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Case No. : SIC/KP(M).242 /2018

Appellant : Sri Dulal Bora

Respondent : 1. The SPIO, O/o the W.P.T. & B.C. Department, Dispur,

Janata Bhawan, Guwahati- 6

2. The SPIO, O/o the Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled

Caste, Assam, Sorumotoria, Dispur, Guwahati- 6

Date of hearing : 09.05.2019

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

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER

09.05.2019

A Written Statement dated 06.05.2019 received from the Deputy Secretary to the Government of Assam & SPIO, WPT & BC Department, Dispur who was notified of today's hearing.

Sri Jagadish Das, Research Assistant/SPIO, Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled Caste, Assam is present.

A Written Statement dated 02.05.2019 received from the SPIO, Chief Secretary's office.

The Appellant, Sri Dulal Bora is present.

Perused the Written Statement of the SPIO, Chief Secretary's office. The RTI Application dated 09.08.2016 was received on 17.08.2016 and transferred to the SPIO, WPT & BC Department on 17.08.2016. As regards, the First Appeal dated 16.05.2017, the Appellant was informed that the Chief Secretary was not the First Appellate Authority and therefore he could submit his Appeal to the concerned Department directly. It has further been added that the Appellant's Complaint letter dated 17.06.2015 on which he had sought information had been transferred to the Commissioner & Secretary, WPT & BC Department on 20.06.2015. Copies of the relevant correspondences have been enclosed for evidence.

Perused the Written Statement of the SPIO, WPT & BC Department. The RTI Application was received on transfer from the office of the Chief Secretary on 17.08.2016 and transferred to the Directorate of Welfare of SC, Assam on 30.08.2016. As regards the First Appeal, it was transferred erroneously to the Managing Director, Assam State Development Corporation for Welfare of SC. Subsequently, the Directorate of Welfare of SC, Assam furnished replies to the Appellant through a letter dated 30.09.2016.

Heard the SPIO, office of the Directorate of Welfare of SC, Assam. He submitted that based on record of his office he could confirm that the information was provided and the receipt of the same has been acknowledged by the Appellant.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he had indeed received the information furnished by the Directorate of Welfare of SC, Assam. However, the same was not to-the-point with reference to his RTI Application and the Complaint letter referred to therein.

The SPIO submitted that he would review the information already provided and based on the material on record furnish another response. The Commission therefore hereby orders that the SPIO, office of the Directorate of Welfare of SC, Assam shall review the information already provided with reference to the RTI Application dated 09.08.2016 and furnish afresh to-the-point response to the Appellant, free of cost, within 15 days of receiving this order.

With the above direction, the Second Appeal is hereby disposed of.

Sd/-

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

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Sd/-Joint Registrar Assam Information Commission

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- 1. The SPIO, O/o the Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled Caste, Assam, Sorumotoria, Dispur, Guwahati- 6 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The SPIO, O/o the W.P.T. & B.C. Department, Dispur, Janata Bhawan, Guwahati- 6 for information and necessary action.
- 3. The First Appellate Authority/Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled Caste, Assam, Sorumotoria, Dispur, Guwahati- 6 for information.
- 4. The Appellant, Sri Dulal Bora, Kainadhara Tiniali, House No.- 118, Khanapara, Guwahati- 781 022 for information.
- 5. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 6. Office File.

Joint Registrar Assam Information Commission