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Case No.	:SIC/DHR 70/2021
Complainant/ Appellant : Biswanath Kundu	
Respondent	:SPIO, O/o the Basugaon Municipal Board, Assam
Date of Hearing	:12/01/2022
Complaint/ Second	: Dr. A.P.Rout,
Appeal heard by	State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

<u>ORDER</u> 12/01/2022

- 1. The petitioner Sri Biswanath Kundu has filed his RTI petition on 3.8.2021 before the PIO of Municipal Board, Basugaon, Ward No. 1, Dist. Chirang, Assam seeking some information about death certificate of petitioner's uncle.
- 2. In response to that, the Executive Officer of Basugaon Municipal Board sent a letter dated 7.10.2021 to the petitioner wherein he has mentioned that no death certificate as per the prescribed Government format in the name of Sri Satya Ranjan Kundu has been issued from their office.
- 3. Then the petitioner submitted a representation dated 18.10.2021 along with the RTI petition before the Executive Officer cum SPIO, O/o the Basugaon Municipal Board, P.O Basugaon, Chirang District requesting to furnish the certified copy of the extract of the death register concerned etc relating to records of Late Satya Ranjan Kundu in any format and he also requested to transfer the application where death certificate is available.
- 4. In pursuance to the above, the Executive Officer of Basugaon Municipal Board transferred the petition to the SPIO, O/o the Joint Director of Health Services, Chirang, Kajalgaon and the SPIO of Mini Primary Health Centre Basugaon, Chirang on 25.10.2021.
- 5. The petitioner also submitted a complaint petition before the Commission on 18.10.2021 and accordingly the matter was taken up for hearing today on google meet in which the Chief Executive Officer of Basugaon Municipal Board appeared and clarified his position as above.

The Public Authority is represented by Amit Ranjan Barman, SPIO & Executive Officer, Basugaon Municipal Board, Dist. Chirang, BTC, Assam.

- 6. Dr. G. Hajong, SPIO, Deemed PIO and i/c Medical Officer of Basugaon Mini Primary Health Centre came online through video conferencing in which he intimated that no death certificate is issued from his hospital.
- 7. The Joint Director of Health Services Chirang, Kajalgaon also intimated that death certificate is not issued.
- 8. The petitioner in his written statement as well as in Google Meet intimated that all the three SPIOs may be directed to take efforts to search the records once again and to transfer the application to their counterparts of the other district concerned where the information would be available.
- In light of the above statement, particularly the assertion made by the Executive Officer of Basugaon Municipal Board that presently no death certificate is issued by the Municipality, <u>the Commission decides to hear this matter again physically</u> <u>when the Covid situation improves.</u>

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Secretary & Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/DHR.70/2021

Dtd. 12.1.2022

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, O/o the Basugaon Municipal Board, P.O Basugaon, Chirang Dist. BTC Assam 783372 for information.
- 2. The petitioner Sri Biswanath Kundu, Pound Road, Ward No. 4, Dhubri, Assam 783301 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
- 5. Order Book.

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