

Case No. : SIC/NGN 21/2022
Complainant/ Appellant : Shri Narendra Prakash Chauhan
Respondent : SPIO, O/o the CEO, Nagaon Zilla Parishad,
Nagaon, Assam
Date of Hearing : 30/08/2022
Complaint/ Second : Dr. A.P.Rout,
Appeal heard by : State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

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30/08/2022

1. The petitioner Shri Narendra Prakash Chauhan has filed one RTI petition before the Public Information Officer, O/o the CEO, Nagaon Zilla Parishad, Nagaon, Assam on 10.12.2021 seeking following information:
(1) How much amount has been received in installment by Nagaon Zilla Parishad under 15th F.C for the year 2020-21 and 2021-22 and how much amount has been utilized till today.
(2) ZPC wise related/allotted fund of 15th FC.
(3) Status report copy of all the ZPC scheme for the year 2020-21 and 2021-22 under 15th FC.
(4) Fund of 15th FC distributed population wise or ZPC wise. Please furnish copy of fund distribution guidelines.
2. Reportedly on not getting any information, the petitioner filed 1st appeal before the First Appellate Authority, CEO Nagaon Zilla Parishad on 2.2.2022 and then he filed 2nd appeal before the Commission on 2.5.2022.
3. The petitioner Shri Narendra Prakash Chauhan is present.
4. The Public Authority is represented by Shri Pranab Kumar Nath, SPIO & Executive Engineer (i/c), Nagaon Zilla Parishad.
5. The SPIO of Nagaon Zilla Parishad has submitted a written statement dated 24.8.2022 wherein he has mentioned that because of the on-going Hon'ble High Court case WP(C) No.3749/2022 Smti Gitanjali Hazarika Vs. the State of Assam & Ors., the information could not be furnished and he apologized for this before the Commission.
6. However as per the provision of Section 7 of the RTI Act, 2005, this information could have been provided to the petitioner within thirty days. The SPIO has violated the provision of RTI Act, 2005 which warrants imposition of penalty u/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005.

In light of the above, the Commission takes a lenient view and orders the SPIO not to repeat the same in future.

7. In light of the above, the case is disposed off.

Authenticated copies to be given to all concerned.

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

Authenticated true copy.

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Registrar
Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 30.08.2022

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1. The SPIO, O/o the CEO, Nagaon Zilla Parishad, Nagaon, Assam for information.
2. The petitioner Sri Narendra Prakash Chauhan, Vill. Majarati, P.O. Majarati, Dist. Nagaon, Assam 782002 for information.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
4. Office File.
5. Order Book.

Registrar
Assam Information Commission