

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

Case No. : BPT.66 /2013

Complainant : Md. Nasher Ali

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Block Elementary

Education Officer, Mandia, Barpeta

Date of hearing : 18.01.2016

Complaint heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary

State Information Commissioner, Assam

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18.01.2016

Both the SPIO and the Complainant are absent.

However, a Written Statement dated 06.01.2016 containing an acknowledgement of receipt of information by the Complainant has been received from the SPIO.

The Complaint dated 23.04.2013 filed with the BEEO, Mandia, Barpeta was followed by First Appeal dated 30.05.2013 filed with the said Authority.

Failing to receive the information he had sought for, the Complainant filed the Complaint dated 24.07.2013 with the Commission.

The Commission had issued a notice for the hearing on 18.11.2015. The SPIO not only failed to be present at the hearing but did not make any W/S. Further, The SPIO has not submitted any explanation as to why penalty shall not be imposed on him/her under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 for his/her failure to furnish the information to the Appellant within the stipulated period of 30 days.

The second hearing was fixed for today and the SPIO was asked one more time to either be present or make a W/S including an explanation as to why penalty will not be imposed on him/her as mentioned above.

Perused the aforementioned W/S dated 06.01.2016. It has been submitted that the information sought for had since been provided to the RTI Applicant and that the copy of the acknowledgement letter dated 09.11.2015 from the RTI Applicant has been enclosed. Perused the said acknowledgement letter.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Complaint case is hereby disposed of.

Sd/-Pinuel Basumatary State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Secretary & Registrar Assam State Information Commission Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, Office of the Block Elelmentary Education Officer, Mandia, Barpeta, Assam, Pin-781308 for information and necessary action.
- 2. First Appellate Authority/ Block Elelmentary Education Officer, Mandia, Barpeta, Assam, Pin-781308 for information and necessary action.
- 3. Md. Nasher Ali, S/o Lt. Nurul Islam, Vill- Galia, PO- Garemari, Dist- Barpeta, Assam, Pin- 781314 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

Secretary & Registrar Assam State Information Commission