



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

Case No. : SIC/DRN.36/2016
Appellant : Md. Abu Taher.
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Deputy Commissioner, Darrang.
Date of hearing : 24.10.2016
Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,
State Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R
24.10.2016

The Appellant absent.

The SPIO is neither present nor has submitted any Written Statement which was asked for by the Commission through its hearing notice no. SIC/DRN.36/2016/6 dated 19.09.2016. He has also not explained as to why penalty shall not be imposed on him under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 for his failure to furnish the information to the Applicant within the stipulated period of 30 days.

The First Appellate Authority/Deputy Commissioner, Darrang has not apprised the Commission about the steps he may have taken to dispose of the First Appeal dated 22.12.2015 which he was asked to do through its aforementioned hearing notice.

In the absence of the SPIO and any written statement from him, the Commission could not determine as to whether the information was furnished subsequent to filing of the Second Appeal.

In view of the failure of the SPIO to appear in the hearing and to submit a written statement and explanation as sought for through its hearing notice, the Commission hereby orders that he/she shall show cause as to why – (a) penalty shall not be imposed on him/her under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 for his/her failure to furnish the information to the Applicant within the stipulated period of 30 days; and (b) disciplinary action against him may not be recommended under the service rules applicable to him/her under section 20 (2) of the said Act.

The SPIO shall furnish his/her reply to the Commission within 15 days of receipt of this order.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

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Deputy Registrar
Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 24.10.2016

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1. The SPIO, office of the Deputy Commissioner, Darrang, Mangaldoi, District – Darrang, Assam, Pin – 784 125 for information and necessary action.
2. The First Appellate Authority/ Deputy Commissioner, Darrang Mangaldoi, District – Darrang, Assam, Pin – 784 125 for information.
3. Md. Abu Taher, Secretary, Royal Group of Assam (NGP), Hospital Road, Kharupetia, P.O.- Kharupetia, District – Darrang, Assam, Pin-784 115 for information.
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar

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