



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

Case No.	NGN.252/2018
Complainant/ Appellant	Sri Durgeswar Das
Respondent	: SPIO of Nagaon Zilla Parishad, Nagaon.
Date of hearing	22.01.2019
Complaint/ Second	: Shri H. S. Das, IAS (Retd)
Appeal heard by	Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R

22.01.2019

1. The petitioner Sri Durgesar Das is absent without any information. The public authority is represented by Sri Ranjan Kumar Gohain, SPIO and i/c Executive Engineer of Nagaon Zilla Parishad accompanied by Sri Manik Saikia, Sr. Assistant Accountant of Lumding Development Block. The second appeal petition dated 22.2.2018 is taken up for hearing ex parte in absence of the petitioner. The CEO and first appellate authority of Nagaon Zilla Parishad has sent a written statement dated 21.1.2019 stating that the petitioner's RTI petition dated 27.11.2017 was transferred to the SPIO of Lumding Development Block since the sought for informations are held by the concerned Development Block vide letter dated 30.11.2017. On receipt of the first appeal petition dated 4.1.2018 the first appellate authority fixed 21.2.2018 for hearing. The appellant was absent. The SPIO of Lumding Development Block informed the RTI applicant vide letter dated 15.12.2017 requesting to deposit an amount of Rs.1288/- being the fee to meet the photo copying charges of the documents sought for by the petitioner.

2. The BDO of Lumding Development Block sent a separate written submission dated 21.1.2019 enclosing a copy of his letter dated 15.12.2017 containing the break-up of the cost and a request to the applicant to deposit the said amount so that the sought for informations can be sent to him by post or the petitioner can come personally and collect the same from the concerned authority. The representative of Lumding Dev. Block who was present today produced before this Commission a bunch of photocopy of documents running into 644 pages, which have been kept ready for furnishing to the petitioner after payment of the required fees.

3. The Commission notes that the SPIO of Lumding Dev. Block informed the petitioner to deposit the required fees for meeting the cost of photo copying the documents well within 30 days of receipt of the RTI petition.

4. In view of the above, the petitioner/appellant is directed to deposit the required fees to the SPIO of Lumding Dev. Block within 7 days from the date of receipt of this order and collect the sought for information. If he cannot collect the same personally he may request the concerned SPIO to send it by post. In that case the appellant should send a request letter to the SPIO within 7 days from the date of receipt of this order. If no action is taken by the appellant as ordered above then it may be presumed that he is no longer interested in paying the required cost and in receiving the sought for informations and therefore the matter will be treated as closed.

With the above order the second appeal petition is disposed of.

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

Authenticated true copy.
Sd/-
Registrar i/c
Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/NGN 252/2018

Dated. 22.01.2019

Copy to:

1. The SPIO of Nagaon Zilla Parishad, Nagaon, Assam
for information. and necessary action.
2. Sri Durgeswar Das, Christian Patty, P.O. & Dist Nagaon, PIN 782001.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office File.
5. Order Book.

Registrar i/c
Assam Information Commission