

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

Case No. : SIC/GLT.16/2016 Complainant : Sri Jibeswar Kalita.

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

Golaghat ICDS Project, 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 Public Authority is absent without information.

Heard the Complainant. He submitted that he has not received the information he had sought for inspite of depositing the cost of photocopying which he was asked.

Perused the case record. It is seen that the Complainant had submitted one single First Appeal dated 08.08.2015 before the Programme Officer, Divisional ICDS Cell, Jorhat in respect of two RTI Applications both dated 04.06.2015, one addressed to the SPIO, office of the CDPO, North Golaghat ICDS Project, Dergaon and another to the SPIO, office of the DSWO, Golaghat. The Complaint dated 12.10.2015 submitted before the Commission is also about those two separate RTI Applications. However, the Commission notified only the SPIO, office of the CDPO, North Golaghat ICDS Project and not the SPIO, office of the DSWO, Golaghat for today's hearing. It is also seen that some information had been provided by the SPIOs to the Complainant. However, in his Complaint, the Complainant has not specified the shortcomings/deficiencies in the information so provided to him and the information that remains to be provided.

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

- 1. The Complaint case may be segregated into two cases, one pertaining to the Application made to the SPIO, office of the CDPO, North Golaghat ICDS Project and the other to the SPIO, office of the DSWO, Golaghat and follow the procedure of hearing separately;
- 2. The Complainant shall submit a detailed written communication to the respective SPIOs, within 10 days of receipt of this order, detailing the shortcomings in the information he has received from them in respect to his RTI Application. This is to facilitate a reasoned, detailed response by the respective SPIOs to the Complainant as also to provide the wanting information;
- 3. Within 10 days of receipt of the Complainant's communication as above, the respective SPIOs shall furnish a detailed reply to the Complainant;
- 4. The Complainant shall submit a Written Statement before the Commission, within 10 days of receipt of this order, detailing the action taken by him in compliance of the above order on issuing a communication to the respective SPIOs;

Further, the SPIOs shall submit a Written Statement before the Commission, within 15 days of receipt of this order, 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; and

inform the Commission the names of the SPIOs along with their designation and period of incumbency in case there have been changes in incumbents.

The case may be listed for hearing in 7 (seven) weeks' time from today. In the next hearing, all parties shall submit Written Statements.

Sd/Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-

Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 08.07.2016

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, office of the Child Development Project Officer, North Golaghat ICDS Project, Dergaon, Dist-Golaghat, Assam, Pin- 785614 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The SPIO, office of the District Social Welfare Officer, Golaghat, Dist- Golaghat, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 3. The First Appellate Authority/Programme Officer, Divisional ICDS Cell, Dist- Jorhat, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 4. Sri Jibeswar Kalita, General Secretary, Antaranga Sanjog Samity, Kumargaon, Dergaon, P.O.-Dergaon, Dist-Golaghat, Assam for information.
- 5. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 6. Office File.

Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission