

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

Case No. : NGN.202/2017 Complainant : Shri Durgeswar Das

Respondent : SPIO, Secretary Chaparmukh Gaon Panchayat, Nagaon

Date of hearing : 12.12.2017

Complaint/ Second : Smti. N.A. Hazarika, IAS (Retd)

Appeal heard by State Information Commissioner, Assam

## ORDER

12.12.2017

The petitioner Shri Durgeswar Das is absent without any intimation. The Secretary, Chaparmukh Gaon Panchayat has informed the Commission vide letter dated 7.12.17 that he will not be able to attend hearing today as he is engaged in time bound NRC work. He has, however, furnished copy of letter dated 7.12.17. In the aforesaid letter he has stated that the RTI petition dated 27.6.17 was received in their office and vide letter dated 21.7.17 he had requested the petitioner to deposit photocopy charges of 48 copies of documents at the rate of Rs. 2.00 per copy and then the petitioner would be furnished the documents within 10 days from the date of deposit of the aforesaid amount. But no communication was received from the petitioner. On 11.9.17 he received a letter from BDO, Raha Development Block for hearing of the appeal petition on 20.9.17 at 12.00 noon. Accordingly he was present for hearing, but the petitioner did not appear and the first appellate authority was informed that the petitioner was informed vide letter dated 27.7.17 to deposit the photocopy charges for furnishing of information.

On perusal of the second appeal petition it appears that the petitioner has mentioned that the BDO should have arranged an open hearing but he did not do so. But he has not mentioned that he was directed to deposit the photocopy charges.

In view of the above, the Commission directs the petitioner to deposit photocopy charges of the documents sought for within 10 days from the date of receipt of this order. The public authority is also directed to furnish the documents on the date of receipt of the amount.

With the above direction, the second appeal petition dated 3.10.17 is disposed of.

Sd/-

(N.A. Hazarika) State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-

Joint Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/ NGN.202/2017/

Dtd. 12.12.2016

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO of the office of the Secretary, Chaparmukh Gaon Panchayat, PO- chaparmukh, Dist. Nagaon, PIN- 782425 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The FAA/Block Development Officer, Raha Development Block, PO- Raha, Dist. Nagaon, PIN-782103 for information and necessary action.
- 3. Shri Durgeswar Das, R/O Christian Patty, PO- Nagaon, Disit- Nagaon, Assam, PIN- 782 001 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.
- 6. Order Book.

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