

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

Case No. : SIC/BPT.64/2016
Complainant/Appellant : Md. Akhtar Hussain
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Inspector of Schools, Barpeta
Date of hearing : 30.06.2016
Complaint/Appeal heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,
State Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R
30.06.2016

The Complainant/Appellant present.

The SPIO absent but has sent a Written Statement dated 20.06.2016 stating that the Appellant had been informed through a letter dated 16.09.2014 that the information sought for by him was not available in his office.

Heard the Appellant. He submitted that he has not received the said letter. He further submitted that he was still interested in the information and therefore, has requested in writing to treat his Complaint Petition as an Appeal.

Perused the case record. It is seen that the Appellant had sought information on certain things in respect of one particular demonstrator of Mandia Higher Secondary School such as migration certificate from Gauhati University for the purpose of studying in another University. The Commission is of the view that considering the subjects on which the information was sought, the SPIO, office of the Inspector of Schools, Barpeta has responded only partially. It is observed that instead of merely stating that the information was not available in the Inspectorate, the SPIO ought to have either procured the information from the concerned school or transferred it to the Principal of that school to provide the information to the Appellant. Considering the delay that has happened in providing the information in response to the RTI Application of 02.09.2014, the Commission now orders that the SPIO, office of the Inspector of Schools, BDC, Barpeta shall procure the information/documents from the concerned school, namely Mandia Higher Secondary School, Barpeta and provide it to the Appellant free of cost, within 15 days of receipt of this order.

Should the Appellant not be satisfied with the response from the SPIO in terms of this order, he shall be at liberty to file a First Appeal with the appropriate First Appellate Authority.

With this, the Appeal Petition disposed of.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

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Deputy Registrar
Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 30.06.2016

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1. The SPIO, office of the Inspector of Schools, Barpeta District Circle, Barpeta, Dist- Barpeta, Assam for information and necessary.
2. Md. Akhtar Hussain, Vill & P.O.- Mandia, Dist- Barpeta, Assam, Pin-781308 for information.
3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
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Assam Information Commission