

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

Case No. :KP(M)508/2014

Complainant/ appellant :Sri Anupam Hazarika

Respondent :Executive Engineer, PWRD Lakhimpur RR Divn.

Date of hearing :08-07-2016

Complaint/ Second :Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd)

appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER

The petitioner Sri Anupam Hazarika is absent without any information. The public authority is represented by:- (1) Sri Lakheswar Dutta, Executive Engineer, PWD, Lakhimpur Rural Roads Division, and (2) Sri Kajal Mani Das, Asstt. Executive Engineer (T/C) of the same office.

The second appeal petition dated 5-9-2014 is taken up for hearing ex-parte in the absence of the petitioner.

The SPIO of the office of the Executive Engineer, PWD (Roads) Division, North Lakhimpur Rural Roads Division has submitted a written statement dated 8th July, 2016 stating that the required information was furnished to the petitioner vide letter dated 28-8-2014.

Vide his RTI petition dated 12-5-2014 the petitioner wanted to know, together with other linked information as to who was Late Bishnu Ram Bharali, after whom an RCC bridge in Ward No. 7 of Bihpuria Gaon was named.

From the reply furnished by the Executive Engineer, PWD it appears that the Department is not aware as to who was Late Bishnu Ram Bharali and why the bridge was named after him. In the verbal deposition the Executive ngineer and Asstt. Executive Engineer present today submitted that it was decided by the local MLA in presence of Hon'ble Minister, PWD at the time of laying the foundation stone of the bridge on 5-1-2014. They further submitted that there is no other record available in their office. In other words, the position is that the Executive Engineer, PWD Rural Roads Division , Lakhimpur executed the decision of the Hon'ble Minister, PWD and the local MLA as communicated verbally to name the bridge after Late B.R.Bharali.

As regards issue of notice inviting tender and the medium through which the NIT was issued, the reply of the Executive Engineer is not specific. The Commission directs the Executive Engineer , PWD Rural Roads Division, Lakhimpur to inform the petitioner about the media, i.e., the names of news papers where the NIT was published or the details through which on-line tendering were to be submitted as the case may be, be informed to the petitioner within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

With the above order the second appeal petition dated 5-9-2014 is disposed of.

Sd/-(H. S. Das) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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Sd/Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Copy to:

- 1. Sri Lakheswar Dutta, Executive Engineer, PWD, Lakhimpur Rural Roads Division, for information and necessary action, as ordered above.
- 2. Sri Anupam Hazarika, Journalist, Kanika Apartment, Noonmati, Guwahati-20 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
- 5. Order Book.

Registrar Assam Information Commission