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

Case No. : **KP(M).415/2016** 

Complainant/ appellant : Md. Saidul Islam

Respondent : **DFO**, **Social Forestry Division**, **Barpeta**.

Date of hearing : 11-8-2016

Complaint/ Second : Shri H. S. DAS, IAS( Retd)

appeal heard by State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

## ORDER

The petitioner Sri Golap Mazumdar is represented by one Md. Shahidul Islam, as authorized by the petitioner vide his authorization letter dated 11-8-2016. The public authority is represented by:- (1) Md. Saidul Islam, Deputy Conservator of Forest, Office of the PCCF & HOFF, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37, (2) Sri Ashit Baran Saikia, Forest Ranger of the office of DFO, Social Forestry Division, Barpeta.

The second appeal petition dated 1-12-2014 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

The RTI petition dated 30-5-2014 filed by the petitioner Sri Golap Mazumdar to the SPIO of the office of the PCCF, Assam does not bring out clearly the specific information that he wants. However, after enquiry from the petitioner's representative, it was ascertained that the petitioner wanted copies of the proposals along with the list of concerned casual workers with their particulars submitted by the Social Forestry Division, Barpeta in pursuance of Forest Department letters (i) FRE..107/2005/Pt/130 dated 4-11-2009 and (ii) No. FRE.107/05/Pt/5 dated/ 6-11-2006.

It is seen from the case records that the DFO, Social Forestry Division, Barpeta had already furnished a reply to the petitioner vide letter dated 5-8-2014. Not being satisfied with the information received, the petitioner has filed the second appeal petition dated 1-12-2014 before this Commission on the ground that information furnished to him is incomplete and confusing.

The DFO, Social Forestry Division, Barpeta has sent a written submission dated 6-8-2016 through his Range Officer, Sri Ashit Baran Saikia . With his written statement he has enclosed copies of his letters dated 5-8-2014 and 5-11-2014 addressed to the petitioner, furnishing detailed information in a statement format about the pre 1993 casual workers engaged in the Barpeta Social Forestry Division, without copies of the forwarding letters by which the proposals were furnished to the higher authorities. The petitioner submitted that he will be satisfied if he is furnished with copies of the forwarding letters containing the recommendations of the proposals of Social Forestry Division, Barpeta and the names of the Casual workers whose services were finally regularized.

This Commission, therefore, directs the SPIO of Social Forestry Division, Barpeta 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 dated 1-12-2014 is disposed of.

Sd/-(H.S.Das)

State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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Dated.11-8-2016

## Copy to:

- 1. Sri Ashit Baran Saikia, Forest Ranger of the office of DFO, Social Forestry Division, Barpeta.
- 2. Sri Golap Mazumder, Social Justice Forum, Assam, Capital Lodge complex, Last Gate, Dispur for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
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