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Case No. : SIC/KPM 45/2022

Complainant/ Appellant : Joydeb Das

Respondent : SPIO/Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled

Castes, Housefed Complex Dispur, Assam

Date of Hearing : 08/03/2022 Complaint/ Second : Dr.A.P.Rout

Appeal heard by State Information Commissioner, Assam

## O R D E R 08/03/2022

- 1. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das has filed one RTI petition before the SPIO, Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled Tribes, Dispur on 20/12/2021 seeking following information:
  - (a) Whether Director of Welfare of Scheduled Castes has floated e-tender for Agriculture Kits (Torch, Rain Coat, Hand Spray Machine, Ankle Boot, Kit Bag, Foldable Umbrella, Tarpulin) for the SC beneficiaries during the period 2019-20 and 2020-21, if yes please furnish following details:
    - (I) Please furnish how many numbers of agriculture kits purchased from suppliers firm namely J N Trading, D Fashion, Santana Enterprise and Abhisek Marketing and distributed to the SC beneficiaries of such years with fund involved and released on which date, along with copy of work order, bill, FOC receipt, contract agreement and comparative statement with the copy of minutes of the Committee.
    - (II) Please furnish whether Director of Welfare of Scheduled Castes has ever been made any correspondence (exact copy of challan) with the District concerned officer/FOR statement in connection with the actual supplied and receipted item before released of payment, if yes, please furnish a copy of the same along with copy of file noting of Director and other concerned officer in connection with released of payment. If no, any correspondence was made with the district concerned officer prior released of payment, please furnish a copy of guidelines/rule followed prior released of payment along with copy of all the file noting.
    - (III) Please furnish digitally in pendrive list of beneficiary APRs.
    - (IV) Please furnish in details of the procedure followed for selection of beneficiary, if any existing guidelines, please furnish a copy of the same and name of the member of selection committee who selected the beneficiary during the period 2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21.
    - (V) Please furnish whether any audit query was raised by Accountant General (Audit), Assam in connection with distribution of Agriculture kits and released of payment, if yes, please furnish a copy of the same.
    - (VI) Please furnish a copy of affidavit submitted by the awarded bidder in connection with the price quoted in the bid is not more than the price quoted to any other Government department for similar item and that the price quoted in bid is not more than MRP.
    - (VII) Please allow for inspection of sample submitted by the bidder in bid under section 2(j) of the RTI Act,2005.
- 2. On non receipt of any information, the petitioner filed a complaint petition u/s 18(1) of the RTI Act,2005 before the Commission on 28.1.2022 and accordingly the matter was taken up for hearing.
- 3. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das is present. The petitioner has submitted one written prayer before the Commission on 8.3.2022 to convert his complaint petition into 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal petition u/s 19(3) of the RTI Act,2005.

- 4. The Public Authority to be represented by SPIO of Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Housefed Complex, Dispur is absent. However, the SPIO has submitted one written statement vide no DSC/RTI/774/2021/150 dated Guwahati 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb,2022 which is taken into records.
- 5. The petitioner in the hearing said that the written statement contains partial information. In the meantime, the petitioner vide his letter dated 1.2.2022 asked for the remaining information which has not been given to him.
- 6. Since the SPIO is absent, the Commission has decided to hear the matter again.
- 7. Fix 14.3.2022 at 11:15 AM as the next date of hearing. The SPIO is directed to personally appear on the next date of hearing.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Secretary & Registrar Assam Information Commission

## Memo No. SIC/KPM 45/2022

Dtd. 08.03.2022

## Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, Directorate of Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Housefed Complex, Dispur, Guwahati 06 for information and necessary action. He is to remain present on the next date of hearing.
- 2. 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. He is to remain present on the next date of hearing.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
- 5. Order Book.

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