



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

Case No. : SIC/HLK.4/2017
Appellant : Md. Jahir Uddin Laskar
Respondent : The SPIO, office of the Block Development Officer,
Hailakandi Development Block, Hailakandi.
Date of hearing : 07.02.2017
Second Appeal heard by : Smt. Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.)
State Information Commissioner, Assam

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07.02.2017

The petitioner Md. Jahir Uddin Laskar has informed that he will not be able to attend the hearing on 07.02.2017 due to illness and he has not received any information against his RTI petition dtd. 29.08.2016.

The Public Authority to be represented by the SPIO, office of the Block Development Officer, Hailakandi Development Block, Hailakandi is absent without any intimation. He has submitted a Written Statement vide letter No. 18/RTI/JUL/2016-17/373 dtd. 05.02.2017 that on 05.10.2016 the SPIO transferred the RTI petition of Md. Jahir Uddin Laskar to the concerned PIOs, Sri B.R. Bhowmik, Acctt. (R.D) and Sri Rois Ahmed Laskar, Junior Assistant (A.P.) under Hailakandi Development Block and asked them to furnish the information sought for by the petitioner within 05.11.2016 with intimation to him. He also stated that the Block Development Officer, Hailakandi Development Block vide letter dtd. 08.12. 2016 directed the aforesaid PIOs to furnish the required information to the petitioner within 14.12.2016 and informed all concerned. That on receipt of notice from the Commission on 19.01.2017 he directed the PIOs to furnish the information to the petitioner directly on or before 26.01.2017 and inform to all concerned. He also stated that the deemed PIOs, Sri B.R. Bhowmik, Acctt. (R.D) and Sri Rois Ahmed Laskar, Junior Assistant (A.P.) are the custodian of the records and that deemed PIOs neither provided the information to the SPIO nor to the petitioner and as such his name should be deleted from the above Appeal petition.

It is also seen that the BDO, Hailakandi vide letter No. HDB.18/RTI/UL/2016-17/346 dtd. 08.12.2016 & 21.01.2017 had directed the Accountant and Junior Assistant to furnish the information to the petitioner within 14.12.2016 and 26.01.2017 and also directed them to appear for hearing before the Information Commission on 27.01.2017.

The Commission observes that the BDO, Hailakandi Dev. Block is the administrative head of the Hailakandi Development Block. He is directed to take steps to collect the information from the concerned officials and furnish the same to the petitioner. It is also seen that the information sought for by the petitioner vide RTI petition dtd. 29.08.2016 involves a huge volume of information relating to several categories of information for the several years. Furnishing of complete information by making photocopies will involve huge expenditure of the concerned Public Authority.

The Commission, therefore, directs the petitioner to inspect the relevant office records and documents in the office of the Block Development Officer, Hailakandi Dev. Block, Hailakandi within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order. The petitioner will give two days notice to the BDO, Hailakandi Dev. Block for inspection of document and complete inspection of documents during office hours within two working days.

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

With the above direction, the second Appeal petition dtd. 20.12.2016 is disposed of.

Sd/-

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

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Deputy Registrar
Assam Information Commission
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Dtd. 07.02.2017.

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2. The Block Development Officer, Hailakandi Development Block, Hailakandi, Dist. – Hailakandi, Assam for information and necessary action.
3. The First Appellate Authority/Project Director, DRDA, Hailakandi, Dist. - Hailakandi, Assam for information.
4. Md. Jahir Uddin Laskar, S/o Lt. Harus Ali Laskar, Vill. – Sundarshanpur Pt.-I, P.O. – Samarikuna, P.S. & Dist. – Hailakandi, Assam for information.
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