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Case No. : SIC/DMJ.12 /2018 Appellant : Sri Hemram Deori

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Executive Engineer, PWD (Roads),

Dhemaji, Assam

Date of hearing : 19.11.2018

Second Appeal heard by : Sri Pinuel Basumatary, IA & AS (Retd.)

State Information Commissioner, Assam

# ORDER 19.11.2018

Sri Kanak Chandra Boro, Executive Engineer i/c, PWD (Roads), Dhemaji is present. He submitted a Written Statement dated 09.11.2018 from the First Appellate Authority.

The Appellant is absent without information.

Heard the respondent and perused the Written Statement. The information was furnished to the Appellant in response to RTI Application dated 06.10.2017 on 31.10.2017 without photocopies of the supporting documents. The same information was furnished through a letter dated 05.12.2017 and on the same date an estimate was sent to the Appellant for a total amount of Rs. 2668/- (Rupees two thousand six hundred sixty eight) as cost of photocopying requesting him to deposit the same.

In his Second Appeal dated 23.12.2017 the Appellant has stated that the cost of photocopying was sought for from him after the expiry of 71 days and that he had not received timely response inspite of his personal visit to the office of the Public Authority several times.

From the above, it is seen that the information provided was partial as the authenticated copies of the documents containing the information were not supplied. The Commission observes that the cost of photocopying was sought for much after the expiry of the stipulated time of 30 days for furnishing information. Therefore, the demand was not in order and the Public Authority ought to furnish the documents free of cost. The SPIO agreed to furnish the wanting information/documents to the Appellant free of cost.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO, office of the Executive Engineer PWD (Roads), Dhemaji State Road Sub-Division shall furnish the relevant documents containing the information sought for by the Appellant, free of cost, within 10 days of receiving this order.

The Second Appeal is hereby disposed of.

Sd/-

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

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# Memo No. SIC/DMJ.12 /2018

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- 2. The First Appellate Authority/ Executive Engineer PWD (Roads), Dhemaji, Assam for information.
- 3. The Appellant, Sri Hemram Deori, S/o- Jinaram Deori, Vill- Kapahtali Deori Gaon, PO- Janakalyan Chariali, PS- Silapather, Dist.- Dhemaji, Pin- 786 110, Assam for information.
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