

Case No. : No.KP(M)166/2018
Complainant/ Appellant : Sri Nitumani Choudhury
Respondent : Superintendent of Police, Mangaldoi
Date of Hearing : 08-10-2018
Complaint/ Second : Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Retd)
appeal heard by : State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

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08-10-2018

1. (a) The SPIO of Assam Police Headquarter is absent. However, a copy of letter vide memo No. G/(RTI)/VI/125/2018/12 dated 7.9.18 addressed to all District superintendent of Police including Police Commissioner, Guwahati from Asstt. Inspector General of Police and PIO of Assam Police Headquarter was received by the Registry of this Commission. By that letter all the SPs and Police commissioner of Guwahati were requested to issue Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) containing clear instructions and guidelines to the OCs and Incharge of different Police Stations and Outposts under their establishment for furnishing the informations/documents required by the Insurance Companies and the investigators appointed by them for expeditious settlement of motor vehicle accident claims. The above communication was made with reference to this Commission's order dated 31.7.2018.
- (b) The intent of this commission while giving the direction to DGP in paragraph 12 of its order dated 31.7.2018 was to put in place a common SOP applicable uniformly throughout the State. Instead of doing so, the Asstt. Inspector General of Police and SPIO of Assam Police Headquarters vide his letter dated 7.9.2018 referred to above asked the Police Commissioner of Guwahati and SPs of all districts to issue their own SOPs applicable within their respective jurisdictions. **This is likely to create a situation where different police district will be following different practices, which may create confusion.**
2. (a) In response to Assam Police Headquarters' request letter dated 7.9.2018, the Superintendent of Police of Karbi Anglong District has made a written submission vide Memo No. DPU/C/18/309 dated 6.10.2018 with copy to the DGP, Assam. His WS is entered into the case records.

(b) The SP, Karbi Anglong has raised several important and pertinent points in his written statement date 06.10.2018. The DGP, Assam may take those points into account in addition to any other inputs that he might have meanwhile received from other SPs or from any other quarter.

3. In view of the above, read with this Commission's earlier order dated 31.7.2018, the DGP, Assam is directed to comply with this Commission's directions at paragraph 12 of his order dated 31.7.2018.

4. **Fix 12.30 PM on 19.11.2018 for next hearing.**

Issue notice to SPIO of office of the Director General of Police, Assam to file his written submission as well as for his personal appearance on the date of next hearing.

Sd/-

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-
Joint Registrar
Assam Information Commission.

Memo No. SIC/KP(M).166/2018/

Dated 08-10-2018

Copy to :-

1. The Asstt. Inspector General of Police & SPIO of Assam Police Headquarters, Ulubari, Guwahati-7 for information and necessary action.
2. Sri Nitumani Choudhury., C/o- P. Photostant, G.K. Complex, R.L. Baruah Road, Near City Bust Stoppage, Ganeshguri, Guwahati-6 for information
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office file.
5. Order Book.

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