

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

Case No.	: KP(M).649/2016
Complainant/ Appellant	: Shri Okram Prasanta Singha
Respondent	: Manipuri Development Council & Director, WPT&BC, Govt. of Assam
Date of hearing	: 04.05.2017
Complaint/ Second Appeal heard by	: Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Rtd) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

## <u>O R D E R</u> 04.05.17

**1.** The petitioner Shri Okram Prasanta Singha is present accompanied by one Shri Balin Deka of house no. 260, Byelane-3, Rajgarh Guwahati-3,. to assist him. The public authorities are represented by :-

(A) (i) Smti. Alaka Goswami, ACS, Joint Secretary and SPIO of WPT&BC Department. Govt. of Assam,

(ii) Smti. Purabi Das Kakoti, Sr. Administrative Asstt. of WPT&BD Deptt.,

(iii) Md. Akbar Ali, ARO & ASPIO of the Directorate of WPT&BC, Govt. of Assam

(iv) Shri Mohan Ch. Hazarika, Sr. Asstt of the Directorate of WPT&BC, and

(B) (i) Shri Jiten Singh, Chairman, Manipuri Development Council, Assam, Guwhati

**2.** The second appeal petition dated 29.8.16 is taken up for further consideration in pursuance of this Commission's earlier order dated 10.4.17

3. The Joint Secretary & SPIO of the WPT&BC Department, Govt. of Assam has submitted an affidavit dated 4.5.17, which is entered into the case records. In her affidavit she has stated, inter alia, that the Director of WPT&BC Department is the ex-officio Member Secretary of the Manipuri Development Council (MDC) and that all relevant records, minutes of the meetings, list of beneficiaries are supposed to be kept and maintained by the Member Secretary. The Chairman of the MDC does not have notified office of their own, as stated by the SPIO.

4. This being the position, it is not understood why the SPIO and Joint Director of WPT&BC sent the first appeal petition dated 11.7.16 to the Chairman of Manipuri Development Council requesting him to furnish the sought for informations to the petitioner directly. **The Director, WPT&BC is directed to submit his written affidavit clarifying his position on or before 28.5.2017.** 

**5.** The Chairman, MDC Shri Jiten Singh has also submitted a written submission dated 4.5.17, which is entered into the case records. In his WS he stated, inter alia, that till date the MDC has been running without any office and any supporting staff. The Chairman, MDC further mentioned that in spite of that he had already furnished the sought for informations to the petitioner twice earlier in a phased manner. After receipt of this Commission's order dated 10.4.17, he has again furnished the remaining informations to the petitioner vide his letter dated 2.5.17.

**6.** The appellant Shri Okram Prasanta Singha submitted a written submission dated 4.5.17, which is entered into the case records. The appellant stated that he is yet to receive the latest communication dated 2.5.17 containing – (a) list of financial assistance to 5 NGOs during 2011-12 for promotion of sports and culture, (b) names and addresses of the instructors/ Supervisors, and house rent of Skill Development Centres during 2011-12, (c) addresses of Skill Development Centres of MDC for 2011-12, (d) list of beneficiaries (190 nos) under IBS of 2011-12, (e) another list of beneficiaries (608 nos) under IBS for 2011-12, (f) list of beneficiaries (800 nos) under IBS for 2013-14 with breakup of the schemes and number of beneficiaries against each scheme, (g) addresses of the multipurpose Community Halls, (h) addresses of Skill Dev. Training Centres, and (i) list of beneficiaries (321 nos) for firming and handicraft activities during the year 2013-14. The Chairman of MDC handed over a copy of his letter dated **2.5.17 with all the enclosures to the appellant in presence of this Commission**. He also made a written submission dated 4.5.17 in continuation of his first written submission vide No. MDC/2017/125 dated 4.5.17, which is entered into the case records. The appellant wanted copies of both the written submissions dated 4.5.17 submitted by the Chairman of MDC, copies of which are given to him by this Commission in course of today's hearing.

7. In view of the deliberations, submissions and the informations already furnished by the Chairman, MDC, this Commission does not seem to have any further cause of action so far as the second appeal petition is concerned. If the petitioner has any grievance regarding implementation of various schemes by MDC, he may approach the competent authority for redressal of his grievances and further necessary action.

The second appeal petition dated 29.8.16 is therefore disposed of.

## 8. Put up again on 29.5.2017 with reference to para 4 above.

sd/-(H. S. Das) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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- The Joint Secretary & SPIO of WPT&BC Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information.
  - 2. The SPIO of the directorate of WPT&BC, Govt. of Assam, Dispur for information.
  - 3. The Chairman, Manipuri Development Council, House No. 65, Bye Lane-7, Borthakur Mill road, Ulubari , Guwahati-7 for information.
  - 4. Shri Okkram Prasanta Singha, 2ndn Floor, House No. 14 A, Bye Lance-4, Rajgarh, Guwahati-3 for information.
  - 5. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
  - 6. Office File.
  - 7. Order Book.

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