

RTI ACT 2005

**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS :: SOCIAL
FORESTRY ASSAM :: ARANYA BHAWAN PANJABARI GUWAHATI- 37**

NO. SFG.30/RTI ACT 2005/Shafique Hussain/ 2018

Dated. Guwahati the 23rd May.2018

✓ To Shafique Hussain
House No.19, Anupamnagar
Hatigaon, Guwahati - 38

Sub - *Furnishing Information under RTI Act.2005.*

Ref - RTI application filed by Shri Shafique Hussain dated.16.5..2018

Sir,

With reference to the above quoted letter, I am directed to inform you that your required information under RTI Act.2005 is ready in office. Therefore you are requested to collect the same from this office in any working days and deposit an amount of Rs 60/- (Rupees Thirty) only @ Rs 2/- per copy on 30 pages of the photostate Cost. You are deposit the amount through treasury Challan under the head of Accounts "0070" other administrative service.

Yours Faithfully


23/5/2018

*State Public Information Officer,
(Deputy Conservator of forests),
O/o the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Social Forestry :: Assam :: Panjabari, Ghy - 37.*

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To

Sri Y Suryanarayan IFS

Addl.PCCF, Social Forestry and Appellate Authority under RTI act
Panjabari, Guwahati-37

Date:- 20/01/18

Sub :- Appeal against non furnishing of information/document under RTI act 2005.

Ref:- My petition under RTI act 2005 dated 26/3/2018 (copy enclosed) and your office letter no sfg.30/RTI Act.05/RC Goswami/2017 dated 16/3/2018

Sir,

I submitted a petition under RTI act 2005 to your SPIO on 26/3/2018 requesting for information /document .But the SPIO has not furnished all the informations . Out of informations sought for the SPIO has furnished only three informations partly. The matter is very important to life and liberty of beneficiaries of biogas scheme and had to be furnished the information with in forty eight hours of receipt of petition.

i therefore appeal you to furnish the rest of the required informations/document with in forty eight hours from the receipt of this letter. The reason of hiding information about inspecting officers may kindly be informed.

Yours faithfully

(R.C. Goswami)

Retired Conservator of Forest
H.No 39, Hatigarh charali
Guwahati-24,
M)9365384275



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To

The SPIO under RTI act
O/O the Additional PCCF
Social Forestry, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati-37

Date:-6/1/2018


Sub :- Request for furnishing document under RTI act.

Sir,

A letter with the subject mentioned as "Regarding RTI application and allegations in respect of Biogas (NBMMP) and RVE scheme under MNRE" addressed to The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37 was submitted to your office.

Kindly furnish the copy of the letter to the undersigned under RTI act. I am enclosing herewith Rs 10/- as required by rule.

Yours Sincerely


(R C Goswami)
Retired Conservator of Forest
H.no 39, hatigarh Charali
Guwahati-781024,
M) 9859163084



Received



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To,

Dated: 18-12-2017

The Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Panjabari,
Guwahati- 37

Sub: Regarding RTI application and allegations in respect of Biogas (NBMMP) and RVE scheme under MNRE.

Sir,

With due respect, I have the honour to inform you that, I have received all the information and documents relating to Biogas (NBMMP) and RVE schemes under RTI act. On the basis of your documents I have personally investigated all the matter and found no objection. The replies against all allegations relating to the officers and staff under Biogas and RVE schemes are found satisfactory.

Therefore I express my gratitude to the works done under MNRE scheme, so that I hope the ongoing scheme may be benefited to the rural people and formers of Assam and it is source of the livelihood of educated youth. As such I repeatedly confirm you that I have no objection on the concerned officers and staff under social Forestry Wings of the scheme in future.

Yours faithfully



(R.C. Goswami)
Retired Conservator of Forest
H. NO: 39, Hatigarh Chariali
Guwahati-24



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Regional Principal Chief Conservator of Forest
Forestry Assam and Appellate Authority under RTI act 2005
Panjabari, Guwahati-37

Date:-

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Sub:- Third appeal for information under RTI act.

Sir,

I would like draw your kind attention that more than one year back I applied under RTI act to your SPIO for some informations. But he is playing with the provision of act and giving hurdle time to time for his vested interest. But thankfully for the timely intervention of appellate authority I have received some informations. Recently you formed a committee to solve the problem. One of the committee member Sri Aher Ali DFO wrote asked me about the required documents/ informations. Though some the documents have been furnished, the vital documents are not yet furnished. The required information are mainly (1) files relating to the action on my allegations which I filed earlier and (2) receipt of cheques by RET with their signature and date. The accountant Sri Chakravarty told me at the time inspection of files that the receipt signature of cheque by RETs were taken on the photo copies of cheques and he will give me those by recopying. But the same has not been given to me. On the other hand the action taken files on my several allegations have not been given yet.

I therefore earnestly appeal before you to hand over the above documents at earliest so that I can help you in detecting the big scam that is going on in your office.

Yours faithfully



(R C Goswami)

Retired Conservator of Forest

H.no 39, hatigarh Charali

Guwahati-781024,

(M) 9859163084

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
SOCIAL FORESTRY::: ASSAM ::: ARANYA BHAWAN::: PANJABARI
GUWAHATI-37

Ph.No.(off)-0361-2305099

E-Mail-pccf.sf.assam@gmail.com

No.SFG.30/RTI Act'2005/RC Goswami/2017

Dated -Guwahati the 29th Nov. 2017.

To

Shri R.C.Goswami.
Retired Conservator of Forests
House No. 39, Hatigarh Chariali
Guwahati-781024, 9859163084(M).

Sub: *Third appeal for information under RTI Act.*

Ref: Your RTI application dated 28/11/2017.

With reference to your letter cited above, please note that the information sought by you under the provisions of RTI Act. 2005 have already been provided to you as per the official records available and SPIO in this office. In spite of this, it is not clear why and how appeal is preferred by you and that too, third appeal.

Please note that all documents under the provisions of the Act will be provided to you but please be specific in your request.

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Appellate Authority
Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Aranya Bhawan,
Panjabari, Guwahati-37. 29/11/17

Copy to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Assam, Aranya Bhawan, Panjabari, Guwahati-37 for favour of his kind information.

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Appellate Authority
Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Aranya Bhawan,
Panjabari, Guwahati-37. 29/11/17

Issued on
29th Nov '17.

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Minutes of the Meeting held on 12/10/2017 in the office chamber of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37 in connection with RTI matter of Shri R. C. Goswami of Guwahati.

At the outset, the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry Assam welcome all the members present and the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests initiated the discussion as follows.

1. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests inquired the status of the information sought by Sri R. C. Goswami, Guwahati.
2. On behalf of committee constituted for the purpose of disposal the RTI application of Sri R.C. Goswami Sri J.K. Das DCF stated that all the information as selected/flag marked (record MNRE files) in the meeting held earlier is ready for which Sri R. C. Goswami has to pay Rs. 1052/- as cost of photocopies of the records.
3. Then Sri R.C. Goswami stated that since the one month time has already expired he will not pay the cost of photocopies of Rs. 1052/- u/s 6 of the RTI Act.2005 by showing the Act.
4. Then Sri A. Ali, DCF, and Sri J.K. Das, DCF state that since almost one and half years had already been passed the matter of one month cannot be considered.
5. At this R. C. Goswami got angry with Sri J.K. Das, DCF and left the meeting uncompleted suddenly.
6. Sri A. Ali, DCF and Sri K.K. Bora, DCF requested Sri R.C. Goswami to be seated and make the matter settled. The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests from the

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chair also requested Sri R.C. Goswami to be seated and complete the discussion of the meeting but Sri R.C. Goswami left the meeting uncompleted.

The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests concluded the meeting with a direction to all members of the committee and the State Public Information Officer (SPIO) to provide the information as sought for by Sri R. C. Goswami as per existing provisions of the RTI ACT.

Wm
Additionsl Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam

Signature of members

Name

1. Sri S.S. Rao, Addl. PCCF, SF
2. Sri J.K. Das, DCF,
3. Sri K.K. Bora, DCF
4. Sri A. Ali, DCF
5. Sri P. Chakrabarty, Supdt. /Acctt.
6. Sri J. Bordoloi, Supdt. /DA
7. Sri T. Dutta, DA
8. Sri R. C. Goswami, RTI Activist

Signature

Wm 12/10

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FOREST:
SOCIAL FORESTRY, ASSAM BASISTHA, GUWAHATI-29

Phone No-(Off): 0361-2305099

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E-Mail pccf.sf.assam@gmail.com

Letter No. SFG.30/RTI Act .2005/R.C. Goswami/2017,

Dated Guwahati the 17 October/2017.

To,

Sri. R. C. Goswami
Hatogarh Chariali
H No=39, Guwahati-21.

Sub: Regarding certified copies of documents under RTI-2005.

Ref: Your petition dated 12/09/2017.

Sir,

With reference to the above quoted letter, I am directed to inform you that your required information (Photostate copy) under RTI- Act 2005 is hereby ready in office, Therefore you are requested to collect the same from this office in any working days . The total copy on 76 copies of MNRE matter and 450 copies of Accounts matter of certified copies of documents. This is for your information and needful.

Yours faithfully,

Sri. J.K. Das, DCF,
Member

State Public Information Officer
O/o the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.

Sri. K. K. Borah, DCF,
Member

O/o the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.

Sri. Aher Ali,
Member

(Deputy Conservator of Forests)
O/o the Addl. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.

Received
(R.C. Goswami)
17.11.2017
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Handed over the documents
to shri R.C. Goswami, CF (Retd)
on 17.11.2017

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To

The Additional P.C.E.F.
Appellate Authority, R/1 Act 2005,
Social Forestry Board
Panjabari, Amritsar-37

Date - 9.10.17

Subj: Regarding certified copies of documents under R/1 Act 2005

Ref :- your office letter No SF 430/R/1 Act 2005/R.C. Hoswani/2017

Sir,

With reference to above I have in honourable letter of 2/10/17
have written the above letter where in they asked me
to deposit money for certified copies asked for under R/1 Act.
But I had applied for the information last year. But
because the SPIO could not furnish me the documents
or show me the files within 30 days. As per provision
of section 7(b) of R/1 Act 2005 the authority is to furnish
documents with free of cost if they cannot furnish the
same within 30 days. They are delayed intentionally in
furnishing the document.

I therefore request you to take action
on the matter. Further it is seen that the letter
has been signed by those DFOs which is not
supported by any procedure. Kindly look into
such matter.

Yours faithfully

[Signature]

(R.C. Hoswani)

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Annexure - F 1
Date : 21/05/12

- 1) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
and Head of Forest Force, Assam
Rehabari, Guwahati-8
- 2) The Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha
Guwahati-29

Sub : Return of vehicle No AS-01V-6524(Maruti Van).

Sirs,

I have the honour to inform you that I joined as D.C.F. attached to Western Assam Social Forestry circle Bongaigaon on 29th May 2011. In Bongaigaon there is no vehicle for me. There is no facility of city bus etc. to the office as the office is situated in a remote area. So I have taken the vehicle No- AS-01V-6524 (very old vehicle) with me. I am maintaining the vehicle from my own pocket as there is no budget for the vehicle. In CCF SF office also I maintained the vehicle from my own pocket as there was no money for the vehicle. Still now I am to get a big amount for the vehicle repairing.

However in April 2012 Hon'ble CCFSF asked me to return the vehicle. I met him and told him my difficulty, as I have no vehicle of my own. In reply Hon'ble CCFSF asked me to take permission from Hon'ble PCCF & HOFF Assam. Accordingly I approached Hon'ble PCCF & HOFF Assam in person and requested him to allow me to retain the vehicle. Hon'ble PCCF & HOFF Assam asked me to retain the above vehicle till an alternative is arranged.

In view of the above I request your Honour to kindly consider my prayer sympathetically and pass an order to this effect.

Yours faithfully

(R.C. Goswami)

DCF attached to W.A.S.F. Circle
Bongaigaon, Assam

23/9/2012

original copy put up
file no. SF/L-P/vehicle/dept./10

The SPIO
O/o PCCF Social Forestry, Assam
Barishta, Guwahati-29

Sub: Request for certified copies of documents under RTI Act.

Sir,

In pursuance of your letter I have inspected the file No. SFG 14/MNRE-RVE/Teaser. So kindly furnish the following documents' certified copy from the file

- ① Certified copies of note sheet of the above file from page No 1 to 48
- ② Certified copies of all letters bookmarked by me.

Yours faithfully



(R.C. Goswami)
(M) 9859163084

T. Dutta, Sr. Asstt.

- ① Please suggest the concerned Dealing Assistant of MNRE files to furnish the documents (photocopy) to Sri R.C. Goswami, RTI petitioner as specified for
- ② Also receive fee for
a) The time, inspected for more than one hour.
b) Photocopy of the papers as per Section 7(5) of Annexure - XVI to R.T. I Act, 2005

(S) DE G. SIRO
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ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

The Governor of Assam is pleased to prescribe following fees to be charged under various Sections of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (No. 22 of 2005) enacted by the Parliament:

Section 7(1) :

- on 7(1) :
- (i) Rs.2/- for each page (In A-4 or A-3 size paper)
 - (ii) Actual charge or cost price of a copy in larger size paper
 - (iii) Actual cost or price for samples or models
 - (iv) For inspection of records no fee for the first hour and a fee of Rs.5/- for each 15 minutes hereafter.

Section 7(5) :

- on 7(5):
- (i) Rs.50/- per diskette or floppy
 - (ii) Price fixed for printed publication at Printed Price or Rs.2/- per page of photocopy for extracts from the publication

Provide that :

- Provide that :
- (a) No fee prescribed under Section 6(1), 7(1) and 7(5) shall be charged from the persons who are of below poverty line as may be determined by the State Government as stipulated under Section 7(5) of the Right to Information Act, 2005.
- (b) No fee prescribed under Section 7(1) and 7(5) shall be charged where the "State Public Information Officer" fails to provide information within the time limits prescribed under Section 7(1) as stipulated under Section 7(6) the Right to Information Act, 2005.

The above fees shall be collected in form of Demand Draft or Banker's Cheque or cash against proper receipt to be issued by an officer authorized in this behalf by the State Public Information Officer or the Assistant State Public Information Officer as the case may be and shall be deposited through Treasury Challan under the Head of Account "0070 other Administrative Services".

This will come into force with immediate effect.

Sd/-

**Under Secretary to the Government of Assam
Administrative Reforms and Training Department**

To
The State public Information officer
O/O the PCCF and HOFF, Assam
Punjabari, Guwahati-37

Date: 8/6/2016

Sub:- Request for information under RTI act 2005.

Sir,

Kindly allow me to inspect the files relating to the following matters under section 2(j) of RTI act 2005 and issue certified documents there from.

1) Files relating to selection of 140 nos of Forester by the selection committee headed by J M Kuli IFS Additional PCCF Uper Assam Zone, Guwahati-1.

2) Files relating to issue of water marked transit pass etc.

3) Files relating to court case of Khoraghat sand mahal.

4) File no FE1/OA No 040/00399/2015.

5) Files relating to Bio-gas under social forestry.

6) Files relating to SIT and export of timber outside the state through railway wagaons.

Since the matter relates to life and liberty of persons it attracts the provision para 2 of section 7(1) of RTI act 2005 to facilitate inspection within 48 hours from the time receipt of the petition.

I am enclosing an IPO of Rs10/- herewith.

Yours faithfully

(R.C. Goswami)

H.No 39, Hatigarh Charali

Guwahati -24

(M)9859163034

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Date : 6/6/2016

To,
The Public Information officer
O/O of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry Assam
Basistha, Guwahati-29

Sub:- Request to allow to see files relating to MNRE schemes implemented under Social Forestry wing in Assam under provisions of RTI act 2005.

Sir,

The Social Forestry Assam has been implementing various schemes of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy in Assam. Kindly allow me to see all the files relating to MNRE schemes under provision of section 2(j) of RTI act 2005.

Since the matter relates to life and liberty of people it attracts the provision para 2 of section 7 of the RTI act 2005.

I am enclosing Rs 10/- as per the rule.

Yours faithfully



(R C Goswami)
H No 39, Hatigarh Charali
Guwahati -24
(M)9859163084


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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS : SOCIAL FORESTRY
ASSAM : BASISTHA : GUWAHATI-29

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No. SFG 14/MNES-RVE/2005-06/Part-II,

Date: 15/11/2010.

To,

The Chief Executive Officer
Karbi Anglong East FDA cum
Divisional Forest Officer
Karbi Anglong East Division
Diphu.

Sub:- Allegation against Sri R.C. Goswami.

I am enclosing herewith a complaint letter dtd. 26-8-2010 received from Sri Sonu Sharma, Karbi Anglong against Sri R.C. Goswami regarding collection of money from villagers of Karbi Anglong District and requests you to cause an enquiry into the matter and submit the report in proper course at an early date.

State Nodal Officer FDA cum
Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.

Copy to:-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Assam, Rehabari, Guwahati-8 for information and necessary action.
2. The Chairperson Karbi Anglong FDA cum Conservator of Forest Karbi Anglong Autonomous District Council, Diphu for information and necessary action.

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Issued on

State Nodal Officer FDA cum
Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS: SOCIAL FORESTRY: ASSAM
BASISTHA: GUWAHATI-29.

No. SFG.14/MNES-RVE/2005-06/PART-II,

Dated Guwahati, the 26th May, 20011.

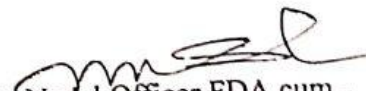
To,

The Chief Executive Officer FDA
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Divisional Forest Officer,
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Sub: Allegation regarding collection of money for Solar Home Lighting Systems.

Enclosed please find herewith an allegation dtd. 30-11-10 received from Sri Rajesh Kumar Chouhan, Secretary, Sildubi V.D.P. regarding collection of money for solar Home Lighting system. I am to request you to cause an enquiry into the matter and submit report immediately for the undersigned.

Encl: As stated above.


State Nodal Officer FDA cum
Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha, Guwahati-29


23/5/2015

Home Upper Solar System
Name & Address of Beneficiary

1. Rajesh K. Chaudhary
vill. Cheng Cheng Bili P.O. Shildubi
Dt. Karbi Anglong Block, East Rongkhong.
2. Suresh Chaudhary
vill. Cherapathar P.O. Shildubi
K/Anglong. E. Rongkhong.
3. Amerjeet Chaudhary
vill. Shankarbasti P.O. Lamsakeng.
K/Anglong. E. Rongkhong.
4. Ajay K. Chaudhary
vill. Cherapathar. P.O. Shildubi
K/Anglong. E. Rongkhong.
5. Gauram Chaudhary
Bogaziphat P.O. Jenkha.
K/Anglong. E. Rongkhong.
6. Kamal Thapa.
Cheng Cheng Bili. P.O. Shildubi
K/Anglong. E. Rongkhong.
7. Mukta Bahadur Chetry
Cheng Cheng Bili. Shildubi
K/Anglong.
9. Jay Prakash Chaudhary
Cheng Cheng Bili. Shildubi
K/Anglong.

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Nani Verma.
vill + P.O. Shildubi.
K/Anglong.

11. Deepak Yadav
vill + P.O. Shildubi. Dt. K/Anglong.
E. Longkhong.

12. Dulal Chaudhan.
cheng cheng Bill. P.O. Shildubi
Dt. K/Anglong.

13. Dindyal Chaudhan.
cheng cheng Bill P.O. Shildubi
K/Anglong. E Longkhong.

14. Ramodar Chaudhan.
vill - Rababali - P.O. Shildubi
K/Anglong. E Longkhong.

15. Lalau Chaudhan.
Rababali. Shildubi
K/Anglong.

16. Dharmendar Chaudhan
Rababali. P.O. Shildubi
K/Anglong.

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17. Priti Bahadur Chetry
vill + P.O. Kolonga. Dt. Karbi Anglong.
E. Longkhong.

18. Sarbjit Chetry
Kolonga. K/Anglong.

19. Subash Chaudhan.
vill Lamsa Khong. K/Anglong.

29. Lal Bahadur Baskry chankhan
vill. Sampathar. P.O. Sampathar
Bakulis. K/Anghong

30. Lal Bahadur Baskry chankhan
Sampathar. P.O. Sampathar
Bakulis. K/Anghong

31. Surbhan chankhan
vill. Sampathar. P.O. Sampathar.
Bakulis. K/Anghong.

32. Baliraj chankhan.
Sampathar. P.O. Sampathar.
Bakulis. K/Anghong.

33. Bhukhan chankhan
vill + P.O. Sampathar.
Bakulis. K/Anghong.

34. Rajindar chankhan
vill + P.O. Sampathar.
Bakulis. K/Anghong.

35. Dharmendar chankhan
vill + P.O. Sampathar.
Bakulis. K/Anghong.

36. Raju chankhan
vill + P.O. Sampathar.
Bakulis. K/Anghong.

37. Ramjit chankhan.
vill. Lamsakhang (Shankarbasti)
P.O. Lamsakhang.
K/Anghong.

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To,

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha, Guwahati-29

Sub:- Submission of Inquiry Report.

Ref:- PCCF (SF) Assam's O.O.No.342, dtd.12/10/2016.

Sir,

With reference to the above we the following signatories have conducted the inquiry in to the matter of allegation field by Sri R.C. Goswami Retd.CF and submitted the same for favour of your kind perusal and necessary action.

Yours faithfully



Sri. P. Boro (Chairman)



Sri. J.K. Das (Member)



Sri. F. Ali (Member)



Sri. B. Kalita (M/ Convener).

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Encloser:-

Inquiry report along with its encloser.

- ① Copy of Power of attorney.
- ② Statement of Sri N.K. Sahani
- ③ Statement of Sri Pradipt Chakravarty.
- ④ Copy of allegation (4 nos).

Inquiry report on the Allegation put by Shri R.C Goswami, IFS(Retd.) against Shri N.K Sahani and his Co-RETs

As ordered by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Social Forestry), Assam, vide O.O No.342 dtd.12/10/2016 communicated under cover of his Memo No. SFD/ Confidential/ NBMMP/ 2016-17, dtd.12/10/2016 to inquire into the allegations filed by Shri R.C Goswami, Conservator of Forests(Retd.) on the matter of embezzlement and misappropriation of subsidy amount by N.K Sahani and his Co-RETs under National Biogas and Manure Management Programme(NBMMP) is initiated by the undersigned and the findings are elaborated as under.

We have been given to inquire 4 nos. of allegation filed by Sri Goswami. These are mostly similar and identical with one another stating fraudulent drawl, embezzlement and misappropriation of subsidy amount by N.K Sahani and his Co-RETs when they installed the bio-gas plants across Assam. We have examined the points of allegation one by one as follows.

Allegation No.1, dtd.31/8/2016

Sub: *Large scale fraudulent drawal of Govt. money by N.K Sahani, RET and his Co-RETs.*

In this allegation the petitioner alleged that Shri N.K Sahani and Co-RETs do not construct even 10% of biogas plants. They repair earlier biogas plants constructed by Khadi and Village Industry Commission and also plants of Forest Department and change the name of beneficiaries as well as villages.

Findings: The petitioner did not mention name of a single beneficiary out of 90% of non doing plants which have been fraudulently shown in old plants of Khadi and Village Industry and of Forest Department as alleged. So the field inspection cannot be carried out as it is not specific. Actually, the fact is that 100% field inspection is done in division level and after that 10% inspection is done randomly in Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Social Forestry) level, there is least chance of happening fraudulency. So, large scale fraudulent drawl of Govt. money is false.

Hence, the allegation is ill defined, fake and motivated.

Allegation No.2, dtd.12/9/2016.

Sub: *Embezzlement and Misappropriation of subsidy amount by N.K. Sahani and his Co-RETs.*

In this allegation Sri Goswami stated that Bio Gas scheme is a C.S. Scheme where 90% of the plant cost is given to the beneficiary as subsidy. Astonishingly subsidy amount is given to Sri.N.K. Sahani and his Co-RETs and they give a very nominal portion of the subsidy to the beneficiaries where they constructed Bio-gas plants practically (ie.10%).

Findings: This statement of allegation is totally false. From the office records, present Bio-gas plant estimate is like this.

Beneficiary Cost- Rs.21, 540.00(66%)

Subsidy _____ Rs.11, 000.00(34%)

Rs.32, 540.00

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In this scheme beneficiary has to procure himself requisite amount of bricks, stone chips and sands which probable cost Rs. 21,540.00. RET is to supply cement for construction of plant along with masonry cost. Besides he has to supervise the whole construction works as a rural energy technician so that the plant becomes successful. After that he supplies gas stove and other necessary accessories to complete the plants. Cost of RET part which is coming from subsidy amount is Rs. 11,000.00. This process has been continuing from the inception of Bio-gas scheme. Hence the allegation is fake and baseless.

Allegation No.3 dtd.16/09/2016.

Sub:- *Embezzlement of Govt money by Sri N.K. Sahani under Bio-Gas scheme by benami.*

The Petitioner here alleged that:

I) Sr N.K. Sahani is taking allotment of Bio-gas plant in the name of his kith and kin to escape from the criminal offence.

Findings:- This point of allegation could not be understood. What type of criminal offence was rendered by Sri N.K. Sahani and how could he save himself by taking the allotment of Bio-gas plant in the name of his kith and kin is not given by the petitioner. It is known that the Bio-gas plants are allotted to RETs by the respective DFO cum CEO for his division.

II) Besides this there is another point of allegation that Sri N.K. Sahani is trapped in offence of benami transaction. If the accounts of those benami RETs are examined it will be quite clear that there was a benami transaction.

Findings: This is also a vague Statement put by the petitioner. How can there be a benami accounts holder in a Government Bank ? What does it mean by benami transaction ? The petitioner did not mention any name of benami RETs or dummy RET in support of his allegation. So, the allegation is ill defined and motivated.

Allegation No.4:- dtd. 28/09/2016.

Sub:- *Embezzlement of Govt. money by Sri. N.K. Sahani under Bio-gas scheme by benami transaction in the name of dead person, without submitting voter ID or copy of Bank pass book of beneficiary or GPS co-ordinates.*

In this petition Sr Goswami alleged that Sri.N.K. Sahani had taken allotment of Bio-gas plants in the name of his brother S.K. Sahani who had died long back and made benami transaction in the name of dead person copying his signature with the help of Forest officials.

Findings: From the office records, statement of Sri N.K. Sahani and that of Sri P. Chakraborty, accountant, it is known that S.K. Sahani was a Rural Energy Technician who got allotment of 150 Nos. Bio-gas plants to install across the Nagaon Division for the year 2014-15 which were to be completed latest by March/15. In the month of July/2015 after completion of the Bio-gas plants S.K. Sahani suddenly fell sick and handed over a power of attorney along with a general voucher signed by him(issued on 7/07/2015) to Sri N.K. Sahani to deal with all kinds of monetary transaction that were related to the Bio-gas plants and went to Bihar for treatment. Sri N.K. Sahani submitted this to the APCCF (SF) Assam accordingly.

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On 11/09/2015 Sri N.K. Sahani received an account payee cheque for work done of 150 nos of Bio-gas plant in Nagaon FDA in the name of S.K. Sahani from the APCCF (SF) Assam and deposited the same in the Bank. After few days when the cheque was formally credited to the bank A/c of S.K. Sahani the son of his brother informed N.K. Sahani that his father was no more. Being asked Sri N.K.Sahani replied that he could not recollect the date death of S.K. Sahani

Here it is found that S.K. Sahani had completed his allotted works before going to home in Bihar. He was to receive the payment for his work done under Nagaon FDA. Sri N.K. Sahani just collected the cheque on behalf of S.K.Sahani and deposited same in the bank account of S.K. Sahani. As the cheque was a/c payee, bank credited the amount of the cheque to the a/c of S.K. Sahani not to the a/c of N.K. Sahani. In scrutiny of the office records, no where it was found that N.K. Sahani copied the signature of his brother S.K. Sahani as alleged and no forest official helped him in this regard.

Hence, Embezzlement of Govt. money by benami transaction by N.K. Sahani is false and the allegation is not worthy.

In view of the above it is observed that the allegations put by Sri R.C.Goswami (Retd.CF) bear no value. As no allegation is having any specific point to be inquired, so these are all fake and baseless and N.K. Sahani cannot be made guilty by this.

Enclosure.

1. Copy of power of attorney.
2. Statement of N.K. Sahani RET.
3. Statement of P. Chakraborty, Superintendent/in charge Accountant.
4. Copies of Allegation(4 nos.)



(Shri Prahlad Boro, DCF, Chairman)



(Shri J.K Das, DCF, Member)



(Shri Faridullah Ali, DCF, Member)



(Sri Billeswar Kalita, ACF, Member Convener)

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS:: SOCIAL FORESTRY
ASSAM :: BASISTHA GUWAHATI-29.

dtd 12-10-2016


A committee is hereby constituted with following officers for the purpose of enquiry regarding embezzlement & misappropriation of subsidy amount by N.K. Sahani and his co-RETS under National Biogas and Manure Management Programme (NBMMP) as complaint by Shri R.C. Gowsami CF (Retd.).

1. Shri Prahlad Boro. DCF, ----- Chairman
O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha
Guwahati-29
2. Shri Faridullah Ali, DCF, ----- Member
O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha
Guwahati-29
3. Shri J.K. Das, DCF, ----- Member
O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha
Guwahati-29
4. Shri B. Kalita ACF, ----- Member-convenor
O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha
Guwahati-29

The committee shall submit the report in details to the undersigned within one month.


State Nodal Officer
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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.

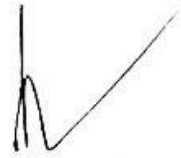
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Memo No. SFD.27/Confidential/NBMMP/2016-17,

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forests Force, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati-37 for information.
2. Shri Prahlad Boro. DCF, O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha, Guwahati -29 for information & necessary action.

3. Shri Faridullah Ali, DCF, O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha, Guwahati -29 for information & necessary action.
4. Shri J.K. Das DCF, DCF, O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha, Guwahati -29 for information & necessary action.
5. Shri B. Kalita ACF, O/o the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha, Guwahati -29 for information & necessary action.
6. O.O. Book



State Nodal Officer
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Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.




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Enclosed: letter A to F of Jir RC Goswami, CF (Rtd)

Details of the Maruti Van Vehicle, bearing
Regn. No. AS01V6524 Colour: White

- (i) The vehicle is having the custody of Shri Ranjit Chandra Goswami, Retd. Conservator of Forests. In the matter of allotment of the said vehicle, no record is available in this office. He was using the vehicle when he was Deputy Conservator of Forests attached to S.F. Wing H.Q. He was taking the vehicle with him to use in carrying out official works when he had been transferred as attached Deputy Conservator of Forests to Western Assam Social Forestry Circle, Dooongaigaon, Assam (copy enclosed written by Shri R.C. Goswami) ANNEXURE-1. Since then he has been using the above vehicle to date.
- (ii) No any official position but retired as Conservator of Forests.
- (iii) No official duty is performing by the vehicle after retirement of the possessor.
- (iv) No records.
- (v) No action has been taken from this end. However, several letters have been written to Shri R.C. Goswami to return the vehicle by the following Officers (copies enclosed).
- (1) Shri M.M. Sharma, IFS, CCF(SF), Assam, dt. 7.4.2012, ANNEXURE-2
 - (2) Shri M.M. Sharma, IFS, CCF(SF), Assam, dt. 11.05.2012, ANNEXURE-3
 - (3) Shri M. Ali, IFS, CF, LASFC, Dooongaigaon, dt. 17.2.2016, ANNEXURE-4
 - (4) Shri B. Brahma, IFS, PCCF(SF), Assam, dt. 17.3.2016, ANNEXURE-5
 - (5) Shri B. Brahma, IFS, PCCF(SF), Assam, dt. 6.9.2016, ANNEXURE-6

Submitted by D. Asstt.
Nayan Kr. Barishya
23/05/2018

[Handwritten signature]
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Head of Forest Force, Assam
Bari, Guwahati-8
Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha
Guwahati-29

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Date : 21/05/12

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ANNEXURE-1

Sub : Return of vehicle No AS-01V-6524(Maruti Van).

Sirs,

I have the honour to inform you that I joined as D.C.F. attached to Western Assam Social Forestry circle Bongaigaon on 29th May 2011. In Bongaigaon there is no vehicle for me. There is no facility of city bus etc. to the office as the office is situated in a remote area. So I have taken the vehicle No- AS-01V-6524 (very old vehicle) with me. I am maintaining the vehicle from my own pocket as there is no budget for the vehicle. In CCF SF office also I maintained the vehicle from my own pocket as there was no money for the vehicle. Still now I am to get a big amount for the vehicle repairing.

However in April 2012 Hon'ble CCFSF asked me to return the vehicle. I met him and told him my difficulty, as I have no vehicle of my own. In reply Hon'ble CCFSF asked me to take permission from Hon'ble PCCF & HOFF Assam. Accordingly I approached Hon'ble PCCF & HOFF Assam in person and requested him to allow me to retain the vehicle. Hon'ble PCCF & HOFF Assam asked me to retain the above vehicle till an alternative is arranged.

In view of the above I request your Honour to kindly consider my prayer sympathetically and pass an order to this effect.

Yours faithfully

[Handwritten signature]
(R.C. Goswami)

DCF attached to W.A.S.F. Circle
Bongaigaon, Assam

ANNEXURE-2

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS: SOCIAL FORESTRY: ASSAM
BASISTHA: GUWAHATI - 29.

Letter No. SFG.2/Vehicle/Allotment,

Dated Guwahati, the 7th ^{April} ~~March~~, 2012.



To

Sri R. C. Goswami,
Divisional Forest Officer,
O/o the Conservator of Forests,
Lower Assam Social Forestry Circle,
Bongaigaon.

Sub.:

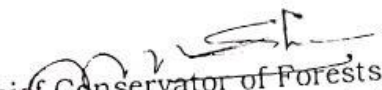

Return of Vehicle bearing No. AS-01V-6524 (Maruti Van).

I am to request you to return the ^{Govt} vehicle bearing No. AS-01V-6524 (Maruti Van) allotted to you as Divisional Forest Officer (Monitoring) in the office of the undersigned since the Divisional Forest Officer (Monitoring & Evaluation), Shri Ansar Ali has joined in this office on 05-04-2012.


Chief Conservator of Forests,
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29. 

Copy to:

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Assam, Rehabari, Guwahati-8 for favour of his kind information.
2. The Conservator of Forests, Lower Assam Social Forestry circle, Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.


Chief Conservator of Forests,
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29. 

9/04/2012

GOVT. OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS (SF), ASSISTANT
GUWAHATI-29
NO. SFC.2/Vehicle/Allotment, Dated Guwahati, the 11th May, 2012

To

Sri R. C. Goswami,
Divisional Forest Officer,
O/c the Conservator of Forests, L.A.S.F. Circle,
Dongrigaon

Sub.- Return of Govt. Vehicle bearing No. AS-01V-6524 (Maruti van)

Ref.- This office letter NO. SFC.2/Vehicle/Allotment,
dt. 07.04.2012

With reference to the letter no. cited above, I am to request you again to return the Govt. vehicle bearing No. AS-01V-6524 (Maruti van) allotted to you as Divisional Forest Officer (Monitoring) in the office of the undersigned.

Chief Conservator of Forests (SF),
Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-29

Copy to:-
The Conservator of Forests, L.A.S.F. Circle, Dongrigaon
for information and necessary action.

Chief Conservator of Forests (SF),
Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-29

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Issued on
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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS: LOWER ASSAM SOCIAL
FORESTRY CIRCLE: BONGAIGAOON

Dated Bongaigaon, the 17/2/16

Shri R.C. Goswami, (P.S. Retd.),
Conservator of Forests,
Kamrup, Guwahati-24

Sub:-

Return of allotted official vehicle.

You are hereby requested to return the allotted Govt. vehicle (Maruti Van) bearing Registration No. AS-01-V 6524 to this office since you have gone on superannuation. The vehicle may please be handed over to Shri Ghrito Roy, Forester-I, DC Protection Squad, Aie Valley Division who has been authorized to receive the same. Signature of Shri Ghrito Roy is attested below:

(Shri Ghrito Roy, Forester-I)
Signature of Shri G. Roy is attested

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(M. ALI, IFS)
Conservator of Forests,
Lower Assam Social Forestry Circle,
Bongaigaon.

Copy to :-

1. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & H.O.P., Assam, Guwahati-8 for his kind information and necessary action.
2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha, Guwahati-29 for his kind information and necessary action.
3. The Divisional Forest Officer, Aie Valley Division, Bongaigaon for information and necessary action.
4. Shri Ghrito Roy, Forester-I DC Protection Squad, Aie Valley Division, Bongaigaon for information. He is directed to receive the above mentioned vehicle from Shri R.C. Goswami, IFS (Retd.) along with accessories and documents if any.

(M. ALI, IFS)
Conservator of Forests,
Lower Assam Social Forestry Circle,
Bongaigaon. &

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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
::SOCIAL FORESTRY::ASSAM::BASISTHA::GUWAHATI-29

No.SFG/Vehicle Requirement/New/2015,

Dt.17/3/2016

To,

Shri R.C. Goswami, IFS (Retd.)
H/No.39, Hatigarh Chariali.
Zoo Narengi Road, Guwahati-24.

Sub- Return of allotted official vehicle.

Ref- CF, LASFC, Bongaigaon's letter No.SFG.4/AVR/CFB, dt.17-2-2016

With reference to the above subject and reference, you are hereby directed to return the allotted Govt. vehicle (Maruti Van) bearing Registration No.As-01-V-6524 at an early date.

(B.Brahma, IFS)
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.

Copy to the Conservator of Forests, Lower Assam Social Forestry Circle, Bongaigaon for information with reference to his letter under reference.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests,
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.

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ASSAM BASISTHA GUWAHATI

File No: SFG/Vehicle Requirement/ New/2015

✓ Sri R.C. Goswami, IFS (Retd.),
H/No 39, Hatigarh Chariali,
Zoo Narengi Road,
Guwahati-24.

Sub: Return of allotted Govt. Vehicle Reg.No. AS-01-V-6524 (Maruti Van)

Ref: This office letter No: SFG/Vehicle Requirement/ New/2015, Dtd: 17-3-2016 & CF, LASFC, Bongaigaon's letter No. No: SFG.4/1/AVR/CFB, dtd: 17-2-2016.

It is to notice that, you have been using the Govt. vehicle (Maruti Van) bearing Registration No: AS-01-V-6524 after your superannuation to till date. In this connection you have been intimated by the Conservator of Forests, Lower Assam social Forestry Circle, Bongaigaon to return the allotted Govt. vehicle vide his letter under reference and thereafter a letter was also issued from the undersigned to return the Govt. allotted vehicle vide letter under reference.

But, till date neither you have returned the Govt. vehicle nor response to the above correspondences. Hence you are directed to return the Govt. vehicle within a week.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam, Basistha,
Guwahati-29.

Copy to

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2. The Conservator of Forests, Lower Assam Social Forestry Circle, Bongaigaon for information with reference to the letters under reference.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
Social Forestry, Assam Basistha,
Guwahati-29.