The SPIO, office of the BDO, North Development Block, Dergaon, Golaghat shall inform the Commission the names of the SPIOs along with their designation and period of incumbency in case there have been changes in incumbents, within 15 days of receipt of this order; and
- 3. The First Appellate Authority/PD, DRDA, Golaghat shall ensure that the SPIO shall furnish the explanation called for by the Commission as above, within the stipulated time.

Fix another date of hearing in 6 (six) weeks' time.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-

Deputy Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, office of the Block Development Officer, North Development Block, Dergaon, Dist-Golaghat, Assam, Pin- 785614 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Project Director, District Rural Development Agency, Golaghat, Dist- Golaghat, Assam, Pin- 785621 for information and necessary action.
- 3. Sri Jibeswar Kalita, General Secretary, Antaranga Sanjog Samity, Kumargaon, Dergaon, P.O.-Dergaon, Dist-Golaghat, Assam for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission