

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

Case No. : SIC/DRN.17/2018
Appellant : Shri Mati Ram Nath
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Chief Executive Officer, Darrang Zilla
Parishad, Darrang, Assam
Date of hearing : 17.05.2018
Second Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary, IA & AS (Retd.)
State Information Commissioner, Assam

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17.05.2018

Sri Banamali Sarma, as deputed by the Chief Executive Officer, Darrang Zilla Parishad, Darrang is present.

The Appellant, Sri Mati Ram Nath is present.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he had neither received the information he had sought for through his RTI Application dated 27.11.2017 nor any decision from the First Appellate Authority/ Chief Executive Officer, Darrang Zilla Parishad, Darrang on his First Appeal dated 29.12.2017.

Heard the SPIO's depute. He submitted that the information sought for could not be provided as the same pertained to the entire Darrang district and making photocopies of all the records/documents containing the information would involve considerable cost of money and time. Besides, most staffs and officers of the office have been involved in NRC duty. He added that it would facilitate furnishing of the information if the scope of the information and the number of years which is from January, 2012 to November, 2017 could be reduced.

Perusal of the RTI Application indicates that the extent of information sought for by the Appellant is indeed extensive pertaining as it does to the years 2012-2017 and detailed information for the entire district, and that providing photocopies of all the related documents would make considerable demands on the resources of the Public Authority both in terms of money and manpower. Considering this, the Commission **hereby orders that the SPIO shall allow the Appellant to inspect the records and take notes etc. relating to the information sought for by fixing a specific date and time and communicating the same to the Appellant. If photocopies of some essential documents would be required by the Appellant, the SPIO shall provide up to 50 copies thereof free of cost and the rest on payment of the cost by the Appellant. The entire exercise of inspection, making photocopies etc. shall be completed within 3 working days.**

The Second Appeal is hereby disposed of.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary IA & AS (Retd.)
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

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Assam Information Commission

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1. The SPIO, O/o the Chief Executive Officer, Darrang Zilla Parishad, Dist.- Darrang, Assam, Pin- 784 125 for information and necessary action.
2. The First Appellate Authority/Chief Executive Officer, Darrang Zilla Parishad, Dist.- Darrang, Assam, Pin- 784 125 for information.
3. The Appellant, Shri Mati Ram Nath, S/o- Lt. Dusta Ram Nath, Vill- Gharowa Sonapur, PO- Dhekipara, Dist- Darrang, Assam, Pin- 784 145 for information.
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