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Case No.	: SIC/KPM.177/2022
Appellant	: Sri Kirtikamal Bora
Respondent Date of hearing	: The SPIO, O/o the Director of Handloom & Textiles, Assam: 07.06.2022
Second Appeal heard by	: Sri Kanak Ch. Sarma State Information Commissioner, Assam

The appellant Sri Kirtikamal Bora is present.

Dr. Jayanta Deva Sarma, SPIO-cum-Deputy Director of Handloom & Textile, Assam is present. He is assisted by Sri Purusottam Medhi, Senior Asstt., RTI Cell of Directorate of Handloom & Textile, Assam.

The SPIO has submitted written statement vide letter no. DHTE(RTI)86/2021/38 dated 02.06.2022. The Director of Handloom & Textile, Assam vide letter no. DHTE(RTI)5/2022/12 dated 31.05.2022 informed the Commission about the steps taken to dispose of the 1st appeal petition dated 03.01.2022.

Perused the case record. The appellant submitted one application dated 29.11.2021 under the RTI Act, 2005 before the SPIO, o/o the Directorate of Handloom & Textile, Assam seeking certain informations. He did not receive the desired informations within the stipulated period of time and submitted 1st appeal petition dated 03.01.2022 before the PIO, o/o the Directorate of Handloom & Textile, Assam. Still he did not receive the desired informations for which he submitted 2nd appeal dated 11.04.2022 before the Commission. The Director of Handloom & Textiles, Assam and 1st appellate authority informed the Commission that the petitioner was not present at the time of hearing of 1st appeal petition dated 03.01.2022 which was scheduled on 08.02.2022. It was decided that the SPIO of Directorate of Handloom & Textile, Assam will send a copy of the MoU to the petitioner and write to the Administrative Department i.e. Handloom & Textile, and Sericulture Deptt,., Government of Assam with a request to furnish the required informations to the Directorate if the same are available with them.

The SPIO through his written statement informed the Commission that a copy of the MoU signed between the then Director of Handloom & Textile, Assam and Chairman & Managing Director, SSG Group and Naveen Enterprises Ltd., Guwahati, Assam has been furnished to the appellant and the appellant has been informed that the sought for informations are not available through letter no. DHTE(RTI)86/2021/8 dated 04.01.2022.

It is observed that the informations are not available with the Directorate of Handloom & Textile Deptt. The SPIO submits orally that the same may be available with the Department. He further submits that one letter bearing no. DHTE(RTI)86/2021/24 dated 21.02.2022 whereby the appellant was requested to contact the Handloom & Textile and Sericulture Deptt., Government of Assam to obtain the documents. If the matter is so, he should have transferred the RTI application to the custodian of the informations instead of suggesting the appellant to approach such authority. Therefore, the Commission directs the SPIO of Directorate of Handloom & Textile, Assam to transfer the RTI petition dated 29.11.2021 to the appropriate authority who is the custodian of the desired informations with a request to furnish the same to the appellant and the appellant should be informed accordingly.

With the above directions, the petition dated 11.04.2022 is disposed of.

Sd/-

(Kanak Ch. Sarma) State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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Memo No. SIC/KPM.177 /2022

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, o/o the Director of Handloom & Textiles, Assam, Gopinath Bordoloi Road, Ambari, Guwahati-1 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/o/o the Director of Handloom & Textiles, Assam, Gopinath Bordoloi Road, Ambari, Guwahati- 1 for information.
- The Appellant, Sri Kirtikamal Bora, DY365, Brahmapautra Tele Productions Pvt. Ltd., Silver Square Building, 5th Floor, Christianbasti, PO & PS- Dispur, Guwahati-5, Contact No. 6909620024 for information.
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Dtd.07.06.2022