

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

Case No. : SIC/BPT.46/2017

Appellant : Shri Matiar Rahman

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

Kayakuchi, Barpeta

Date of hearing : 19.01.2018

Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 19.01.2018

The Appellant, Shri Matiar Rahman is present.

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

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he had not received the information he had sought for through his Application dated 31.08.2017. He added that the BDO, Pakabetbari Dev. Block have not complied with the order of the FAA/PD, DRDA, Barpeta who had directed him to furnish the information to the Appellant through his letter dated 06.10.2017 and added that the said direction was in response to the copy of his First Appeal which he had sent to the PD, DRDA, Barpeta.

In the absence of the SPIO or the BDO and any Written Statement from them, the Commission could not determine as to whether his First Appeal was disposed of.

As the Appellant is present and the hearing was notified to the Respondents, the Commission decided to conduct the hearing proceedings *ex parte*.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission hereby orders that the Respondent shall furnish the information to the Appellant, within 10 days of receiving this order, free of cost.

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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- 2. The First Appellate Authority/PD, DRDA, Barpeta, Dist- Barpeta, Assam for information.
- 3. The Appellant, Shri Matiar Rahman, S/o- Lt. Sahed Ali, Vill- Bhowkamari, PO- Kayakuchi, PS-Barpeta, Dist- Barpeta, Assam, Pin- 781 352 for information.
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