

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

Case No.	: SIC/HLK/27/2017
Appellant	: Md Akhtar Hussain Laskar
Respondent	: The SPIO, O/o the CEO, Hailakandi Zilla Parishad, Hailakandi.
Date of hearing	: 29.08.2017
Second Appeal heard by	: Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS(Retd.) State Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R 29.08.2017

The petitioner Shri Akhtar Hussain Laskar is present, The SPIO Zilla Parishad Hailakandi vide letter dated 20.08.2017 has informed the CEO Zilla Parishad Hailakandi, with copy to the Commission that Shri B.R Bhowmik A.S.P.I.O who deal with the RTI file has not furnished the documents to him even though he had requested him to furnish the documents. As he has not received any document from the concerned Dealing Assistant he will not attend the hearing. He also requested the CEO to take necessary steps against the concerned A.S.P.I.O as per RTI act.

Commission directs the SPIO office of the Zilla Parishad to make a written submission before the Commission within 21 days from the date of receipt of the order as to why penalty under sec-20 shall not be imposed on him for his failure to comply with the provision of the RTI act 2005 for his unauthorized absence at the time of hearing today. The C.E.O Zilla Parishad is directed to look into the matter of failure of the SPIO to comply with statutory act under RTI 2005 and recommend appropriate action against the erring officials under appropriate service rules.

The Commission also directs the CEO, Zilla Parishad who is the administrative head of office, to take steps to furnish the information to the petitioner. The Commission however, observes that the information sought for by the petitioner vide his RTI petition dated 06.01.2017 involves a huge volume of information for several years i.e 2013-14 to 2015-16. Furnishing the complete information by making photocopies will require substantial cost and lead of huge burden on the resources of the public authority. The Commission therefore directs the petitioner to inspect the relevant documents during office hours in the office of the CEO Zilla Parishad Hailakandi within one month from the date of receipt of this order, with at least two days prior information to the public authority for inspection of documents.

The CEO Zilla Parishad is also directed to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant documents and take notes and photocopies of the sought for documents free of cost up to 50 copies and thereafter on payment of Rs.2 per photocopy.

Fix 05.10.2017 at 11:30 am for next hearing

NiluferAlamHazarika State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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Copy to:

- 1. The CEO, Zilla Parishad, Hailakandi, Dist- Hailakandi, Assam, Pin-788151, for information and necessary action.
- 2. The SPIO, O/o the CEO, Zilla Parishad, Hailakandi, Dist- Hailakandi, Assam, Pin-788151, for information and necessary action.
- 3. Md.Akhtar Hussain Laskar, C/o- Nahir Uddin Laskar , W/no- XI, P.O- R.P Road, Dist-Hailakandi, Assam, Pin No-788155 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

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