





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

Case No. : SIC/HLK.12 /2020

Appellant : Sri Abul Fazal Barbhuiya

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Block Development Officer, Lala Dev.

Block, Hailakandi

Date of hearing : 15.10.2020

Second Appeal heard by : Sri Kanak Ch. Sarma, ACS (Retd.)

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 15.10.2020

The appellant is absent without step.

Sri Taj Uddin Mazarbhuiya, Assistant BDO-cum-SPIO, Lala Development Block is present. He submits one authorization letter of the BDO, Lala Dev. Block bearing no. LDB/RD/349/RTI/2018-19 dated 13.10.2020 whereby the BDO has authorized him to appear in today's hearing. He has enclosed one letter bearing no. LDB/RD/363/RTI/2018-19 dated 01.12.2019 and one list of schemes under MGNREGA showing expenditure statement as per MIS.

Seen the case record. The appellant submitted RTI petition dated 25.03.2019 to the SPIO, o/o the BDO, Lala Dev. Block seeking certain informations. For not being provided with the sought for informations he submitted First Appeal dated 20.05.2019 to the CEO, Hailakandi Zilla Parishad. From the Second Appeal petition dated 19.08.2019 which was received by the Commission on 05.09.2019, it is seen that the CEO, HZP passed an order on 22.05.2019 directing the BDO, Lala Dev. Block to furnish the information to the appellant within 7 days. This order was not complied with for which Second Appeal was preferred before the Commission.

Seen the letter of the BDO, Lala Dev. Block. It is informed that he has requested the appellant to search MGNREGA website where informations sought for are available in public domain. He also furnished the appellant a list of schemes of MGNREGA under Lala Dev. Block for the years 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 vide letter no. LDB/RD/363/RTI/2018-19 dated 01.12.2019.

The informations seems to have been furnished to the appellant so the Second Appeal is disposed of but it is also observed that the SPIO of Lala Dev. Block did not take timely action against the RTI petition dated 25.03.2019. He took more than six months' time to furnish the information to the appellant even after the order of FAA. This sort of action by the SPIO is viewed seriously by the Commission. The Commission therefore directs the SPIO, o/o the BDO, Lala Dev. Block to act as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 in furnishing informations to the appellant in future.

Sd/-Kanak Ch. Sarma, ACS (Retd.) State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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- 1. The SPIO, O/o the Block Development Officer, Lala Dev. Block, Dist.- Hailakandi, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 2. First Appellate Authority/office of the Chief Executive Officer, Hailakandi Zilla Parishad, Hailakandi, Assam for information.
- 3. The Appellant, Sri Abul Fazal Barbhuiya, S/o- Saidul Haque Barbhuiya, Vill- Bilpar Dhumkar, PO- Rangauti, PS & Dist.- Hailakandi, Assam, Pin- 788 155 for information.
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