



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

Case No. : KP(M).74/2018
Complainant/ Appellant : Dr. Manjula Das
Respondent : Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Assam
Date of hearing : 22.5.2018
Complaint/ Second : Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Rtd)
Appeal heard by : Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R

22.5.18

1. The petitioner Dr. Manjula Das is absent. She has sent a written prayer dated 21.5.18 for deferment of the date of hearing preferably to 1st or 5th June, 2018 on the ground that she is presently posted at Silchar Government Dental College.
2. The SPIO and Deputy Secretary of Health and Family Welfare Department has submitted a written statement dated 21.5.18 stating that necessary informations have been furnished to the petitioner Dr. Manjula Das vide letter dated 21.5.18. However, the SPIO today orally deposed before this Commission that he contacted Dr. Manjula Das over telephone before coming to this Commission and she stated that she will collect the informations/documents when she visits Guwahati except point no. 3 of her RTI petition, for which she will personally visit the office of the SPIO and Deputy Secretary of the Health & Family Welfare Department.
3. In view of the above, the SPIO of the Health and Family Welfare Department is directed to despatch the informations already prepared by him to the petitioner by registered post immediately, in any case not later than 25th of May, 2018.
4. As regards point no. 3 of her RTI petition, the SPIO is directed to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant documents during office hours on any working day and allow her to take notes and photocopies of the sought for informations free of cost upto 25 pages and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2.00 for every additional page of photocopy. The petitioner is also directed to give the SPIO at least two days' advance notice before her coming for inspection of records.
5. As regards delay in furnishing of the sought for informations, the present SPIO and Deputy Secretary, Health and Family Welfare Department stated that Shri Biman Dutta, at present posted as Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Political (A) Department, was the SPIO of Health and Family Welfare Department at the relevant point of time, i.e. "June, 2016". The present SPIO furnished a copy of letter No. HLB.552/2016/Pt/RTI/15 dated 19.5.2018 addressed to Shri Biman Dutta to clarify the reasons for delay in furnishing the required informations so that written statement can be submitted before this Commission within the stipulated time. This is with reference to the direction no. (ii) of this Commission's order dated 03.5.2018.

Fix 1.30 PM on 6.6.2018 for review of action taken.

Issue notices to the petitioner as well as both the SPIOs for their attendance on the next date of hearing.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-
Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/KP(M).74/2018/

Dated. 22.5.2018

Copy to:

- 1 Shri A.S. Abdullah Barbhuyan, Deputy Secretary & SPIO of Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati- 6 for information and necessary action.
2. Shri Biman Dutta, Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Political (A) Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information and necessary action.
3. Dr. Manjula Das, Natun Sarania Achala Bhuyan Rad, House No. 5, Byelane 3, Guwahati- 781 003 for information.
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
5. Office File.
6. Order Book.

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