

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

Case No. : KP(M).683/2017

Complainant/ Appellant : Shri Rajib Deka

Respondent : Branch Manager, Assam Seeds Corporation Ltd.,

North Lakhimpur Branch

Date of hearing : 30.08.2017

Complaint/ Second : Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Rtd)

Chief Information Commissioner, Assam Appeal heard by

## ORDER 30.08.17

The petitioner Shri Rajib Deka is present. The respondent to be represented by the SPIO of the office of the North Lakhimpur Branch of Assam Seeds corporation Ltd. (ASCL) is absent without any information.

From perusal of the second appeal petition 14.7.17 and the corresponding RTI petition dated 8.5.17 filed by the petitioner, it is seen that the informations sought for by him are admissible under the RTI Act, 2005, but the same have not yet been furnished to him by the concerned SPIO. This Commission also takes note of the fact that the manpower position in district branches of ASCL are inadequate and these branches have to cope with the recent devastating floods. It, therefore, appears that compiling of the voluminous informations sought for by the petitioner may cause disproportionate diversion of the limited resources of the concerned public authorities.

In view of the above, the SPIO/Branch Manager of North Lakhimpur Branch of ASCL is directed to allow the petitioner, or his authorised representative, to inspect all relevant records and documents during office hours on any working day within 30 days from the date of this order, which was pronounced in presence of both the parties, subject to giving at least two days' advance notice by the petitioner to the Branch Manager, ASCL, North Lakhimpur Branch.

The Branch Manager, ASCL, North Lakhimpur Branch is further directed to allow the petitioner, or his authorised representative, to take notes and

photocopies of required documents free of cost up to 50 copies and thereafter @ Rs. 2.00 for every additional page of photocopy. If the petitioner wants it so, then the Branch manager, ASCL, North Lakhimpur Branch may attest the documents as true with his seal and signature.

With the above order, the second appeal petition dated 8.5.2017 is disposed of.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/KP(M). 683/2017/

Dtd. 30.08.2017

Copy to:

- The SPIO, Assam Seeds Corporation Ltd., North Lakhimpur Branch, District Lakhimpur, Assam, PIN- 787001 for information and necessary action.
- 2. Shri Rajib Deka, Nayanpur Path, Kahilipara, House No. 62, Guwahati –781019 for information..
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
- 5. Order Book.

Registrar
Assam Information Commission