

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

Case No. : SIC/NGN.136/2017
Appellant : Shri Durgeswar Das

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Block Dev. Officer, Dhalpukhuri Dev.

Block, Nagaon, Assam

Date of hearing : 21.02.2018

Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 21.02.2018

The Appellant, Shri Durgeswar Das is present.

The SPIO absent without information. He/she has not submitted any Written Statement and has not explained as to why penalty U/S 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 should not be imposed on him/her for his/her failure to furnish the information within the time stipulated.

As the Appellant is present, the Commission decided to conduct the hearing proceedings *ex parte* of the SPIO.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he had not received the information he had sought for through his Application for information dated 02.05.2017.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO, office of the BDO, Dhalpukhuri Dev. Block, Nagaon shall furnish the information to the Appellant, free of cost, within 10 days of receiving this order.

The Second Appeal is hereby disposed of. However, the Appellant shall be at liberty to move this Commission, if he is aggrieved with the response of the SPIO. Should the Appellant complain to the Commission about non-compliance by the SPIO, the Complaint will be heard where the SPIO and the deemed SPIOs, i.e. the holders of the information shall be required to be present personally and present their case before the Commission. The SPIO shall also be required to submit a detailed Written Statement indicating, inter alia, his/her name and the names of his predecessors SPIOs.

Sd/-Pinuel Basumatary State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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- 1. The SPIO, O/o the Block Dev. Officer, Dhalpukhuri Dev. Block, Nagaon, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Block Dev. Officer, Dhalpukhuri Dev. Block, Nagaon, Assam for information.
- 3. Shri Durgeswar Das, Residence of Christian Patty, PO- Nagaon, Dist- Nagaon, Pin-782 001, Assam for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
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