

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

Case No. : KP(M).254 /2014  
Complainant/ Appellant : Shri Prafulla patwary  
Respondent : D.I of Schools, Guwahati  
Date of hearing : 11.7.2016  
Complaint/ Second : Shri H.S. Das, IAS ( Retd)  
Appeal heard by : Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

**O R D E R**

11.7.2016

The petitioner Shri Prafulla Patwary is present. The public authority is represented by Smti. Debabala Phukan Chetia, Statistical Assistant, as authorized by the DI of Schools, Guwahati. This Commission directs the DI of Schools, Guwahati to ensure that he himself, his SPIO or an officer under him be present for hearing before this Commission in future. The complaint petition dtd 28.3.14 filed by Shri Prafulla Patwary, the petitioner, is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

The DI of Schools, Guwahati has sent a written statement dtd 8.7.16, which is entered into the case records. In the WS the DI of Schools has stated that he received the petitioner's RTI petition dtd 8.5.13 on 14.5.13 and the same was forwarded to the Head Teacher of Lutuma L.P. School vide his office letter dtd 1.6.13. The Head Teacher of the school wrote back to the DIS, Guwahati that furnishing of the sought for information will cost Rs. 4000.00. This was communicated to the petitioner vide DIS's letter dtd 5.8.13.

The DIS has also mentioned in the written statement that some of the documents sought for by the petitioner were stolen breaking lock and key of the Head Teacher's office and almirah. The Head Teacher filed an FIR with the Fatashil Ambari Police Station.

The report of the Head Teacher of Lutuma L.P. School, Guwahati does not appear to be convincing. It seems highly unreasonable that any thief should take the trouble of stealing only those records including cash book and minutes of the School Management Committee, Bank Pass Book, etc., which were sought for by

the petitioner through his RTI petition dtd 8.5.13. Some vested interest may be at work.

The petitioner submitted that he will be satisfied if he could get (a) copies of the cash book, (b) copies of the minutes of the proceedings of the School Management Committee, (c) copies of bank pass book, and (d) particulars of fund and materials received by the L.P. School under the Mid Day Meal Scheme-for a period of two years preceding his RTI application dtd 8.5.13 for (a), (b) and (c) above.

Fix 11.30 AM on 17.8.16 for hearing of this complaint case u/s 18 of the RTI Act, 2005.

Issue summons to:- (1) DI of Schools, Kamrup (M), (2) Officer incharge, Fatashil Ambari Police Station, and (3) the Head Teacher of Lutuma L.P. School, Guwhati for appearance with all available relevant records and documents for inspection by this Commission on the next date of hearing.

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

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Registrar  
Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 11.7.2016

Copy to:

1. The Deputy Inspector of Schools, Kamrup (M), Guwahati for information and necessary action.
2. the Officer incharge of Fatashil Ambari Police Station, Guwahati for information and necessary action.
3. The Head Teacher, Lutuma L.P. School, Lutuma, Battalian Gate, Kahilipara, Guwahati-18 for information and necessary action.
4. Shri Prafulla Patwary, Lutuma Battalian Gate, Kahilipara, PO-Binobha Nagar, Guwaahiti-18 for information.
5. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
6. Office File.
7. Order Book.

Registrar  
Assam Information Commission