

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

Case No. : KP(M).83/2015

Complainant/ Appellant : Shri Ratul Kumar

Respondent : Director of Sericulture, Govt. of Assam

Date of hearing : 12.8.2016

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

Appeal heard by Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER

12.8.2016

The complainant Shri Ratul Kumar is present. The public authority is represented by Shri Dipak Sarma, SPIO of the Directorate of Sericulture, Govt. of Assam accompanied by one Shri Kashyap Thakur Jr. Assistant of the said Directorate to assist him. The complaint petition dtd 16.9.15 is taken up for consideration in presence of both the parties. The petitioner submitted in writing that he is still interested in getting the sought for information and prayed for conversion of his complaint petition into a second appeal petition. His prayer is granted.

The SPIO of the Directorate of Sericulture, Assam made a written submission dtd 8th August, 2016, which is entered in to the case records.

From the case records it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dtd 29.7.15 seeking various information about written test and oral test for recruitment to grade IV post in the Directorate of Sericulture held in the month of September, 2014. He submitted that he has already received the required information except against point nos. 1 & 2, that is the marks statement of the candidates who appeared in the written test and oral test against the grade IV post held from 1.9.14 to 30.9.14. The SPIO present stated that they did not disclose the information on the ground that they are third party information.

This Commission observes that the petitioner wanted the statement of marks allotted to candidates in their written test and oral test, and not copies of the answer scripts. The marks statement is an admissible document under the RTI Act in the

opinion of this Commission. However, the number of candidates being quite large, nearly 8000, the volume of information will be quite large.

This Commission, therefore, directs the SPIO of the Directorate of Sericulture, Govt. of Assam to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant documents on any working day during office hours within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order and allow him to take notes as well as photocopies of relevant marks statement sought for by him free of cost up to 50 copies and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2.00 for every additional page of photocopy.

With the above order, the second appeal petition dtd 16.9.15 is disposed of.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/KP(M).83/2015/18-A

Dtd. 12.8.2016

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO of the office of the Director of Sericulture, Govt. of Assam, Khanapara, Guwahati-22 for information and necessary action.
- 2. Shri Ratul Kumar, Qrt. No. Type 11/2A, Kendriya Vidyalaya, Khanapara Staff Campus, PO- Khanapara, Guwahati22 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
- 5. Order Book.

Registrar
Assam Information Commission