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Appeal No. CIC/BS/A/2016/000037

Appellant: Dr. Manas Gobinda Das,
Chakbhabani, Rathtala,
Opp., Mukherjee Grill,
P.O./P.S. Balughat-733101,
Distt. Dakshin Dinajpur,
West Bengal.

Respondent: Central Public Information Officer,
DGM, (NW OP)/North BSNL,
Calcutta Telephone Exchange,
4, Old Mayor's Court, Kolkata-700005,
W.B.

Date of Hearing: 20.04.2017

Dated of Decision: 20.04.2017

ORDER

Facts:

1. The appellant filed RTI application dated 18.06.2015 seeking attested copies of the asset and liability statements for the years 2003, 2004 and 2005, if submitted by Shri Tapas Gobinda Das, the then Divisional Engineer, Calcutta Telephones, Calcutta.
2. The CPIO responded on 23.06.2015. The appellant filed first appeal dated 10.08.2015. The FAA responded on 05.09.2015. The appellant filed second appeal on 23.12.2015 before the Commission on the ground that information should be provided to him.

Hearing:

3. Both the parties participated in the hearing through video conferencing.
4. The appellant stated that a copy of the 'annual property returns' of Shri Tapas Gobinda Das should be given to him.

5. CPIO and FAA had informed the respondent that they do not maintain 'assets and liability statement', as asked for in the RTI application.

6. The respondent stated that they are not the holder of the records relating to 'annual property returns'. Further, he stated that AGM, Staff-I at BSNL, Kolkata is the holder of the record and the sought for information may be available with him.

Discussion/ observation:

7. The respondent is directed to transfer this RTI application to the concerned holder of records i.e. AGM, Staff-I at BSNL, Kolkata who is reported to be the holder of the records, within 5 days from the date of receipt of this order. Thereupon, a copy of the 'annual property returns' of Shri Tapas Gobinda Das for the years 2003, 2004 and 2005 shall be provided to the appellant within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Decision:

8. The respondent is directed to take action as per para 7 above.

The appeal is disposed of. Copy of the order be given to the parties free of cost.

(Radha Krishna Mathur)
Chief Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

(S.C. Sharma)
Dy. Registrar