

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

Case No. : **KP(M).497/2016**

Complainant/ appellant : **Sri Dwarka Prasad Agarwal**

Respondent : **AUWSSB**

Date of hearing : **02-9-2016**

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

O R D E R

The petitioner Sri Dwarka Prasad Agarwal is present accompanied by his Advocate Miss Priyanka Saikia. The public authority is represented by :- (1) Sri S. K. Bora, SPIO of Assam Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Board (AUWSSB), and (2) Sri M. Deka, ASPIO of the same office.

The complaint petition dated 23-4-2015 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

The petitioner made a written submission that he is still interested in getting the information sought for vide his RTI petition dated 13-4-2015 and prayed for conversion of his complaint petition under Section-18 of the RTI Act, 2005 into a second appeal petition under Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005. His prayer is granted.

From perusal of the case records it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 13-4-2015 before the SPIO of Assam Urban Water Supply and Sewerage Board seeking information on NIT No. 1 of 2012-2013 for supply of Ferric Alum. The SPIO and Secretary of AUWSSB replied to the petitioner vide letter dated 20-4-2015 –given informations against point No. a,b,c and d and advised the petitioner to collect the remaining information from the Divisional Office of AUWSSB. The SPIO deposed before this Commission today that there are 6 divisional offices . The SPIO also submitted that after receipt of quotations from the interested parties, they approve the firms and the prices, which they communicate to the Divisions, who are authorized to procure the materials from the approved firms at the approved rate, as per their requirement from time to time.

This Commission, therefore, directs the SPIO of AUWSSB to furnish the required information to the petitioner against point No. 'g' and inform the petitioner about the approved rate per metric tone of Ferric Alum for the year 2012-2013. For the information against the remaining points the petitioner may approach the Divisional office for obtaining the information.

To this, the petitioner submitted that he had approached the Divisional Offices and received one reply from the Executive Engineer, AUWSSB , Barak Valley Division, Silchar vide letter dated 31-7-2015 , stating that information regarding Jklm and n, relating to deduction of VAT will be available with the Head Office of AUWSSB.

The petitioner further submitted that he will be satisfied if he is given clear information about the points relating to deduction of VAT relating to Jklm7n. He stated that he is not interested in pursuing the other points.

The SPIO of AUWSSB submitted that he will arrange to furnish the required information relating to point Nos. J, k, l, m & n within 30 days from the date of this order which was pronounced in presence of both the parties.

Accordingly, this Commission grants 30 days time from today for furnishing the information as above, to the petitioner.

With the above order the converted second appeal petition dated 23-4-2015 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) 497/2016/9-A

Dated.02-09-2016

Copy to:

1. Sri S. K. Bora, SPIO of Assam Urban WaterSupply and Sewerage Board (AUWSSB),Guwahati for information and necessary action as ordered above.
2. Sri Dwarka Prasad Agarwal, 1-e, Royal Silver Tower, Lachit Nagar, Guwahati-7 for information and necessary action , as above.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office File.
5. Order Book.

**Registrar
Assam Information Commission**