

Case No. : SIC/KP(M).179/2021
Complainant/ Appellant : Joydeb Das
Respondent : SPIO of the Office of Agriculture Department,
Dispur, Guwahati - 06
Date of Hearing : 20-08-2021
Complaint/ Second : Dr. A.P.Rout,
Appeal heard by : State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R
20/08/2021

1. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das is absent. However, he has sent an email dated 20.8.2021 wherein he has mentioned that due to his health reason he is unable to attend today's hearing. The petitioner in his mail has also mentioned that he not received any information sought by him.
2. The Public Authority is represented by Sri Nabin Chandra Ingty, Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of Assam & SPIO, Agriculture Deptt. Dispur and he is accompanied by Bijoy Ch. Sarma, SPIO, Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara and Roopjyoti Saharia, Secy., Agriculture Department.
3. The petitioner has filed his RTI application on 12.4.2021 seeking following information:
(a) Whether any action has been taken in pursuance of letter dated 27.06.2020 till date. If yes, please furnish a copy of the same.
(b) If no any action has been taken till date. Please furnish reason thereof.
4. On perusal it is found that letter received from Prime Minister's Office, New Delhi at the office of Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam, Secretariat, Dispur, Guwahati was transferred to Addl.Chief Secy., Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department, Dispur – 06 dated 19.4.2021.
5. The SPIO of Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department has sent a letter to Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt. of Assam, Agriculture Department vide letter no. FSA.39/2021/19 dated 28.6.2021 wherein it is mentioned that the RTI application is transferred u/s 6(3) of RTI Act, 2005 along with the copy of 1st appeal dated 17/05/2021 with all enclosures, as the information sought for pertains to Agriculture Department.
6. The 1st Appellate Authority has submitted a written statement vide No. AGA.337/2021/4 dated Dispur, 19th August,2021 wherein it is mentioned that the Agriculture Department has not received any appeal petition of the petitioner in this regard and hence no steps has been taken from their department.
7. The Commission accepts the written statement of the 1st Appellate Authority of Agriculture Department, Dispur, Guwahati 06.
8. The SPIO of Agriculture Department has submitted a written statement dated 20.8.2021 which is taken into records. In the written statement, the SPIO has mentioned that RTI application was transferred to Directorate of Agriculture vide letter no. AGA.263/2013/258 dated 15.7.2021.
9. Also, when the hearing was fixed in this Commission an action taken report was also sought from the SPIO of Directorate of Agriculture and the same was submitted by SPIO and Deputy Director of Agriculture (ST&S) vide letter no. AGRI/RTI/8478/Pt-II/2021/66, Dated 18/8/2021.
10. Accordingly, the Commission decides to fix another date of hearing and issue notices to both the parties i.e., SPIO and the petitioner to appear on the next date of hearing.
11. **Fix 14.9.2021 at 12:00 PM as the next date of hearing.**

Sd/-
(Dr. A.P. Rout)

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-
Secretary & Registrar
Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 20.8.2021

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1. The SPIO of the Office of Agriculture Department, Dispur, Guwahati 06 for information. He is to remain present on the next date of hearing.
2. The SPIO of the Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara, Guwahati 22 for information. He is to remain present on the next date of hearing.
3. The petitioner Shri Joydeb Das, S/o Late Karunamoy Das, H.No-16, Kushal Konwar Road, Near Mayur Krishna Cinema Hall, Ambari Fatashil, Ghy-25, Assam for information. He is to remain present on the next date of hearing
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
5. Office File.
6. Order Book.

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