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Case No. : SIC/GLT.28/2020
Appellant : Sri Lokhya Jyoti Saikia
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Secretary, Dhekial Gaon Panchayat
Date of hearing : 18.11.2021
Second Appeal heard by : Sri Kanak Ch. Sarma
State Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R
18.11.2021

The appellant Sri Lokhya Jyoti Saikia is present.

Sri Gautom Kumar Bora, Secretary, Dhekial Gaon Panchayat is present. He submits written statement vide letter no. Nil dated 18.11.2021. It is submitted that he is not aware of the RTI petition dated 19.02.2020 submitted by the appellant. He came to know about the petition only on receipt of the notice issued from the Commission. Thereafter, he tried to collect the informations with the help of his predecessor and accordingly issued him letter and also informed over Whats App to help him to prepare the sought for informations. But he did not receive the cooperation from his predecessor and for the same, he is not able to furnish the sought for informations.

Perused the case record and also seen the application dated 19.02.2020. From a plain reading of the application, it is observed that the informations are very much part of the record to be maintained by the GP office. However, it is also observed that the petitioner submitted the application seeking informations before the SPIO and Secretary, Dhekial GP but while he did not receive the sought for informations he submitted 1st appeal petition dated 06.05.2020 before the President of the GP which is not proper as the GP President is an elected representative and not the custodian of the record and for this no action could be initiated.

Since the sought for informations are part of record to be maintained by the GP Secretary, he is directed to furnish the desired informations within 15 days of receipt of this order to the appellant, free of cost.

With the above directions, the 2nd appeal is hereby disposed of.

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

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Secretary & Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/GLT.28/2020

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1. The SPIO, O/o the Secretary, Dhekial Gaon Panchayat, Dist.- Golaghat,, Assam, Pin- 785 622 for information and necessary action.
2. The First Appellate Authority/office of the Secretary, Dhekial Gaon Panchayat, Dist.- Golaghat,, Assam, Pin- 785 622 for information.
3. The Appellant, Sri Lokhyajyoti Saikia, S/o- Sri Jagat Saikia, Vill & PO- Dhekial, Dist.- Golaghat, Assam, Pin- 785 622 Contact No. 7002796123 for information.
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