

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

Case No. : SIC/DRN.73/2017
Appellant : Md. After Hussain
Respondent : (i) The SPIO, O/o the Block Dev. Officer, Sipajhar Dev. Block,
Darrang and
(ii) The SPIO, O/o the Secretary, Lokrai Gaon Panchayat, Darrang
Date of hearing : 09.01.2018
Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,
State Information Commissioner, Assam

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09.01.2018

Shri Dhananjay Pathak, APO (T)/SPIO, DRDA, Darrang, Mangaldai as deputed by the First Appellate Authority/Project Director, DRDA, Darrang, Mangaldai present.

The Written Statements dated 02.01.2018 and 08.01.2018 received from the BDO/SPIO, Sipajhar Dev. Block and the Secretary/SPIO, Lokrai Gaon Panchayat, Darrang.

The Appellant, Md. After Hussain present along with an assistant.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that the information he had received in response to his Application dated 11.07.2017 was incomplete and not factual. He submitted that in respect of point number 2, while he had sought for photocopies of MB of 14th Finance Commission of schemes in the said GP. The SPIO stated that no copies of MB could be provided as the work had not been completed as of 11.07.2017. The Appellant added that as the works have been completed by the time the information has been furnished, photocopies of the MB could have been provided. The submission that the concerned Junior Engineer had not submitted any written progress report on the works was not acceptable to him. A copy of the letter received from the Secretary of the GP has been submitted.

Perused the Written Statement of the BDO. The Application had been transferred to the concerned GP through a letter dated 28.11.2017.

Heard the depute of the PD, DRDA, Darrang/FAA. He submitted that the First Appeal had been transferred to the CEO, Darrang Zilla Parishad through a letter dated 08.09.2017 and submitted a copy thereof for evidence.

From the above, it is seen that there was an inordinate delay on the part of the BDO in transferring the Application to the concerned GP. Perusal of the information provided by the Secretary of Lokrai GP through a letter dated 08.01.2018 indicates that although the date of the Application by the Appellant was dated 11.07.2017, information was provided only yesterday i.e. 08.01.2018 and therefore it will be reasonable to expect the Public Authority to provide up to date information i.e. up to the date of which information is provided.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission hereby orders that the Secretary of Lokrai GP shall review the information provided to the Appellant and furnish up to date and complete information in respect of each of the points in the Application dated 11.07.2017, free of cost, within 10 days of receipt of this order.

The Second Appeal is hereby disposed of.

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

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Joint Registrar
Assam Information Commission

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2. The SPIO, O/o the Secretary, Lokrai GP, Sipajhar Dev. Block, Darrang, Dist- Darrang, Assam, Pin- 784 145 for information and necessary action.
3. The First Appellate Authority/PD, DRDA, Darrang, Mangaldai, Dist- Darrang, Assam, Pin- 784 145 for information.
4. The Appellant, Md. After Hussain, S/o- Lt. Asrab Ali, Vill- No. 1 Khanapara, PO- Ganesh Kuwari, PS- Sipajhar, Dist- Darrang, Assam, Pin- 784 145 for information.
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