

Case No. : SIC/KPM.321/2022
Complainant/ Appellant : Sri Joydeb Das
Respondent : SPIO, O/o the Directorate of Geology & Mining,
Dakhingaon, Kahilipara, Guwahati 19
Date of Hearing : 26/07/2022
Complaint/ Second : Dr. A.P.Rout,
Appeal heard by State Chief Information Commissioner,
Assam

O R D E R
26/07/2022

1. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das has filed one RTI petition before the Directorate of Geology & Mining, Dakhingaon, Guwahati on 19.5.2022 seeking following information:
 - (i) Please furnish digitally in pen drive documents submitted by the license holder for coal dealership license during the period 1.6.2021 to 21.3.2022.
 - (ii) Please furnish whether Director has verified the authenticity of documents with the issuance authority which documents was submitted by the license holder for coal dealership license during the period 1.6.2021 to 21.3.2022, if yes, please furnish a copy of the same.
2. The petitioner then filed a complaint petition u/s 18(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 before the Commission on 30.6.2022 which he later converted into 2nd appeal petition.
Accordingly, the matter was taken up for hearing.
3. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das is present.
4. The Public Authority is represented by Smti Bornalee Choudhury, SPIO, Joint Director, Directorate of Geology & Mining.
5. The SPIO vide his letter no. (no date) has intimated the petitioner to deposit an amount of Rs.11390.00 as scanning expenditure.
6. As the date of deposit is not mentioned the Commission is not in a position to ascertain whether it was sent within 30 days or not.
The SPIO also does not have the dispatch register/dispatch letter produced at the Commission.
7. The petitioner though said that he has received this letter after 45 days of his RTI petition, but he has also not produced the receipt copy of the letter.
8. However, the petitioner said that as per the Government of Assam, Mines and Minerals Department notification dated 18.2.2021, the registration and renewal should have been done through online mode, so the petitioner is not supposed to bear any cost.
9. However, the petitioner said that out of his required documents under 12 heads, he only needs documents relating to points 7 & 10 i.e, copy of Jamabandi and GST Registration Certificate.
The SPIO said that it will be roughly around 10 to 20 pages.
10. The Commission orders that if the documents are within 20 pages, the same should be given to the petitioner either through pendrive or to be sent to email id of the petitioner.

11. The case is disposed off.

Authenticated copies to be given to all concerned.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-
Registrar
Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 26.7.2022

Copy to:

1. The SPIO, Directorate of Geology & Mining, Dakhingaon, Kahilipara, Guwahati 19 for information and necessary action.
2. The petitioner Sri Joydeb Das, S/o Lt. Karunamoy Das, H.No16, Fatashil Ambari, Kushal Konwar Road, Near Mayur Krishna Cinema Hall, Guwahati 781025 for information.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office File.
5. Order Book.

Registrar
Assam Information Commission