

ENQUIRY REPORT

The news item relates to alleged improper management of the NSK situated at Azara Gaon Panchayat Office for villages under Azara and Garal Gaon Panchayat. The news item alleged that there is a huge rush of public in the said NSK as there is one NSK for both the Gaon Panchayats and hence people are facing difficulties in the process. Moreover, there is no proper drinking water facilities in the NSK for the public.

I visited the said NSK and also recorded the statement of the CRCR, Azara. According to him, the NSK was set up for villages under Azara and Garal Gaon Panchayat as per the guidelines issued from office of the State Co-ordinator. The village Garal is very near to Azara Gaon Panchayat office and since there was difficulty in identifying a location for setting up of NSK at Garal, so the NSK for the villages under Garal Gaon Panchayat was set up at Azara Gaon Panchayat office itself. Apart from that he also stated that there is provision for drinking water at the NSK. During my visit also, I found that there is provison for drinking water which is maintained by the Panchayat Office itself. Hence this part of the news item at least, does not seem to be true.

As regards the rush and long queues of Public, during my visit, there were only two to three people standing in queue and as per the version of the LRCR, the rush has come down considerably after extension of the deadline for submission of forms. Even the statement of the CRCR reflects that it was during the second week of July that there was a heavy rush of public.

From the field inspection conducted by me as well as on perusal of the statement of the CRCR, it appears that the news item might have been partly true in respect of the part relating to heavy rush of public and long queues, but that is a common scenario prevelant in almost all the NSKs in Kamrup Metropolitan District and is not exclusive to the NSK situated at Azara. Since the initial deadline for form submission was fixed at 31st July, 2015, hence there was a heavy rush of people for submitting the same. But during my visit, the public flow was comparatively less. So, it can be gathered that presently there are no long queues at the NSK in Azara Gaon Panchayat. Apart from that, the version of the CRCR reveals that the NSK was set up at Azara Gaon Panchayat office on the basis of guidelines issued by the office of the State Co-ordinator, NRC. Hence, there seems to be no gross violation of rules so far as coverage of villages under two separate Gaon Panchayats by the same NSK is concerned. So far as the part of the news item relating to non-availability of drinking water in the NSK is concerned, the said piece of news does not seem to be true as there is provision for tap water which is maintained by the Panchayat itself.

Submitted for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

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