

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

Case No. : SIC/NGN.108/2017
Appellant : Shri Durgeswar Das
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Block Dev. Officer, Bhurbandha Dev.
Block, Morigaon, Assam
Date of hearing : 23.02.2018
Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,
State Information Commissioner, Assam

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23.02.2018

Shri Atul Ch. Baruah, Block Dev. Officer, Bhurbandha Dev. Block, Morigaon and Shri Bhobesh Kandoli, Chief Executive Officer are present.

The Appellant, Shri Durgeswar Das is present.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he had not received the information he had sought for through his Application for information dated 18.05.2017.

Heard the Respondent. He submitted that he was not in a position to furnish the information so far on account of his pre-occupation with flood relief related work at the time of receiving the Application and subsequently with NRC work. However, he submitted that he would now furnish the information within the next 10 days.

The BDO has been told by the Commission during the hearing that the RTI Act, 2005 has specific timelines for taking actions such as furnishing of information within the maximum period of 30 days and that the SPIOs are obliged to comply with the provisions of the said Act and pre-occupation with other official work is no excuse to delay in furnishing of information.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO/BDO, Bhurbandha Dev. Block, Morigaon shall furnish the information to the Appellant, free of cost, within 10 days of receiving 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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1. The SPIO, O/o the Block Dev. Officer, Bhurbandha Dev. Block, Morigaon, Assam for information and necessary action.
2. The First Appellate Authority/Block Dev. Officer, Bhurbandha Dev. Block, Morigaon, Assam for information.
3. Shri Durgeswar Das, Residence of Christian Patty, PO- Nagaon, Dist- Nagaon, Pin- 782 001, Assam for information.
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