

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

Case No. : SIC/MRN.9/2014
Appellant : Shri Ritu Medhi.
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the
1. Range Officer, Pabitora Wildlife Sanctuary, Mayong, Morigaon
2. Divisional Forest Officer, Guwahati Wildlife Division
3. Principal Account General (A&E), Maidamgaon, Guwahati.
Date of hearing : 28.06.2016
Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,
State Information Commissioner, Assam

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28.06.2016

The Appellant absent without information.

The Public Authority is represented by Sri Ashok Kr. Das, Range Officer, PWLS, Sri Kamal Ch. Nag, Sr. A.O., office of the A.G. (A&E), Assam with an assistant and Sri Rohini Kr. Das, SPIO/ACF, office of the D.F.O., Guwahati W/L Division. A Written Statement dated 28.06.2016 received from the Sr. A.O., office of the A.G. (A&E), Assam.

Perused the W/S from Sr. A.O., office of the A.G. (A&E), Assam. It has been submitted that the office of the A.G. (A&E), Assam does not have an SPIO as it is not an office under the state government. Further, that office cannot provide the voucher sought for by the D.F.O., Guwahati Wildlife Division as the same had been sent to PAG (Audit) for audit purpose according to the system.

Perused the case record. The Appellant had submitted his Second Appeal dated 04.01.2014 stating that he had not received all the information he had sought through his RTI Application dated 01.02.2013. It is however seen that he has not specified the information which remained to be provided to him. It is also seen that the Appellant has made A.G., (A&E), Assam and Sr. A.O., in-charge Forest Section in his office as respondent. It is not understood as to how the issue of voucher, and the office of the A.G. (A&E), Assam got involved as the Appellant had not asked for any voucher through his Application. Impleading the A.G. is not in order as that authority is under the jurisdiction of Central Information Commission, being a Central Government Officer.

In the absence of the Appellant from the hearing, the Commission could not ascertain as to what information remains to be provided to him by the SPIO.

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

1. The Appellant, if still interested in receiving any further information with reference to his RTI Application dated 01.02.2013, shall write within 10 days of receipt of this order to the SPIO, office of the D.F.O., Guwahati Wildlife Division specifying the information that remains to be provided to him; and
2. The SPIO, office of the D.F.O., Guwahati Wildlife Division shall provide, within 10 days of receiving the communication from the Appellant, such information as would be specified by the Appellant.

With this, the Second Appeal Petition is disposed of.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

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Deputy Registrar
Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 28.06.2016

Copy to:

1. The SPIO, office of the Divisional Forest Officer, Guwahati Wildlife Division, Santipur, Guwahati-781009 for information and necessary action.
2. The SPIO, office of the Range Officer, Pabitara Wildlife Sanctuary, Mayong, Dist- Morigaon, Assam for information.
3. Shri Ritu Medhi, Advocate, Morigaon Bar Association, P.O. & P.S.- Morigaon, Dist- Morigaon, Assam, Pin- 788720 for information.
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar
Assam Information Commission