

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

Case No. : SIC/BPT.67/2016

Appellant : Shri Raj Kumar Das.

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Executive Engineer, P.W.D. Barpeta (R.R.)

Division, Barpeta

Date of hearing : 01.07.2016

Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 01.07.2016

Both the SPIO and the Appellant present. Written Statements dated 23.06.2016 and 28.06.2016 received from the First Appellate Authority/Executive Engineer, PWD Barpeta (R.R.), Division and the SPIO.

Perused the Written Statements. It has been submitted that the Appellant has been informed in writing that the records pertaining to the work on which information was sought were not available and therefore, no information as sought for could be provided.

The Appellant submitted that he was aggrieved with the fact that records on the work are stated to be not available although he had himself executed the work without being paid.

From the case record, W/Ss and personnel depositions, it is seen that although the work was indeed done records relating to the same are not available in the office of the SPIO and hence, the reply of the SPIO. Since only such information is are available with the Public Authority can be provided under the RTI Act, in the instant case it is now a question of departmental proceedings to determine the reason for such record not being available and for fixing responsibility. It would therefore be upto the departmental authorities to go into this matter and the Appellant is at liberty to seek redressal of his grievance in this regard.

With this, the Second Appeal Petition 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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- 1. The SPIO, office of the Executive Engineer, Barpeta P.W.D. (R.R.) Division, Dist- Barpeta, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Executive Engineer, P.W.D. Barpeta Rural Road Division, Dist-Barpeta, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 3. The Chief Engineer, P.W.D. (Roads), Assam, Chandmari, Guwahati-781003 who may lie to address the issue of non-available records relating to the work that has been executed.
- 4. Shri Raj Kumar Das, H/No.-3, Ward No.-13, P.O.- Barpeta, Dist- Barpeta, Assam, Pin- 781301 for information.
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