

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

Case No. : SIC/HLK.65/2016

Appellant : Md. Jubair Ahmed Barbhuiya.

Respondent : The SPIO, office of the Block Development Officer.

Lala Development Block, Monacherra, Hailakandi.

Date of hearing : 29.11.2016

Second Appeal heard by : Smt. Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.)

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 29.11.2016

The Petitioner Md. Jubair Ahmed Barbhuiya is present, who stated that he had not received any information from the SPIO, office of the Lala Development Block.

The Public Authority to be represented by the SPIO, office of the Lala Development Block is absent without any information.

The Project Director, DRDA, Hailakandi has submitted a Written Statement dated 16.11.2016 that First Appellate Authority heard the Appeal on 21.07.2016 and the Block Development Officer, Lala Development Block was directed to furnish the information sought for by the Applicant within 15 days, i.e. 06.08.2016.

In view of absence of the SPIO in the hearing and any Written Statement from him, the Commission is not in a position to verify the compliance or otherwise by the SPIO with the provision of the RTI Act, 2005. As such the matter is taken up for hearing based on records.

On perusal of the RTI Petition, it appears that the information sought for by the Petitioner vide his RTI Petition dated 18.03.2016 is voluminous in nature relating to several categories of work under MNREGA for several years from 2013-14 to 2015-16. Furnishing of complete information by making photocopies will require compilation of information and substantial cost in making photocopy.

The Commission, therefore, directs the petitioner to inspect the relevant records and documents in the office of the Block Development Officer, Lala Development Block, Hailakandi with prior intimation within 21 days from the date of receipt of this order and complete inspection of documents during office hours within two working day.

The Block Development Officer, Lala Development Block, Hailakandi is also directed to allow the Petitioner to inspect the relevant record and documents as above and allow him to take notes and photocopies of the documents sought for, free of cost, upto 50 copies and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2/- for every additional page of photocopy.

With the above instruction, the Second Appeal Petition dated 11.08.2016 is disposed of.

Sd/-

Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.) State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/Deputy Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, office of the Block Development Officer, Lala Development Block, P.O.-Monacherra P.S. Lala, District Hailakandi, Assam, Pin 788 164 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Project Director, DRDA, District-Hailakandi, Assam for information.
- 3. Md. Jubair Ahmed Barbhuiya, S/o Abdul Noor Barbhuiya, Vill. Bowerghat Part-I, P.O.-Bowerghat (Bazar), District Hailakandi, Assam, Pin 788 164 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar

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