

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

Case No. : **KP(M). 69/2015**

Complainant/ appellant : **Sri Lachit Barman**

Respondent : **DAO, Karbi Anglong/ Dima Hasao.**

Date of hearing : **17-8-2016**

Complaint/ Second : **Shri H. S. DAS, IAS(Retd)**
appeal heard by : **State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam**

O R D E R

The petitioner Sri Lachit Barman is absent without any information. The public authority is represented by:- (1) Sri Nayanmoni Mohan, Sr. ADO (Information) , Haflong, (2) Sri Ananda Ch. Karmakar, SPIO and Joint Director, Agriculture (PP), Khanapara, (3) Sri Palashmoni Baruah, SDAO (Surveillance) of the same office, and (4) Sri Jiban Krishna Biswas, I/S (Agri), NFSM Cell of the same office.

The complaint petition dated 17-5-2015 is taken up for hearing ex-parte in the absence of the complainant.

From perusal of the case records, it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 30-3-2015 before the SPIO of the Directorate of Agriculture, Assam, seeking informations about allotment of funds for implementation of various schemes, holding of workshops and names and designations of officers in Karbi Anglong and Dima Hasao district during the period from 1st January, 2012 to 31st March, 2015.

The Joint Director and SPIO of the Directorate of Agriculture, Govt. of Assam submitted a written statement dated 12-8-2016 along with several enclosures, narrating the actions taken by the Directorate in response to RTI petition dated 30-3-2015. The gist of the submission made by the SPIO is that informations available with the Directorate of Agriculture including the Horticultural wing were already furnished to the petitioner. The SPIO further submitted that for the informations which are held by the District Agricultural Officers of Karbi Anglong and Dima Hasao districts, the RTI petition was transferred to them with a request to furnish the information to the petitioner directly. The SPIO is not aware whether the Agricultural Officers of Karbi Anglong and Dima Hasao Districts has in the meanwhile furnished the information to the petitioner.

Sri N.M.Mohan , Sr. ADO who represented the District Agricultural Officer of Dima Hasao District submitted that the required information has in the meanwhile been sent to the petitioner. He has also made a written submission stating that due to shortage of manpower and NRC duties the information could not be furnished earlier.

No representative from the office of the DAO Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council District was present. The complainant is also absent. In their absence it could not be ascertained whether the petitioner has received the required information in respect of Karbi Anglong District. Nor could it be ascertained, in the absence of the complainant, whether he is still interested in pursuing this complaint.

Hence, fix **19th September, 2016 at 12.30 P.M** for reviewing the position

Issue notice to (i) the Director of Agriculture, (ii) SPIOs in the office of DAO , Karbi Anglong and (iii) SPIO of the office of Dao , Dima Hasao and (iv) the petitioner Sri Lachit Barman to personally appear on the next date of hearing with all relevant records.

**Sd/-
(H.S.Das)**

**State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati**

Authenticated true copy.

**Sd/-
Registrar
Assam Information Commission**

**Memo No.SIC/ KP(M) 69/2015/56-A
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Dated.17-8-2016

1. Sri Ananda Ch. Karmakar, SPIO and Joint Director, Agriculture (PP), Khanapara for information.
2. Sri Nayanmoni Mohan, Sr. ADO (Information), Haflong, for information and necessary action.
3. SPIO of the Office of District Agricultural Officer, Karbi Anglong for information and necessary action.
4. Sri Lachit Barman, Sadin Asomiya Pratidin Building, M.R.D Road, Chandmari, Guwahati-3 for information with a request to be present on the next date of hearing.
5. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
6. Office File.

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Assam Information Commission**