

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

Case No.	: SIC/GLT.35/2015
Appellant	: Sri Bijoy Kutum.
Respondent	: The SPIO, O/o the Director of Higher Education, Assam
Date of hearing	: 07.06.2016
Second Appeal heard by	: Shri Pinuel Basumatary, State Information Commissioner, Assam

<u>order</u> 07.06.2016

Smti. Chinmoyee Talukdar, SPIO/Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam is present along with an assistant. A Written Statement dated 06.06.2016 received from her.

The Appellant present.

Perused the W/S. It has been submitted that the RTI Application dated 20.11.2014 which was received in the Directorate on 26.11.2014 was transferred to all the 301 colleges (6 Government and rest Provincialised) in the state with a request to furnish the required information directly to the Appellant. In response to the First Appeal, the college authorities were further directed to provide the information within 7 days. Reminder had also been issued to the college authorities in this regard. The SPIO stated that the information could not be provided by the Directorate centrally for want of systematic storage of the information/records at the Directorate.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he has received the information from 39 colleges so far. It was submitted that the information relating to the recent cases should be possible to be provided by the SPIO without having to access the information from the respective colleges. The SPIO submitted that she would do her best in this regard.

In view of the facts brought out above, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO shall pursue with the defaulting colleges and ensure furnishing of the information by the remaining colleges without further delay and toward this end, she shall issue clear instruction to provide the information direct to the Appellant by reliable means including by the email ID provided for in the RTI Application specifying the time. The Commission also directs the SPIO to make an effort to provide the information that may be available in the Directorate particularly in respect of the recent cases.

With this, the Second Appeal is disposed of.

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

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- 1. The SPIO, office of the Director of Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati, Pin- 781019 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The First Appellate Authority/Director of Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati, Pin-781019 for information.
- 3. Sri Bijoy Kutum, President, Gana Sewa Sammittee, Bokakhat, P.O.- Bokakhat, Dist- Golaghat, Assam, Pin-785612 for information.
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