



ASSAM INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Case No. :SIC/GLT 16/2022 Complainant/ Appellant : Sri Jibeswar Kalita

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Commandant, Armed Police

Training Centre, Dergaon, P.O & P.S. Dergaon, Golaghat, Assam 785614

Date of Hearing : 29/10/2022 Complaint/ Second : Dr. A.P.Rout,

Appeal heard by State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

## O R D E R 29/10/2022

- 1. The petitioner Sri Jibeswar Kalita has filed one RTI petition before the SPIO/Commandant, Armed Police Training Centre, Dergaon, Golaghat, Assam on 11.2.2022 seeking following information:
  - (1) Name of Head Assistant, Date of Joining and Present Status.
  - (2) Names of R.I and R.C Date of joining and present status.
  - (3) Names of Quarter Master Inspector and Quarter Master Jamadar, Date of Posting and present status.
  - (4) Name of Motor Transport Officer, Date of posting and present status
  - (5) Required other office staff, all status.
- 2. Reportedly on not getting any information, the petitioner filed 1<sup>st</sup> appeal before the 1<sup>st</sup> Appellate Authority, Armed Police Training Centre, Dergaon, Golaghat, Assam on 22.4.2022 and then he filed 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal before the Commission on 27.6.2022.

Accordingly, the matter was taken up for hearing.

- 3. The petitioner Sri Jibeswar Kalita is absent. However the petitioner has sent an email dated 28.10.2022 requesting before the Commission to pass an appropriate order to furnish the information.
- 4. The Public Authority to be represented by SPIO/Commandant, Armed Police Training Centre, Dergaon, Golaghat, Assam is absent. However the Commandant has sent an email dated 28.10.2022 wherein it is mentioned that the SPIO is deputed to another duty on Kohora on 26.10.2022 and requested for another date.
- 5. In quoting the provision of the RTI Act, 2005, the information should have furnished within 30 days and the Appellate Authority has also been given 30 days to furnish the information.

But in both the cases, it seems that not only the SPIO failed to comply with the provision of the RTI Act but also the First Appellate Authority has equally failed to furnish the information during the First Appellate Stage. Hence, the Senior Officer failed to use supervisory authority in furnishing the information.

- 6. The <u>Commission has decided to hear the matter again and issue notices to the SPIO to explain why no penalty under provision of Section 20 should not be imposed on him for his failure to give the information within stipulated time.</u>
- 7. Fix another date of hearing.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

## Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, O/o the Commandant, Armed Police Training Centre, Dergaon, Golaghat, Assam for information and necessary action. He/She is to remain present on the next date of hearing.
- 2. The petitioner Sri Jibeswar Kalita, RTI Activist & Gen. Secretary, Antaranga Sanjug Samiti, Kumargaon, Dergaon, Golaghat, Assam 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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