

OFFICE OF THE **ASSAM STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION** JONAKEE COMPLEX, PANJABARI, GUWAHATI-781 037

Case No. : DHR.75/2012

Complainant/ appellant: Md. Manwar Hussain Choudhury

Respondent : Inspector of Schools, DDC, Bhubri

Date of hearing : 13.10.2015

Complaint/ Second : Shri Pinuel Basumatary, IA&AS (Retd) appeal heard by

State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 13.10.2015

Both the Public Authority and Appellant are present

Appellant submitted that he had not received the information he had sought for from R.D. Junior College, Rupshi and the information related to matters like updated Cash Book from 1.1.05, list of teaching staff of the said College, photocopy of PG level qualification of teaching staff and enrolment of students, subject-wise giving the number of students who had appeared for HS 1st year and 2nd year subject-wise from 2008, etc.

ASPIO/Asstt. Director in the Directorate of Secondary Education, Assam submitted that the said Junior College was a private institution and that Govt. had provided them with financial assistance from 2012 towards salary of teaching and non-teaching staff. Md. N. Haque, Principal of the College who was present in the hearing submitted that the institution is a private one, managed by a private organization. However, they have received financial assistance from Government beginning from 2012 as follows:

2012- Rs. 8,34,000.00

2013- Rs. 5,35,000.00

2014- Rs. 8,34,000.00

2015- not received

It is evident from the above that the institution from which information was sought by the Appellant is indeed a private institution although it had received some financial assistance since 2012 and therefore, the institution may not come under the ambit of RTI Act, 2005.

However, as expenditure from the public exchequer is involved, it would be appropriate for the State government in the Education Department to satisfy itself that the fund in question is expended for the purpose for which it is granted to the said private Junior College.

With this the Second Appeal petition is disposed of.

Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

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Secretary & Registrar
Assam State Information Commission

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- 1. The Principal Secretary, Govt. of Assam, Education (secondary) Department, Dispur for information and necessary action.
- 2. The Asstt. Director & SPIO, Directorate of Secondary Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19 for information and necessary action.
- 3. The Principal, R.D. Junior College, Rupshi, Dist. Dhubri, Assam, PIN- 783331 for information
- 4. Md. Monowar Hussain Choudhury, Vill- Bhelakoba, Po-Khudimari, dist. Dhubri, Assam, PIN- 783 331 for information.
- 5. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 6. Office File.

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