

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

Case No. : LPR.9/2014

Complainant/ appellant : Sri Jatin Saikia

Respondent : **BEEO**, **Uttar Lakhimpur**

Date of hearing : 15-02-2016

Complaint/ Second : Shri H.S. Das, IAS (Retd)

appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER

The petitioner Sri Jatin Saikia is absent without information. The public authority is represented by Sri Hareswar Basumatary, BEEO and SPIO of the office of BEEO , Lakhimpur, North Lakhimpur.

The Dist. Elementary Education Officer, has sent a written submission dated 10-2-2016 which is entered into the case records. The BEEO has also submitted a written submission dated 12-2-2016 which is also entered into the case records.

The second appeal petition dated 30-1-2014 is taken up for hearing ex-parte in the absence of the petitioner.

From perusal of the case records, it is seen that vide the RTI petition dated 24-7-2013 the petitioner Sri Jatin Saikia sought informations regarding payment of Time Scale arrear salary to a few Tai Language teachers for the period 2001-2002. The BEEO vide his letter dated 17-10-2013 has given information about the date of disbursement and bill amount . However, the BEEO could not give the particulars of Govt. allotment/ sanctioning letter providing the fund for payment of arrear salary to the Tai language teachers and the amount of budget provision that remained un-utilized. The second appeal petition dated 30-1-2014 of the petitioner is based on the suspicion that the arrear salary payment were drawn without any budget provision.

The allegation is serious. Containment of corruption being one of the objectives of the RTI Act, 2005, this Commission directs the BEEO Lakhimpur, Chukuliabhoria, Lakhimpur to ascertain from his office records or, if necessary from the office of the DEEO or from the office of Director, Elementary Education, about the actual position regarding budget provision for the year 2001-2002 for payment of arrear salary to Time scale Tai Language teachers of Lakhimpur district under BEEO, Lakhimpur and particulars of budget provision allotment/ sanctioning letter of the Govt. and provide these information to the petitioner to Sri Jatin Saikia by Registered Post within 60 days from the date of receipt of this order.

Send copy of this order to the Director of Elementary Education, Kahilipara , Guwahati and District Elementary Education Officer, Lakhimpur, North Lakhimpur.

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

Authenticated true copy. Sd/-

Secretary & Registrar
Assam State Information Commission

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Dtd. 15-2-2015

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- 1. Director of Elementary Education, Kahilipara , Guwahati for information and necessary action
- 2. District Elementary Education Officer, Lakhimpur, North Lakhimpur for information and necessary action.
- 3. Sri Sri Hareswar Basumatary, BEEO and SPIO of the office of BEEO , Lakhimpur, North Lakhimpur for information and necessary action.
- 1. Sri Jatin Saikia, Ward No.-4, North Lakhimpur, for information.
- 2. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4.` Office File.

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