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Case No. : SIC/GLT.43 /2018
Appellant : Sri Raju Bhowmik

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Golaghat Municipal Board, Golaghat,

Assam

Date of hearing : 08.04.2019

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

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 08.04.2019

The Petitioner, Sri Raju Bhowmik is present along with an assistant.

The SPIO absent without information.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he had received a letter dated 15.09.2018 from the SPIO and Vice Chairman, Golaghat Municipal Board stating that some more time was required to furnish the information and that he (the Appellant) would be informed as soon as the information was ready. However, he has not received any further communication from the Public Authority.

In the absence of the responding Public Authorities, the status of collection of the information for furnishing the same to the Appellant could not be ascertained. The SPIO has not submitted any Witten Statement and has not explained as to why penalty U/S 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 should not be imposed on him for his failure to furnish the information sought for within the time stipulated.

Considering the facts of the case as brought out above, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO, office of the Golaghat Municipal Board shall furnish the information to the Appellant, free of cost, within 10 days of receiving this order. The issue of imposition of penalty etc. shall be considered again if any Complaint is received from the Appellant about non-compliance by the SPIO.

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 Golaghat Municipal Board, Golaghat, Dist.- Golaghat, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Golaghat Municipal Board, Golaghat, Dist.- Golaghat, Assam for information.
- 3. The Appellant, Sri Raju Bhowmik, Harish Baruah Path, Ward No. 8, Dist.- Golaghat, Assam for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

Joint Registrar Assam Information Commission