

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

Case No. : KP(M).29/2015  
Complainant/ Appellant : Shri Nagendra Nath Talukdar  
Respondent : Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Assam  
Date of hearing : 16.8.2016  
Complaint/ Second : Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Rtd)  
Appeal heard by : Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

**O R D E R**

16.8.2016

The petitioner Shri Nagendra Nath Talukdar is present. He is accompanied by Shri Dwijendra Nath Sarma to assist him. The public authority to be represented by the SPIO of the office of the Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial) is absent. However, the SPIO of the office of the Principal CCF(T) has sent a written submission dtd 11.8.16 stating that in response to the petitioner's RTI application dtd 11.12.10, the required information was provided directly to Shri Nagendra Nath Talukdar, Secretary, Trinity, Guwahati.

From the written submission dtd 11.8.16 and the enclosed papers with the written submission as well as the position made by the petitioner, it is seen that the only information furnished to the petitioner was that one reminder letter dtd 19.11.12 from the petitioner was forwarded to the Member Secretary of the State Medicinal Plants Board vide SPIO's letter dtd 1.9.12 for taking necessary action.

The petitioner deposed that he did not receive any information from the Member Secretary of the State Medicinal Plants Board (SMPB) either. The petitioner informed that he is still interested in getting the information sought for and made a written prayer for conversion of his complaint petition dtd 31.10.14 into an appeal petition. He made a written prayer to this Commission today. His prayer is granted.

The petitioner submitted that Trinity, an NGO, of which he is the Secretary, had applied for financial assistance from the SMPB for:- (a) organizing a National Seminar on medicinal plants, and (b) to set up herbal gardens in schools. The Technical Committee of the SMPB approved the proposals. The Nodal Officer of the SMPB forwarded the proposals to the National Medicinal Plants Board (NMPB)

vide two separate letters dtd 27.2.09 and 3.3.09 respectively. According to the information available with the petitioner, the NMPB, Govt. of India referred both the proposals to the PCCF(T), Assam for further necessary action vide their letter dtd 24.12.09. According to the RTI petition dtd 11.12.10, the petitioner followed the matter up by his letters dtd 13.1.10 and 5.2.10 addressed to the CCF(T) in the office of the PCCF(T).

The petitioner submitted that he will be satisfied, if, action taken reports on the NMPB's letter dtd 24.12.09 and the present status of his proposals as mentioned above are communicated to him.

This Commission directs the SPIO in the office of the PCCF(T) to furnish the above information to the petitioner within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

With the above order, the second appeal petition dtd 31.10.14 is disposed of.

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

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Sd/-  
Registrar  
Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/KP(M).29 /2015/19-A

Dtd. 16.8.2016

Copy to:

1. The SPIO in the office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial), Govt. of Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37 for information and necessary action.
2. Shri Nagendra Nath Talukdar, Upper Hengrabari, Nabajyotipur, Guwahati-36 for information.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office File.
5. Order Book.

Registrar  
Assam Information Commission