

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

Case No. : BPT.63/2013

Complainant/ appellant : Md Abdul Manik

Respondent : District Elementary Education Officer, Barpeta

Date of hearing : 18.11.2015

Complaint/ Second : Shri Pinuel Basumatary, IA&AS (Retd)
Appeal heard by State Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 18.11.2015

SPIO of the DEEO, Barpeta was represented by Shri Atul Ch. Bhuyan, APO, office of the District Elementary Education Officer, Barpeta.

Appellant Md Abdul Manik was present.

Perused the case records. The following is the sequence of important dates:

31.12.12	RTI Application submitted to DEEO, Barpeta
2.2.13	First Appeal filed before the DEEO, Barpeta
6.3.13	Complaint submitted to Addl. Deputy Commissioner, Barpeta
9.8.13	Second Appeal filed before the Commission.
3.11.15	Hearing Notice by Commission.

Perused the written statement submitted by District Elementary Education Officer, Barpeta. The APO in the office of the DEEO, Barpeta submitted that that office had promptly transferred the RTI Application and directed the Block Elementary Education Officer, Barpeta through letter dtd 2.1.13 to provide the information to the Applicant, the information sought for by him.

It was also submitted that the SPIO in the office of the BEEO then wrote to the Head Teachers of the concerned schools.

In response, 8 (eight) of the Head Teachers wrote to the Applicant through their letter dated 26.1.15 and the remaining 2 (two) Teachers through their letter dtd 27.2.13 to deposit the cost of photocopying.

The Appellant submitted that he did not deposit the said amount as he had not received the information, he had sought for within 30 days as stipulated by the RTI Act, 2005.

After a careful consideration, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO in the office of the BEEO, Barpeta will ensure that concerned Head Teachers to provide the requisite information to the Applicant within 10 days of receipt of this order. The information will be provided free of cost as the same has been delayed significantly.

Further, it is hereby ordered that the First Appellate Authority will consider and dispose of the First Appeal already submitted by Md. Abdul Manik with a speaking order in accordance with the RTI Act, 2005 within 21 days of receipt of this orer.

The Second Appeal is hereby disposed of.

Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

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Secretary & Registrar
Assam State Information Commission

Memo No. BPT.63/2013/

Dtd. 18.11.2015

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- 1. The District Elementary Education Officer, Barpeta, Assam, PIN- 781301 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The Block Elementary Education Officer, Barpeta, Assam, PIN- 781 301 for information and necessary action.
- 3. Md. Abdul Manik, Vill-Habi Radhakuchi, PO- Radhakuchi, Dist. Barpeta, Assam, PIN- 781309 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
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