



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

Case No. : KP(M).1307/2018
Complainant/ appellant : Shri Anuj Kumar Baruah
Respondent : SPIO of Assam Co-operative State Housing
Federation Ltd.
Date of hearing : 19.03.2019
Complaint/ Second : Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd)
Appeal heard by : Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R
19.03.2019

The petitioner/appellant Shri Anuj Kumar Baruah is present. The public authority, i.e. Housefed is represented by their SPIO Shri Pradip Sarma and APIO Shri Mrinal Saikia. The second appeal petition dated 24.8.2018 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

The Managing Director and first appellate authority of Housefed sent a written statement dated 13th March, 2019, which is entered into the case records.

From perusal of the case records it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 5.2.2018 seeking informations about service rules, service conditions, recruitment procedure, etc. of Housefed's Public Relations Officer and Asstt. Public Relations Officer against ten (10) different points. In his RTI petition Housefed responded vide their letter dated 4.4.2018 stating that no public interest is involved in the RTI petition and therefore, the sought for informations could not be furnished to him. This Commission would like to put on records that the position taken by the Housefed is not consistent with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The informations sought for by the petitioner appear to be admissible under the RTI Act, 2005. However, this Commission is also of the view that informations sought for by the petitioner are voluminous, which will require compilation from different files and records.

The SPIO of Housefed said orally that they have already made photocopies of the sought for informations for furnishing to the petitioner. The SPIO of Housefed was directed to hand over the informations brought by him to the petitioner today free of cost. The SPIO of Housefed is further directed to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant records during office hours on any working day within 15 days from the date of this order if the petitioner needs any further clarification or additional informations within the ambit of his RTI petition dated 5.2.2018, and also allow him to take notes and photocopies of such informations free of cost upto 25 pages thereafter on payment of Rs. 2.00 for every additional page of photocopy.

With the above order, the second appeal petition dated 24.8.2018 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/ KP(M).1307/2018/

Dated. 19.03.2019

Copy to: 1. The SPIO of the office of the Housefed, Housefed Complex, Dispur,
Guwahati-6 for information and necessary action.
2. Shri Anuj Kumar Baruah, Shiva Nath Gogoi Path, House No. 27, Bagharbari,
Panjabari, Guwahati-37 for information.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office File.
5. Order Book

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