

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

Case No. : SIC/BPT.52/2017 Appellant : Md. Najrul Islam

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Treasury Officer, Pathsala Sub-Treasury,

Barpeta, Assam

Date of hearing : 30.01.2018

Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 30.01.2018

The Appellant, Md. Najrul Islam is present.

The Respondent absent. However, the Treasury Officer, Pathsala Sub-Treasury office, Barpeta has submitted a Written Statement dated 04.01.2018.

Perused the Written Statement. It has been submitted that the information sought for through Application dated 28.08.2017 was furnished through a letter dated 23.10.2017. A copy of the said letter has been enclosed.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he indeed received the said communication from the Treasury Officer. However, the same was incomplete and that he had received the information in respect of the first 2 points but the third point which related to the names of banks and the account numbers of the pensioners through which pension has been paid was not furnished to him. He further stated that the Respondent had stated that the said information related to third party and was therefore not furnished. He required the information in public interest and was still interested therein.

Perusal of the aforementioned letter through which information has been furnished indicates that the Public Authority did not state the reason for not furnishing the wanting information. The Commission is of the view that it was the responsibility of the SPIO to inform the Appellant the reason for not furnishing the information relating to bank account of the pensioners. The Commission therefore hereby directs the SPIO to review its decision relating to not furnishing the said information and take appropriate action on third party information as provided for by the RTI Act, 2005 U/S 8 (1) (d) and Section 11 (1) within the time stipulated therein.

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.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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1. The SPIO, O/o the Treasury Officer, Pathsala Sub-Treasury, Barpeta, Dist- Barpeta, Assam, Pin- 781 325 for information and necessary action.

- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Treasury Officer, Pathsala Sub-Treasury, Barpeta, Dist-Barpeta, Assam, Pin- 781 325 for information.
- 3. The Appellant, Md. Najrul Islam, Journalist, C/o- Manager, Bulbul Memorial Hostel (Near Kayakuchi BSNL Exchange), Vill- Banbahar, PO- Kayakuchi, Dist- Barpeta, Assam, Pin-781 352 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

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