

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

Case No. : KP(M).313 /2014

Complainant/ appellant : Shri Dulal Bora

Respondent : Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Assam

Date of hearing : 18.4.2016

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

Appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER 18.4.2016

The petitioner Shri Dulal Bora is absent without information. The Public Authority is represented by (1) Shri P.R. Khound, Jt. Secretary, Health & Famaily Welfare Department, Dispur, (2) Dr. Bobjeet Goswami, Addl. Supdt. & SPIO of Jorhat Medical College, Jorhat, (3) Shri Utpal Bhuyan, Sr. Administrative Assistant, Health & F.W. Department, and (4) Dr. B.P. Chakravorty, OSD, SPIO, DME, Assam. The Second Appeal petition dtd 17.12.13 is taken up for hearing ex-parte in absence of the petitioner.

From perusal of the case records it is seen that the petitioner Shri Dulal Bora vide his RTI petition dtd 12.8.13 wanted the following information:-

- (a) When did the then Superintendent of Jorhat Medical College Dr. Dhrubajyoti Bora joined in his service under Health & Family Welfare Deptt., Govt. of Assam:
- (b) After he joined in his service which were the places where he rendered service and the period thereof; and
- (c) When did Dr. Dhrubajyoti Bora passed his MBBS degree and from which Medical College.

The RTI application dtd 12.8.13 was addressed to the Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Health & Family Welfare Department.

The SPIO of Jorhat Medical College & Hospital (JMC&H) has made a written submission dtd 11.4.16 detailing the action taken by him on receipt of the RTI petition as transferred by the SPIO of Health & F.B. Department. He has mentioned that the petitioner was requested to deposit Rs. 130.00 as cost of photocopy for furnishing the required information. Since the petitioner did not deposit the cost, the information sought for by him could not be furnished. The Superintendent of JMC&H enclosed the sought for information with his written submission dtd 11.4.16.

However, this Commission observes that the sought for information can be furnished in only one page. There is, therefore, no justification for demanding Rs. 130.00 towards cost of photocopy for the required information.

This Commission, therefore, directs the SPIO of JMC&H to furnish the required information to the petitioner within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

With the above order, the Second Appeal petition dtd 17.12.13 is disposed of.

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

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Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/ KP(M).313/2014/26-A

Dtd. 18.4.2016

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO of Health & Family Welfare Department, Government of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for information.
- 2. The Addl. Superintendent & SPIO of Jorhat Medical College & Hospital, Jorhat, Assam for information and necessary action.
- 3. Shri Dulal Bora, Kainadhara, House No. 118, Khanapara, Guwahati-22 for information.
- 4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 5. Office File.

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