

Case No. : KP(M)796/2016
Complainant/ Appellant : Sri Okram Prasanta Singha
Respondent : Personnel (A) Department
Date of Hearing : 12-1-2017
Complaint/ Second : Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Retd)
appeal heard by : State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R

The petitioner Sri Okram Prasanta Singha is absent but by a written communication dated 11-1-2017 he has authorized Sri Diganta Bharali to represent him before this Commission for today's hearing. The public authority is represented by Sri Ikramul Hussain, ACS, SPIO and Joint Secretary, Personnel 'A' Department, Govt. of Assam.

The second appeal petition dated 22-12-2016 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

From perusal of the case records, it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 5-10-2016 before the SPIO of Personnel 'A' Department, Govt. of Assam. The gist of the RTI petition is :- the petitioner filed a memorandum dated 14-7-2016 before the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam, which was passed on to the Secretary of the Department of Personnel Sri T.C. Sarma through the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam and Principal Secretary, Department of Personnel, Govt. of Assam.

The information sought for by the petitioner is whether appointment letters to the selected candidates on the basis of combined Competitive Examination, 2014 for the Assam Civil Services were issued before the conclusion of inquiry, requested by the petitioner in his memorandum before the Hon'ble Chief Minister, and if not, why the appointment letters were issued on 30-9-2016 without finishing the inquiry.

The Joint Secretary and SPIO of Personnel 'A' department has submitted a written statement dated 11th January, 2016 enclosing a copy of letter No. AAP.03/2017/12 dated 11th January, 2017 addressed to the petitioner. In his written statement the SPIO has stated that initially the movement of the memorandum could not be traced out after it reached the Secretary, Personnel 'A' Department Sri T.C. Sarma. Subsequently it was traced out in Personnel 'B' Department and is under process. Vide letter dated 11th January, 2017 the SPIO has informed the petitioner about the file number from which it was being processed and that after deliberation it was sent to the Judicial Department for their views, and after the receipt of the view from the Judicial Department, the matter is again under process.

The representative of the petitioner submitted that they have not received the letter dated 11th January, 2017 from the SPIO as mentioned above. The SPIO furnished a copy of the letter to the petitioner before this Commission today.

From perusal of the records it appears that the appointment letters were issued to the candidates recommended by APSC before completion of the inquiry as prayed for by the petitioner by his memorandum dated 14-7-2016 by the petitioner before the Hon'ble Chief Minister. This Commission directs the SPIO of Personnel 'A' Department to inform the petitioner about the correct position on this along with the recorded facts and circumstances leading to the issuance of the appointment letters before completion of the inquiry within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

With the above order the second appeal petition dated 22-12-2016 is disposed of.

**Sd/-
(H. S. Das)
State Chief Information Commissioner,
Assam**

Authenticated true copy

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Registrar
Assam Information Commission**

**Memo No SIC/ KP(M)796/2016 / 24-A
Copy to:.**

Dated 12-1-2016

- 1) Sri Ikramul Hussain, ACS, SPIO and Joint Secretary, Personnel 'A' Department, Govt. of Assam .for information and necessary action as ordered above.
- 2) Sri Okram Prasanta Singha, 2nd Floor, House No-14-A Bye Lane No. -4 Rajgarh, Guwahati-3 for information.
- 3) Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4) Office file.
- 5) Order Book.

**Registrar
Assam Information Commission.**

