

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

Case No. : SIC/NGN.18-A/2014 Appellant : Md. Abdul Shohid

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Block Development Officer, Khagorijan

Development Block, Nagaon

Date of hearing : 06.09.2016

Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER

06.09.2016

The Appellant absent without information.

A deputee of the SPIO present. A Written Statement dated 25.07.2016 has been received from the BDO, Khagorijan Development Block, Nagaon.

Perused the W/S. It has been submitted that the RTI Application dated 09.09.2013 was received on transfer from the PD, DRDA, Nagaon. In response, the Appellant was advised through a letter dated 24.09.2013 to inspect the record in the office and copy the information sought for, considering volume of the record relating to the information. However, the Appellant neither attended the office nor did he produce his BPL card to facilitate furnishing of information free of cost. The records relating to the information sought for was huge and bulky, and the Appellant was therefore asked to inspect them and the office was unable to deploy adequate manpower to collect so much information and provide the same to one single RTI Applicant at the cost of the normal functioning of the office that implements various government welfare schemes.

Perused the case record. It is seen from the RTI Application that information sought for would most likely involve a huge number of records as the Appellant had sought information on various schemes such as IAY, MGNREGA, TFC, DDP and so on for the period from 2008 onwards. Besides the RTI Application is of an omnibus nature and lacks clarity.

In his Second Appeal, the Appellant had simply stated that he was not satisfied with the explanation provided by the SPIO whereas in his First Appeal he had mentioned that he was confused with the said communication.

Considering that the RTI Application itself suffers from infirmity as mentioned above, the Appellant is not present in today's hearing to clarify his Application, and that he did not respond to the communication from the SPIO, the Second Appeal Petition is hereby dismissed as not tenable.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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Deputy Secretary
Assam State Information Commission
Memo No. SIC/NGN.18-A/2014/ -A

Dtd. 06.09.2016

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- 1. The SPIO, Office of the Block Development Officer, Khagorijan Development Block, Dist- Nagaon, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Project Director, Nagaon, Dist- Nagaon, Assam for information.
- 3. Md. Abdul Shohid, S/o- Ushon Ali, Vill- Telia Bebejia, P.O.- Juria, Dist- Nagaon, Assam, Pin- 782124 for information.
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