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

Case No. : **KP(R) 25/2016**

Complainant/ appellant : Md. Azizur Rahman

Respondent : Inspector of Schools, Kamrup (Rural), Amingaon.

Date of hearing : **09-8-2016**

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

appeal heard by State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

ORDER

The petitioner Md. Azizur Rahman is present. The public authority is represented by :- (1) Ms. Bhabani Kalita, Asstt. Director and ASPIO, Directorate of Secondary Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati-19, (2) Sri Girish Kalita, Jr. Assistant, Office of the Directorate of Secondary Education, Assam, (3) Sri Gagan Bhattacharryya, Statistical Assistant, Office of the Inspector of Schools, Kamrup (R) and (5) Md. Majnuruddin Ali Ahmed, Principal I/c Rangia Madrassa H. S. School.

The Joint Director of Secondary Education has submitted a written statement dated 4-8-2016, which is entered into the case records.

The second appeal petition dated 29-9-2015 is taken up for hearing in presence of both the parties.

From perusal of the case records it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 27-5-2015 before the Inspector of Schools, Secondary Education, Amingaon, Guwahati, through the SDO (Civil) Rangiya seeking information against 8 different points. The PIO of SDO (Civil) Rangiya transferred the RTI petition to the Inspector of Schools on 28-5-2015 with information to the petitioner. The representative of the Inspector of Schools produced a copy of the letter dated 28-5-2015 by which the Principal of Rangiya Madrasa H.S School was asked to furnish the information to the petitioner.

The Principal of the Madrasa Higher Secondary School submitted before this Commission today a copy of letter dated 29-9-2014 stating that he had sent the information to the petitioner in the address given by him by Registered post. But it was returned un-delivered as the addressee could not be found out by the Postal Authorities on 14-10-2014, 16-10-2014 and 18-10-2014. The same information was again sent to the petitioner by Registered Post on 10-12-2014. This was also returned by the Postal Authorities on 10-12-2014 un-delivered on the same grounds.

Thereafter, the Principal of the school furnished the detailed information supported by relevant documents to the Inspector of Schools on 26-12-2015, copy of which was also sent to the petitioner by Registered Post.

However, the petitioner, who was present today submitted that he did not receive the above communications dated 29-9-2014 and 10-12-2014.

The Commission observed that the first two communications from the Principal which was sent in the year 2014 are prior to the date of the present RTI petition, which was dated 27-5-2015. Hence they are irrelevant to the present appeal case.

The petitioner, however, submitted that he has received the third communication dated 26-12-2015 from the Principal of the concerned Madrasa , but not in the manner in which information was sought for.

This Commission observed that the information sought for by the petitioner is quite voluminous and requires compilation, which is not binding on the public authority under the RTI Act. The petitioner submitted that he will be satisfied, if he is provided the information sought for by him during the tenure of the present Principal of the School Md. Majnuruddin Ali Ahmed.

This Commission, therefore, directs the Principal of Rangiya Madrasa Higher Secondary School to allow the petitioner to inspect the relevant records and documents sought for by him within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order and allow him to take notes and also photo copies of all relevant documents free of cost up to 25 copies and thereafter, on payment of Rs. 2/- for every additional page of photo copy.

With the above order the second appeal petition dated 29-9-15 is disposed of.

Sd/-(H.S.Das)

State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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Assam Information Commission

Memo No.SIC/ KP(R)25/2016/13-A

Dated.9-8-2016

Copy to:

- 1. Md. Majnuruddin Ali Ahmed., Principal I/c Rangia Madrassa H. S. School. for information and necessary action, as ordered above.
- 2. Md. Azizur Rahman , Danis Bhawan (Back side of Panchayat Bhawan), Rangiya P.O- Rangiya, Kamrup, Assam , PIN- 781354 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
- 5. Order Book.

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