

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

Case No. Complainant/ Appellant Respondent Date of hearing Complaint/ Second Appeal heard by

- : KP(M).949/2017
- : Shri Dulal Bora
- : Home Department, Government of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6
- : 17.11.2017
- : Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Rtd)
 - Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 17.11.17

The petitioner Shri Dulal Bora is present. The public authority is represented by:- (i) Shri Mridul Kumar Mahanta, Joint Secretary and SPIO of Home Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, (ii) Shri Ashim Kr. Dey, APS, Dy. Superintendent of Police (Law Cell), Assam Police Headquarters, Ulubari, Guwahati-7, (iii) Shri Paresh Borah, ASI of Police, Police Headquarters, Ulubari, Guwahati-7, and (iv) Shri Saurav Mitra, Sr. Administrative Assistant, Home (A) Department, Govt. of Assam. The second appeal petition dated 24.7.17 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

From perusal of case records it is seen that the petitioner Shri Dulal Bora filed a complaint petition dated 23.5.16 addressed to the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam. Vide his complaint petition the petitioner made serious allegations against two senior IPS officers and others for direct involvement in the so called "Sadra Scam" in connection with collection of unauthorized deposits from large number of the public by the non-financial institution called "Sarda". The complaint petition mentioned about request made by the State Directorate of Vigilance and Anti-corruption, and the State Government for interrogating the two senior police officers. The petitioner followed his complaint petition dated 23.5.16 addressed to the PIO of the Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam.

It is seen from the case records that vide letter dated 4th August, 2016 the SPIO of the office of the Chief Secretary, Government of Assam transferred the RTI petition to the Home Department in a routine manner, although the RTI petition and the original complaint petition relates mainly to Political (Vigilance) Department and the Directorate of Vigilance and Anti-corruption Department. This Commission, therefore, directs the SPIO of the office of the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam to apply diligence and initiate fresh action on the RTI petition dated 30.7.16 so that the concerned public authorities mainly (a) Political (Vigilance) Department (b) Directorate of Vigilance & Anti-corruption, and (c) any other public authority that the Chief Secretary may deem fit, can furnish the sought for information to the petitioner within 45 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Fix 1.30 PM on 09.01.2018 for review of action taken.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Registrar Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 17.11.2017

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- 1. The SPIO of the office of the Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information and necessary action.
 - 2. The Joint Secretary & SPIO of Home Department, Government of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information.
 - 3. Shri Dulal Bora, House No. 118, Kainadhara, Khanapara, Guwahati-22 for information
 - 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
 - 5. Office File.
 - 6. Order Book.

Registrar Assam Information Commission