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Case No. : SIC/OS.8/2022 Complainant/ Appellant : Anil Goenka

Respondent : SPIO, Assam Tea Employees Provident Fund

Organisation (ATEPFO), Nidhi Bhawan, Silchar

Zonal Office, Silchar, 788001 Assam

SPIO, Assam Tea Employees Provident Fund

Organisation (ATEPFO), Nidhi Bhawan,

Basistha, Lalmati, NH 37, Guwahati 29 Assam

Date of Hearing : 28/07/2022 Complaint/ Second : Dr. A.P.Rout,

Appeal heard by State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R 28/07/2022

- 1. In continuation of earlier order dated 16.6.2022, the matter was taken up for hearing.
- 2. The petitioner Sri Anil Goenka is present.
- 3. The Public Authority is represented by Sri Amit Rajbongshi, Additional P.F. Commissioner, Assam Tea Employees Provident Fund Organisation (ATEPFO), Nidhi Bhawan, Basistha, Lalmati, NH 37, Guwahati and he is accompanied by Sri Rupjyoti Tamuli, Fund Control Officer, ATEPFO, Guwahati.
- 4. The petitioner said that the SPIOs/1st Appellate Authorities are not sending the certified copies whenever they are giving the information and they are not following the provision of the RTI Act,2005 diligently inspite of having the advantage of taking legal help.
- 5. The SPIO said that he was under the impression that since the cost is not deposited, the information would be given after deposit of the cost.
- 6. The Commission pointed out that cost can only be realised when the intimation for depositing the cost is given within thirty days and if beyond that any correspondence is made, it will be contrary to the provision of RTI Act,2005 and information to be given free of cost.
- 7. The SPIO said that the information is ready and can be handed over today itself.
- 8. The <u>Commission directs the SPIO to provide the information to the petitioner with proper certification by today itself or within fifteen days through registered post.</u>
- 9. The case is disposed off.

Authenticated copies to be given to all concerned.

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

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- 1. The SPIO, Assam Tea Employees Provident Fund Organisation (ATEPFO) Nidhi Bhawan, Silchar Zonal Office, Silchar 788001 Assam for information and necessary action.
- 2. The SPIO, Assam Tea Employees Provident Fund Organisation (ATEPFO) Nidhi Bhawan, Basistha, Lalmati, NH 37, Guwahati 29 Assam for information and necessary action.
- 3. The petitioner Sri Anil Goenka, 8 Bankim Mukherjee Sarani, New Alipore, Kolkata 700053 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.
- 6. Order Book.

Registrar Assam Information Commission