



ASSAM INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Case No. Complainant/ Appellant Respondent Date of Hearing Complaint/ Second appeal heard by KP(M).1289/2017 Sri Joydeb Das Agriculture Department. 20.04.2018 Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Retd) State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

<u>O R D E R</u> 20.04.2018

1.. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das is present. The public authority is represented by Sri Manas Nath, Joint Secretary and SPIO of Agriculture Department, Govt. of Assam.

2. The second appeal petition dated 14-12-2017 is taken up for further consideration in presence of both the parties in pursuance of this Commission's earlier orders dated9-2-2018 and 9-3-2018. The Joint Secretary and SPIO of Agriculture Department submitted that the Director of Agriculture Department has since submitted his report vide letter dated 28-3-2018. The Joint Secretary and SPIO furnished a copy of that report to this Commission , which is entered into the case records. The report of the Director of Agriculture Department states, inter alia, that the subject matter of the inquiry is related to Assam Seeds Corporation Ltd. and not in the Directorate. Accordingly, the Govt. letter seeking inquiry report from the Director has meanwhile been transferred to ASCL.

3. In the mean time, ASCL have already furnished a reply to the petitioner and to the Directorate of Agriculture in response to his representation dated 2-5-2017 which was submitted before the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India. The SPIO and Joint Secretary, Agriculture further deposed that the complaint of the petitioner Sri Joydeb Das is being inquired into by M.D, ASCL and that till completion of the inquiry and finalization of the matter, the M.D, ASCL has withheld the payment to the supplier of the procurement complained against.

4. The petitioner submitted a copy of letter No. Agri/Estt/8304/2016-17/204 dated 4-4-2018 from the Director of Agriculture to the Commissioner & Secretary, Agriculture Department, Govt. of Assam forwarding the report of M.D, ASCL to the Govt. for further necessary inquiry by the Govt. 5. The above depositions and informations furnished by the SPIO and Joint Secretary, Agriculture Department as well as the petitioner himself clearly establishes the present status of the actions taken on his representation dated 2-5-2017 made before the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.

6. So far as this Commission is concerned, there is no further cause of action on his RTI petition. For further grievance, if any, on the actions taken on the complaint petition by the concerned officials of Govt. of Assam and ASCL, the petitioner may approach the competent authority for further necessary action.

7. With the above order, the second appeal petition dated 14-12-2017 is disposed of.

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

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Registrar I/c Assam Information Commission

Memo No SIC/ KP(M).1289/2017/ A Dated 20.04.2018

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- 1) Sri Manas Nath, ACS, Joint Secretary and SPIO of the Department of Agriculture, Govt of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information
- 2) Managing Director, Assam Seeds Corporation Ltd., Khanapara, Guwahati-22 for information and necessary action.
- 3) Sri Joydeb Das, , House No. -16, Kushal Konwar Road, Near Mayur Krishna Cinema Hall, Fatashil Ambari, Guwahati- 781 025 for information
- 4) Computer Section for uploading in the Website
- 5) Office file.
- 6) Order Book

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