

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

Case No.	: KP(M).365/2013
Complainant/ appellant	: Shri Dulal Bora
Respondent	: Education (Higher) Department, Govt. of Assam
Date of hearing	: 31. 12.2015
Complaint/ Second Appeal heard by	: Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd) Chief Information Commissioner, Assam
	<u>order</u>

31.12.2015

The Appellant Shri Dulal Bora is present. The Public Authority to be represented by the SPIO of Education (Higher) Department, Govt. of Assam is absent without information. In absence of the Public Authority the Second Appeal petition dtd 6.6.13 is taken up for hearing ex-parte.

From perusal of the case records it is seen that the applicant filed his RTI petition dtd 1.4.13 before the Commissioner of Education (Higher) Deptt., Govt. of Assam, Dispur seeking wide ranging information on the universities and colleges in Assam. Not getting any response to his RTI application filed his First Appeal petition before the Commissioner of Higher Education on 4.5.13 followed by his Second Appeal petition dtd 6.6.13 before this Commission.

From perusal of the RTI petition dtd 1.4.13 it is seen that the sought for information should be available with the Directorate of Higher Education. There is no indication in the case records that the Commissioner, Higher Education transferred the RTI application to the Director of Higher Education for furnishing the information to the applicant sought for by him.

In view of the above, This Commission directs the Director of Higher Education, Govt. of Assam to allow the applicant Shri Dulal Bora to inspect relevant records and documents during office hours on any working day with 15 days from the date of receipt of this order and allow him to take notes and photocopies of relevant files and documents sought for by him free of cost up to 100 photocopies and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2.00 per additional photocopy.

With the above order, the Second Appeal petition dtd 6.6.13 is disposed of.

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

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Sd/-Secretary & Registrar Assam State Information Commission

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- 1. The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Education (Higher) Department, Dispur, Guwahati- 781 006 for information and necessary action.
- The Director of Higher Education, Govt. of Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19 for information and necessary action.
- Shri Dulal Bora, Kainadhara Tiniali, House No. 118, Khanapara, Guwahati-22 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.