

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

Case No. : SIC/CCR.132/2014  
Appellant : Shri A.K. Laskar, General Secretary, A.C.R.D.O.  
Respondent : The SPIO, office of the Executive Engineer,  
PWD, Rural Road Division, Karimganj, Assam.  
Date of hearing : 08.03.2017  
Second Appeal heard by : Smt. Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.)  
State Information Commissioner, Assam

**O R D E R**  
08.03.2017

The Public Authority is represented by Sri Gautam Ch. Sarkar, EE, PWD, Karimganj Rural Road Division, Karimganj. He has informed that the SPIO could not attend the hearing due to illness.

The petitioner Shri A.K. Laskar has submitted a Written Statement that he is unable to attend the hearing today due to his mother's illness. He however stated that the SPIO had provided some information which was not as per RTI petition dtd. 29.04.2014. He also stated that he filed the 1<sup>st</sup> Appeal petition before the Executive Engineer, but he was not provided the information. As such he has requested the Commission to take necessary action u/s 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Appellate Authority has submitted a Written Statement dtd. 03.03.2017 that the reply to RTI petition in respect to Question No. 1 to 5 sent to the applicant vide letter dtd. 25.06.2014, and the petitioner was also requested to attend the office to inspect the documents in respect of Question No. 6 to 11, but the petitioner failed to attend the office of the Executive Engineer. He also stated that he may be allowed reasonable time to furnish the information as the information is voluminous.

On perusal of the case records, the Commission observes that the information sought for by the petitioner vide his RTI petition dtd. 29.04.2014 involves huge volume of information relating to several categories of information for several year, i.e. since 2008 - 09 to 2014 -15. Furnishing of complete information by making photocopy will require compilation of information and substantial cost in making photocopy which will definitely lead to burden on the resources of the concerned Public Authority.

The Commission, therefore, directs the petitioner to inspect the relevant records and documents in the office of the Executive Engineer, PWD, Rural Road Division, Karimganj within 21 days from the date of receipt of this order and complete inspection of documents during office hours within two working days. The petitioner will give two days prior notice to the Public Authority for inspection of the documents.

The Executive Engineer, PWD, Rural Road Division, Karimganj 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 25 copies and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2/- for every additional page of photocopy.

With the above direction, the second Appeal petition dtd. 30.08.2014 for furnishing full information is disposed of.

Sd/-

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

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Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 08.03.2017.

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1. The SPIO, office of the Executive Engineer, PWD, Rural Road Division, Karimganj, Pin – 788 710, Dist. Cachar, Assam for information and necessary action.
2. The First Appellate Authority/Executive Engineer, PWD, Rural Road Division, Karimganj, Pin – 788 710, Dist. Cachar, Assam for information and necessary action.
3. Shri A.K. Laskar, General Secretary, A.C.R.D.O., Vill. & P.O. – Nearigram, Dist. – Cachar, Pin – 788 013, Assam for information.
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
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