

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

Case No. : SIC/SBR.32/2016
Appellant : Shri Jitumoni Bora.
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o WPT & BC Deptt., Govt. of Assam, Dispur.
Date of hearing : 06.01.2017
Second Appeal heard by : Smt. Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.)
State Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R
06.01.2017

The petitioner Shri Jitumoni Bora is present.

The Public Authority is represented by Smti. Alaka Goswami, SPIO, WPT & BC Department, Dispur, Guwahati. The Joint Secretary, WPT & BC has submitted a Written Statement dtd. 04.01.2017 that reply to the RTI petition dtd. 18.03.2016 was sent to the petitioner on 06.04.2016. On receipt of revised RTI petition dated 09.03.2016 on 25.05.2016, the petitioner was furnished information vide letter dtd. 25.06.2016. She also stated that the petitioner submitted his first Appeal petition on 14.07.2016, 20.08.2016 and 16.09.2016, but the petitioner failed to appear for hearing. The petitioner present stated that the notices for hearing on date fixed by the first Appellate Authority were received by him after the date of hearing or just before the date of hearing fixed by first Appellate Authority.

The SPIO present admitted that the notices were sent to the Secretariat, Issue Branch for issue of the same and the petitioner may have received the notice issued late.

The Commission, therefore, remands the first Appeal petition to the first Appellate Authority for hearing and disposal of the same by a speaking order within 21 days from the date of receipt of this order and to ensure that the notice for hearing is received by the petitioner, well ahead of time.

With the above direction, the second Appeal petition dtd. 04.11.2016 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. 06.01.2017.

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1. The SPIO, WPT & BC Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati - 6 for information and necessary action.
2. The First Appellate Authority/WPT & BC Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati - 6 for information and necessary action.
3. Shri Jitumoni Bora, S/o Rameswar Bora, Vill. – Ailamukh, Dist. – Sivasgar, Pin – 785 664 for information.
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
5. Office File.

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