

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

Case No. Respondent Date of hearing Complaint/ Second Appeal heard by

: KP(M).313/2016 Complainant/ Appellant : Shri Jyoti Prakkash Ghosh : Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (Metro), Guwahati-1 : 27.3.2018 : Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Rtd) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

## ORDER 02.04.18

1. The petitioner Shri Jyoti Prakash Ghosh was present. No representative from the public authority was present at the time of hearing. However, the day after the hearing, i.e., on 28.3.18, an email dated 26.3.18 from the SPIO and Addl. Deputy Commissioner of the office of the Deputy Commissioner (Metro), which was reportedly received in the Registry of this Commission on 28.3.18 at 11.30 AM, was put up. In the email the SPIO mentioned about his preoccupation with the NRC works and prayed for re-fixation of the date of hearing.

2. Two separate written communications dated 12.3.18 and 16.3.18 were also received from the SPIO of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M) and Addl. Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M) district respectively. Both the written communications do not throw any light whether the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M) complied with this Commission's orders dated 20.12.17 and 8.2.18. This amounts to non-compliance of the orders of this Commission and relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005

3. In view of appearance of a prima facie case of manipulation, tampering and disappearance of land records, discrepancies of land records maintained by the RKG branch of the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M) and by the office of the Circle Officer, Dispur Revenue Circle, and continued indifference on the part of the concerned public authorities and their SPIOs in dealing with this matter which may have wider and deeper ramifications, and with a view to giving an opportunity of being heard before passing a final order, issue notices to the following for their personal appearances on the next date of hearing:-

- (a) Dr. M. Angamuthu, IAS, ex-Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (Metro) district who was the Deputy Commissioner at the time of passing the order dated 20.12.17 and 8.2.18,
- (b) The present Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (Metro) district, Shri Virendra Mittal, IAS,
- (c) The SPIO of the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M), Guwahati-1 and
- (d) The Circle Officer, Dispur Revenue Circle, Guwahati-28

4. The respondents may submit their respective affidavits detailing actions taken by them on or before the next date of hearing. Issue notice to the petitioner also for his attendance on the next date of hearing.

## Fix 11.00 AM on 20.4.2018 for next hearing.

Sd/-(H. S. Das) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/KP(M).313/2016/

Dated. 02.04.2018

- Copy to: 1. Dr. M. Angamuthu, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Guwahati Development Department, Dispur, Guwahati-781 006 & Ex-Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (Metropolitan) district for information and necessary action.
  - 2. Shri Virendra Mittal, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (Metro), Panbazar, Guwahati-1 for information and necessary action.
  - 3. The SPIO of the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M), Guwuahati-1 for information and necessary action.
  - 4. The Circle Officer, Dispur Revenue Circle, Basistha, Guwahati-28 for information and necessary action.
  - 5..Shri Jyoti Prakash Ghosh, House No. 7, Umanand Housing Complex, Sreenagar Path, Bye Lane- 1, Bhangagarh Guwahati-5 for information and for appearance on the date of next hearing
  - 6. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
  - 7. Office File.
  - 8. Order Book.

Registrar Assam Information Commission