

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

Case No. : KP(M).385/2019 Complainant/ appellant : Shri Utpal Das

Respondent : SPIO of the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup(M)

Date of hearing : 8.7.2019

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

Appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 8.7.2019

- 1. The petitioner Shri Utpal Das is absent. However, he has sent an e-mail dated 8th July, 2019 stating that he was unable to attend today's hearing due to heavy rain and prayed for ex parte order in his absence. The public authority, i.e. the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M) is present as represented by Shri Lachit Kr. Das, ACS, Addl. Deputy Commissioner and SPIO of the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M) district accompanied by Shri B.B. Bhagawati, ACS, ADC-cum-CEO, District Disaster Management Authority. The second appeal petition dated 27.11.2018 read with the RTI petition dated 30.7.2018 is taken up for hearing ex parte in the absence of the petitioner.
- The ASPIO of the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M) has sent a 2. written statement dated 5.7.2019, which is entered into the case records. It has been mentioned in the WS that the SPIO of the office of the DC, Kamrup (M) transferred the RTI petition to ADC-cum-CEO, District Disaster Management Authority, Kamrup (M) district vide letter dated 9.8.2018. The ADC and CEO, DDMA, Kamrup (M) informed the petitioner vide letter No. KRR- 65/2016/81(A)/702 dated 28.8.2018 that the reply to his RTI petition involves a large number of documents. The petitioner was requested to physically verify the relevant records and obtain the relevant documents required by him by paying the cost required for making photocopies of the same. Again on 28.2.2019 the first appellate authority and DC, Kamrup (M) passed an order directing ADC, Disaster Management Branch to provide whatever information is available within 7 days from the date of receipt of the order. In the preceding paragraph of the same order the FAA mentioned that ADC and CEO, DDMA had already furnished required informations to the petitioner vide letter dated 28.8.2018. The order of the FAA appears to be confusing.
- 3. From perusal of the RTI petition this Commission is of the view that the sought for informations will be voluminous and therefore, the petitioner should inspect the relevant records and then obtain photocopies of documents sought for by him by paying the cost of photocopy at the rate of Rs. 2.00 per page of photocopy as was already requested by the ADC and CEO, DDMA vide letter 28.8.2018. The petitioner is directed to do inspection of records within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order and the

Addl. Deputy Commission and CEO, DDMA, Kamrup (M) is directed to comply with the orders accordingly.

With the above, the second appeal petition dated 27.11.2018 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).385/2019/

Dated. 8.7.2019

- Copy to: 1. The Addl. Deputy Commissioner and SPIO of the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M), Guwahati-1 for information.
 - 2. The Addl. Deputy Commissioner and CEO, District Disaster Management Authority, Kamrup (M) district, office of the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (M), Guwahati-1 for information and necessary action.
 - 3. Shri Utpal Das, House No. 41, Rang Pathar Path Bye Lane, Fatashil Ambari, Guwahati 25 for information and necessary action as ordered above.
 - 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
 - 5. Office File.
 - 6. Order Book

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