



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

Case No. : KP(M).523/2016
Complainant/ Appellant : Smti. Monica Mahanta
Respondent : Principal C.C. F., Wildlife, Basistha, Guwahati.
Date of hearing : 07.9.2016
Complaint/ Second : Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Rtd)
Appeal heard by : Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

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07.9.2016

The petitioner Smti. Monica Mahanta is represented by her advocate Smti. Binita Hazarika. Vokatnama has been submitted. The public authority is represented by: Shri Bidya Bordoloi, Dy. Conservator of Forests & SPIO of the office of the Principal CCF (Wildlife), Assam. The Advocate of the petitioner submitted written prayer stating that she is still interested in getting the sought for information and prayed for conversion of complaint petition dated 5.5.16 into a second appeal petition. Her prayer is granted. Accordingly the second appeal/complaint petition dated 5.5.16 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

By her RTI petition dated 25.4.14 addressed to the SPIO of Principal CCF (Wildlife), Assam, the petitioner sought information regarding particulars of rhino horns in the custody of various wildlife divisions under the Environment & Forests Department, Govt. of Assam. The SPIO of Principal CCF (Wildlife), E&F Deptt. has made a written submission dated 6.9.16, which is entered into the case records. In his WS he has stated that the details of the information sought for by the petitioner are held by the 4 (four) Wildlife Division- viz. (1) SPIO of the office of the DFO, Eastern Assam Wildlife Division, Bokakhat, (2) SPIO of the office of the Field Director, Manas National Park, Barpeta Road, (3) SPIO of the office of the DFO, Guwahati Wildlife Division, Guwahati, and (4) SPIO of the office of the DFO, Mangaldoi Wildlife Division, Mangaldoi. He has further stated that the RTI petition of the petitioner was transferred to those concerned Wildlife Divisions vide letter dated 7.5.14 for furnishing the information directly to the petitioner.

It appears from the case records that the Guwahati Wildlife Division had furnished the information in respect of their Division to the petitioner vide letter dated 12.5.14. The SPIO present furnished another copy of the same information to the petitioner today, since the petitioner stated that she had not received it.

As regards the remaining Wildlife Divisions, this Commission directs their SPIOs to furnish the required information to the petitioner free of cost within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

With the above order, the second appeal petition dated 5.5.16 is disposed of.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-
Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/KP(M) /2016/18-A

Dtd. 07.9.2016

- Copy to:
1. The Dy. CCF & SPIO of the office of the Principal CCF (Wildlife), Environment & Forests Deptt., Govt. of Assam, Basistha, Guwahati-29 for information.
 2. The SPIO of the office of the DFO, Eastern Assam Wildlife division, Bokakhat, Dist. Golaghat, Assam for information and necessary action.
 3. The SPIO of the office of the Field Director, Manas National Park, Barpeta road, dist. Barpeta, Assam for information and necessary action.
 4. The SPIO of the office of the DFO, Mangaldoi Wildlife Division, Dist. Darrang, Mangaldoi, Assam for information and necessary action.
 5. Smti. Monica Mahanta, C/O- B.K. Das, Flat No. 2 /E, Geetanagar, Geetanjali Heights, Mother Teresa road, Guwhati-20 for information.
 6. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
 7. Office File.
 8. Order Book.

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Assam Information Commission