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Case No. DBR.11/2018

Complainant/ Appellant Sri Jadumoni Boruah

Respondent Sonowal Kachari Autonomous Council

Date of Hearing 12.06.2018

Complaint/ Second Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Retd)

appeal heard by State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 12.06.2018

- 1. The petitioner Sri Jodumoni Boruah is absent. However, he has sent a written communication dated 12-6-2018 informing his inability to appear before this Commission today at the time of hearing due to some personal problems. He has mentioned that he has not received the sought for informations till date and prayed for :—
 - (a) direction to the SPIO of Sonowal Kachari Autonomous Council (SKAC) to furnish the complete informations to him free of cost, and
 - (b) imposition of penalty under Section-20 of the RTI Act 2005 on the SPIO of SKAC for his failure to furnish the sought for informations within the stipulated time period.

His written communication is entered into the case records.

- 2. The public authority is represented by Sri Paim Thee Gohain, APIO of SKAC.
- 3. The second appeal petition dated 4-1-2018 is taken up for consideration exparte in the absence of the petitioner.
- 4. From perusal of the case records it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 4-10-2017 before the PIO of SKAC, seeking the following informations:-
 - (i) Bank account statements of SKAC from 1-1-2013 to 4-10-2017 in pdf format;
 - (ii) Details of the interest amount which is credited to the bank account of SKAC from 2005 to 4-10-2017; and
 - (iii) Details of the works awarded by using the interest money from 2005.
- 5. The APIO of SKAC has submitted a written statement dated 11th June, 2018 stating that he wrote to the concerned banks asking for detailed informations from the concerned banks. But there was delay in getting the informations from the banks. In his

written statement the APIO has enclosed copy of letter dated 11-6-2018 addressed to the petitioner Sri Jodumoni Boruah furnishing him some informations.

- 6. From perusal of the informations furnished it reveals that full and complete informations have not been furnished to the petitioner the informations furnished are only partial. The bank statement, interest earned on bank deposits and utilization of the interest earned from the bank deposits by the public authority are matters of record and are admissible under the RTI Act, 2005.
- 7. The Principal Secretary of SKAC is hereby directed to obtain relevant detailed informations from the concerned banks within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order and keep them ready for inspection by the petitioner. He is further directed to allow the petitioner to inspect all the relevant records during office hours on any working day from 10th July 2018 to 20th July, 2018 and allow the petitioner to take notes and photocopies, free of cost, up to 100 pages and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2/- for every additional page of photocopy or alternatively give the information in pdf format, wherever possible.
- 8. The petitioner will be at liberty to revert to this Commission in the event of non-furnishing of the sought for informations by the SPIO of SKAC, for further necessary orders by this Commission.

Sd/-

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

Authenticated true copy

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Registrar I/c
Assam Information Commission

Memo No SIC/ DBR.11/2018/

Dated 12.06.2018

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- 1) SPIO of the office of Principal Secretary, Sonowal Kachari Autonomous Council for information and necessary action as ordered above.
- 2) Sri Jodumoni Boruah, Nakhat, Nagaon, Dist- Dibrugarh (Assam) PIN-785 676 for information and necessary action.
- 3) Computer Section for uploading in the Website
- 4) Office file.
- 5) Order Book.

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