



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

Case No. : **KP(M)653/2013**
Complainant/ appellant : **Sri Madhurjya Pratim Bordoloi**
Respondent : **SEBA**
Date of hearing : **16-11-2015**
Complaint/ Second appeal heard by : **Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd)
Chief Information Commissioner, Assam**

O R D E R

The appellant/ complainant Sri Madhurjya Pratim Bordoloi is absent without information in today's hearing also. He was also absent in the last date of hearing i.e., 5-9-2015. The public authority is represented by Sri B.C. Medhi, SPIO of the Board of Secondary Education, Assam, in response to the order of this Commission dated 5-9-2015. The SPIO has submitted a written statement dated 19th October, 2015 which is entered into the case records.

In his written statement he has stated, inter alia, the following:-

- i) SEBA has to deal with 26 lakh answer scripts of HSLC and AHM examination every year.
- ii) As per the existing rules of SEBA the answer scripts of the examination are destroyed 4 months after the announcement of results.
- iii) The RTI applicant did not deposit the cost of furnishing him the copies of 3 answer scripts within the required time-frame.
- iv) Due to non receipt of the required cost and expiry of the 4 months period, as per SEBA Rules, the answer scripts were destroyed.

From the above it appears that the SPIO had no means to retrieve the destroyed answer scripts which were destroyed by the Examination Branch of SEBA as per their extant rules.

The Commission, therefore, is of the view that the SPIO cannot be held responsible for non furnishing of the answer scripts. For the repeated absence of the complainant at the time of hearing by this Commission, it appears that he is no longer interested in pursuing his complaint petition dated 21-9-2013.

In view of the above, the complaint petition is disposed of.

**Sd/-
(H. S. Das)
Assam State Chief Information Commissioner,
Panjabari, Guwahati**

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Assam State Information Commission**

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1. Sri B.C. Medhi, SPIO of the Board of Secondary Education, Assam, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati -781 021 for information and necessary action.
2. Sri Madhurjya Pratim Bordoloi, Advocate, Bar Association, Dibrugarh, PO & PS-Dibrugarh, Assam for information.
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