

**Case No.** : SIC/KP(M).417/2021  
**Complainant/ Appellant** : Joydeb Das  
**Respondent** : SPIO, Directorate of Kaziranga National Park,  
Bokakhat, Assam  
**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**  
**23/02/2022**

1. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das has filed one RTI petition before the Public Information Officer, Directorate of Kaziranga National Park, Bokakhat on 1.11.2021 seeking following information:  
Required Information: Visitors Ticket  
(a) Please furnish in details of an amount earned from ticket sold to visitors for visit in Kaziranga National Park during the period 2018-19 to till date, along with details of an expenditure made which fund has collected from sold of ticket to visitors and copy of all bill and voucher.
2. The petitioner says this letter was received at the Directorate of Kaziranga National Park on 11.11.2021.
3. The SPIO, O/o the Director, Kaziranga National Park & Tiger Reserve, Bokakhat Assam has transferred this letter on 29.11.2021 showing the receipt seal of the letter to be on 23.11.2021.
4. From the statement of the petitioner and from the documents/statements of the SPIO, it seems that there is dispute on the date of receipt of the letter. The Commission does not want to enquire into it. However, accepting the date of receipt to be 23.11.2021, the letter was transferred to the SPIOs of field division on 29.11.2021 i.e., six days which is violation of the RTI Act as it should be transferred within five days.
5. On non receipt of the information, the petitioner filed a complaint petition u/s 18(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 before the Commission on 22.12.2021 and accordingly the matter was taken up for hearing.
6. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das is present.
7. The Public Authority is represented by Khangasingh Dekaraja, DCF, SPIO, O/o the Field Division, Kaziranga National Park and Tiger Reserve and he is accompanied by Champak Deka, Assistant Conservator of Forest, SPIO, O/o the Nagaon Wildlife Division, Nagaon, Katimari, Nayanjyoti Rajbongshi, Assistant Conservator of Forests, SPIO, O/o the Eastern Assam Wildlife Division, Bokakhat, Jatindra Mohan Das, FRO of Forest, SPIO, O/o the Biswanath Wildlife Division Biswanath Chariali.
8. The petitioner pointed out that he has not got any information, he would like to convert his complaint petition into 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal i.e., supplying of the information.
9. From the reply of the Deemed PIOs, it is seen that the SPIO of Biswanath Wildlife Division, Biswanath Chariali has sent a compiled list of collection and expenditure during the period asked by the petitioner.
10. Whereas the other two Deemed PIOs i.e., Assistant Conservator of Forest, SPIO, O/o the Eastern Assam Wildlife Division Bokakhat and Assistant Conservator of Forest, SPIO, O/o the Nagaon Wildlife Division, Nagaon have routinely sent letters of Sri Joydeb Das stating that documents are huge and petitioner should inspect the documents and collect the photocopies on payment.

11. From the above and from the reply of the Deemed PIO of Biswanath Wildlife Division, it is clear that the above two Deemed PIOs should have compiled the list of collection and expenditure without giving the details.

And for details they could have asked for the cost which again is to be realized only if proper procedure is followed as per the provision of RTI Act, 2005 (i.e., Transfer of application within five days).

12. In light of it, the Commission would like to order that the Deemed PIOs (a) Nagaon Wildlife Division, Nagaon (b) Eastern Assam Wildlife Division, Bokakhat should give the compiled collection and expenditure details within seven days.

13. If the petitioner is not satisfied, he may go and inspect the documents and collect the photocopies of 25 pages each free of cost and if he requires more than that, he should pay for it.

The SPIO and DCF of the Field Division, Kaziranga National Park & Tiger Reserve will coordinate in the whole process and ensure that the order of the Commission is complied by the Deemed PIOs.

14. The case is disposed off.

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

Authenticated true copy.

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Secretary & Registrar  
Assam Information Commission

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**Dtd. 23.2.2022**

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1. The SPIO, O/o the Field Division, Kaziranga National Park & Tiger Reserve, Bokakhat, Assam 785612 for information and necessary action.
2. The SPIO, O/o the Nagaon Wildlife Division, Nagaon, Katimari for information and necessary action.
3. The SPIO, O/o the Eastern Assam Wildlife Division, Bokakhat for information and necessary action.
4. The SPIO, O/o the Biswanath Wildlife Division, Biswanath Chariali for information.
5. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das, S/O Lt. Karunamoy Das, H.No.16, Kushal Konwar Road, Near Mayur Krishna Cinema Hall, Ambari Fatashil, Guwahati for information.
6. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
7. Office File.
8. Order Book.

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