

OFFICE OF THE ASSAM INFORMATIONS COMMISSION JONAKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-781037

Case No : SIC/KP(M).415/2019 Complainant/ Appellant : Shri Rajib Lochan Das

Respondent : SPIO, Office of the Director of Health Services, Assam

Date of hearing : 11.7.2019

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

Appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER

11.7.2019

- 1. The petitioner/ appellant Shri Rajib Lochan Das is present. The respondent is represented by (i) Dr. Rajib Kr. Sarma, Additional Director of Health Services (ii) Sri Bijoy Sarma, Jr.AA and (iii) Sri Subhash Sarma, Internal Auditor. The second appeal petition dated 27.11.2018 read with RTI petition dated 14.8.2018 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.
- 2. From perusal of the case records, it is seen that the petitioner applied with necessary treasury challan for the posts of Ward Boy, Ward Girl and Nigh Chowkidar in response to advertisement No. Janasanyog/D/10848/17. His grievance is that he did not get any call letter. So he went to the office of the DHS on 27.7.2018 and met the Director of Health Services. He was informed that it was already too late and that the recruitment process has already been completed by filling up the Vacancies. Being aggrieved, the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 14.8.2018 seeking several informations focusing mainly on who were called for interview/selection test and why the appellant Sri Rajib Lochan Das was not called. The Additional DHS Dr. Rajib Kr. Sarma submitted orally that initially applications were called offline. Subsequently it was decided to invite applications online. He further submitted that Shri Rajib Lochan Das did not apply online and that this is why he might not have been called for the selection test.
- 3. The appellant Sri Rajib Lochan Das submitted the he would like to know who took the decision to replace that offline applications by online applications, when, where and how it was notified and how many candidates applied offline and how many of them did not apply online. This Commission is of the view that going through the nature of the informations sought for, it will be appropriate that the appellant exercises his right to information by inspection of relevant records, particularly the original file note sheets where the decision was taken to replace offline applications by online applications. The SPIO of DHS is, therefore, directed to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant records

mentioned above during office hours on any working day within 15 days from the date of this order which was pronounced in presence of both the parties and allow the petitioner to take notes and photocopies of relevant documents free of cost upto 25 pages and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2.00 for every additional page of photocopy.

4. In view of the above, the second appeal petition dated 27.11.2018 is disposed of.

Sd/(H. S. Das)
Chief Information Commissioners, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Registrar i/c Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/ KP(M).415/2019

Dated. 11.7.2019

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO of the office of the Director of Health Service, Assam, Hengrabari, Guwahati-36, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 2. The Petitioner, Shri Rajib Lochan Das, S/o- Pradip Ch. Das, Vill & P.O- Pandu, Sadilapur, P.S- Jalukbari, Dist- Kamrup(M), Assam, PIN-781012 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File
- 5. Order Book

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