



ASSAM INFORMATION COMMISSION

JONAKEE COMPLEX, SHILPGRAM ROAD, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI- 781037
Phone: (0361) 2332704, 2337900, 2331193:: Fax: 2332704:: email: secretary.sicassam@gmail.com

Case No. : SIC/KP(M)33/2022 Complainant/ Appellant : Sri Joydeb Das

Respondent : SPIO, Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara,

Guwahati 22

The Director of Agriculture, Khanapara,

Guwahati 22,

Date of Hearing : 23/02/2022 Complaint/ Second : Dr. A.P.Rout,

Appeal heard by State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R

- 1. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das has filed one RTI petition before the Public Information Officer, Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara, Guwahati on 30.11.2021 seeking following information:
 - (a) Whether any enquiry committee was formed by the Director of Agriculture/Department in connection with anomalies (Gauripur P.S Case No.217/20) of distribution of Diesel/Solar Pump set under RIDF Scheme to the farmers during the period 2018-19 in District Agriculture Office, Dhubri Division, if yes, please furnish following details:
 - (i) Please furnish a copy of an official order to form Enquiry Committee, along with a copy of an Enquiry Report and list of documents submitted to the said Police Station/seized.
 - (ii) If any departmental action has been taken against the then Executive Engineer i/c, Rekib Ahmed, J.E., Prasanta Das and contractors, if yes, please furnish a copy of action taken report.
 - (iii) Please furnish a copy allotment of diesel and solar pump set and fund involved and released.
 - (iv) Please furnish copy of all the correspondence was done between the Executive Engineer i/c, DAO, Dhubri Divison and Nodal Officer, RIDF Scheme, Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara for release of payment to the supplier, along with copy of all the file noting in connection with released of payment and a copy of released order.
 - (v) If any payment has been realized, if yes, please furnish which procedure following prior release of payment, when a case has already registered in the Gauripur P.S.
 - (vi) If no any departmental action has been taken against erring officers and contractors till date, please furnish reason thereof.
 - (vii) Please furnish a copy of Govt. sanction letter, ceiling proposal and ceiling released, if any.
- On perusal of the records, it is seen that petition was transferred to the Nodal Officer, RIDF, O/o the Chief Engineer (Agri.), Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara, Guwahati on 1.12.2021 and reply was given to the petitioner on 27.12.2021.
- 3. On receipt of alleged incomplete information, the petitioner filed a complaint petition u/s 18(1) of the RTI Act,2005 before the Commission on 17.1.2022 and accordingly the matter was taken up for hearing.

However, he has prayed before the Commission to convert his complaint petition into 2nd appeal petition.

4. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das is present.

- 5. The Public Authority is represented by Sri Bijoy Ch. Sarma, SPIO, DDA (ST &S) and he is accompanied by Sri Puranjoy Goswami, Executive Engineer(Agriculture).
- 6. The SPIO of Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara has submitted a written statement dated 21.2.2022 which is taken into records.
- 7. The petitioner reiterated that the information provided is not specific and the SPIO of the Directorate cannot take the plea that he is not aware of the fact as he has produced a letter of the Director addressed to the Superintendent of Police, Dhubri District, on the FIR No. 217/2020 of Gauripur P.S requesting him to apply due diligence and ensure the public service is not restricted by any police action without sanction of Government.

The Copy of the letter was marked to the Executive Engineer (Agri), Gauripur.

- 8. Further, he mentioned that even if they are not aware of the case No. 217/20, but the reply on other points from 1(a) to 1(g) on Departmental action, allotment of diesel and solar pump set, release of fund, Government sanction letters, ceiling proposal are not given.
- 9. In light of the production of the letter of the Director of Agriculture, Khanapara to the Superintendent of Police, Dhubri and non specific reply given by the SPIO/Deemed PIO, the Commission directs them to submit the reply within fifteen days.
- 10. The case is conditionally disposed off.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Secretary & Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/KP(M)33/2022/21

Dtd. 23.2.2022

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara, Guwahati 22 for information and necessary action as ordered above
- 2. Sri Puranjoy Goswami, Executive Engineer(Agriculture) & Deemed PIO, Directorate of Agriculture, Khanapara, Guwahati 22 for information and necessary action as ordered above.
- 3. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das, S/O Lt. Karunamoy Das, H.No.16, Kushal Konwar Road, Near Mayur Krishna Cinema Hall, Ambari Fatashil, Guwahati 25 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.
- 6. Order Book.

Secretary & Registrar Assam Information Commission