



**OFFICE OF THE
ASSAM INFORMATION COMMISSION
JONAKKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-781037**

Case No : SIC/BNG.7/2019
 Complainant/ Appellant : Sri Rajib Ahmed.
 Respondent : The SPIO, Office of the BDO, Manikpur Development Block
 P.O- Manikpur, Dist- Bongaigaon, PIN-783382.
 Date of hearing : 16.7.2019
 Complaint/ Second : Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.)
 Appeal heard by : State Information Commissioner, Assam
 Date of order : 16.7.2019

O R D E R
16.7.2019

The petitioner Sri Rajib Ahmed has informed that he will not be able to attend today's hearing due to his illness. The public authority to be represented by the SPIO of the office of the BDO, Manikpur Development Block is absent.

The SPIO of the office of the BDO, Manikpur Development Block has furnished a copy of the reply sent to the petitioner vide letter dated 21.12.2018. Copy of the same has been marked to the Joint Registrar of Assam Information Commission which has been received today i.e. 16.7.2019.

On Perusal of the reply furnished by the SPIO of the office of the Manikpur Development Block, it is seen that the reply furnished does not relate to the RTI petition filed by the petitioner, Sri Rajib Ahmed on 5.10.2018. The SPIO has furnished information relating to water supply schemes, whereas the petitioner has sought information relating to various schemes i.e. BRGF, 13th Finance Commission, 14th Finance Commission and MGNREGA for the years 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 implemented through Anchalik Panchayat and Gaon Panchayat.

This Commission however observes that the information sought for by the petitioner vide his RTI petition dated 5.10.2018 involves a huge volume of information relating to several categories of information for several years. Furnishing of complete information by making photocopies will require compilation of records and will involve substantial cost in making photocopies. This will definitely lead to huge burden on the manpower and resources of the concerned public authority.

The Commission therefore, directs the petitioner to inspect the relevant office records and documents in the office of the SPIO Manikpur Development Block for schemes implemented through Anchalik Panchayat and in the office of the Secretaries of Gaon Panchayat for schemes implemented by the Gaon Panchayat within 21 days from the date of receipt of this order and complete inspection of documents during office hours. The petitioner will give atleast 2 days notice to the public authority concerned for inspection of documents.

The SPIO of the office of the Manikpur Development Block and all the Secretaries of Gaon Panchayats are also directed to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant records

and documents and allow him to take notes and photocopies of documents free of cost upto 20 pages and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2.00/- for every additional page of photocopy.

With the above direction, the second appeal petition dated 25.1.2019 is disposed of.

Sd/-

(Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.))
State Information Commissioners, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.



Joint Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/BNG.7/2019

Dated. 16.7.2019

Copy to:

1. The SPIO, Office of the BDO, Manikpur Development Block, P.O- Manikpur, Dist- Bongaigaon, Assam, Pin-783382 for information and necessary action. You are also requested to serve a copy of this order to all the Gaon Panchayats' Secretaries. (Copy enclosed).
2. The First Appellate Authority, Office of the BDO, Manikpur Development Block, P.O- Manikpur, Dist- Bongaigaon, PIN-783382 for information and necessary action.
3. The Secretary of Alukhunda GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
4. The Secretary of Baghmara Chauraguri GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
5. The Secretary of Bashabari Salabila GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
6. The Secretary of Bhandara GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
7. The Secretary of Dangaigaon GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
8. The Secretary of Goraimari GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
9. The Secretary of Hapachara GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
10. The Secretary of Jhaobari GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
11. The Secretary of Manikpur GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
12. The Secretary of Noapara GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
13. The Secretary of Palengbari GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
14. The Secretary of Patiladaha GP, Dist- Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
15. The Petitioner, Sri Rajib Ahemd, President Tapattari Social Dev. Organization, R/O- Abhayapuri Town, W/No- IV(Nayapara), P.O&P.S- Abhayapuri, Dist- Bongaigaon, Assam, M.No-9957786743 for information
16. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
17. Office File
18. Order Book



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