

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

Case No. : DBR.31/2018

Complainant/ appellant : Shri Promud Kumar Baruah

Respondent : SPIO of the office of the Assam State Housing Board

Date of hearing : 27.6.2019

Complaint/ Second : Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd)

Appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 27.6.2019

1. The petitioner Shri Promud Kr. Baruah is present accompanied by Shri R.N. Barpujari to assist him. The public authority, i.e. Assam State Housing Board (ASHB) is also present as represented by :- (i) Shri S.K. Khobung, SPIO and Addl. Chief Housing Officer, ASHB, (ii) Shri Utpal Hazari, Zonal Housing Officer, ASHB and (iii) Shri Kameswar Das, Accounts Officer i/c of ASHB. The second appeal petition dated 10.9.2018 read with RTI petition dated 15.6.2018 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

2. The Commissioner and first appellate authority of ASHB as well as the SPIO of ASHB have submitted two separate written statements, both dated 26.6.2019, which have been entered into the case records. The Commissioner and first appellate authority submitted that he took over as Commissioner of ASHB on 19.03.2019 and that his predecessor did not take any step on the RTI petition. He has prayed for some time to furnish the sought for information. Similar prayer has also been made by the SPIO. From perusal of the RTI petition it is seen that the petitioner sought information about the outstanding balance in all bank accounts of Assam State Housing Board as on 15.6.2918. This is an admissible information under the RTI Act, 2005. The SPIO is, therefore, directed to furnish the sought for information to the petitioner within 15 days from the date of this order, which was pronounced in presence of both the parties.

With the above order, the second appeal petition dated 10.9.2018 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/ DBR.31/2018/

Dated. 27.6.2019

- Copy to: 1. The Commissioner/ First Appellate Authority, Assam State Housing Board, R.G. Baruah Road, Guwahati-5 for information and necessary action.
 - 2. The SPIO of Assam State Housing Board, R. G. Baruah Road, Guwahati-5 for information and necessary action.
 - 3. Shri Promud Kr. Baruah, C/o- Mrs. Anjali Baruah, Qqrt. No. 6, K.V. Teachers' Colony, PO- Duliajan, Duliajan, Assam, PIN-786602 for information.
 - 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
 - 5. Office File.
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