

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

Case No.	: SIC/GLT.5/2016	
Appellant/Complainant	: Sri Jibeswar Kalita.	
Respondent	: The SPIO, O/o the Inspector of Schools, Golaghat.	
Date of hearing	: 07.09.2016	
Appeal/Complaint heard by	: Shri Pinuel Basumatary, State Information Commissioner, Assam	

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The Complainant/Appellant present and has submitted a Written Statement dated 22.08.2016.

The SPIO is represented by Shri Pranab Jyoti Sarma, Steno, office of the Inspector of Schools, GDC, Golaghat. Written Statements dated 19.08.2016 and 23.08.2016 received from the First Appellate Authority/Inspector of Schools, GDC, Golaghat.

Heard the Appellant and perused his W/S. He submitted that he has received incomplete information.

Perused the Written Statements from the Inspector of Schools, GDC, Golaghat. It has been submitted that the information had been sent to the Appellant by ordinary post on 08.07.2015 and after learning from Commission's hearing notice that the Appellant had not received the same, the information was sent to him once again through a letter no. GDC/EST/2006/406 dated 05.07.2016 on the very day of receiving the Commission's notice. Photocopy of the courier receipt has been enclosed as evidence. It has been added that another set of the documents had been sent to the Appellant in the meantime. It has further been submitted that there was no negligence on the part of the Public Authority in the matter of furnishing of the information.

Based on further submission by the Appellant and perusal of the information/documents provided to him, the Commission observes that the RTI Application was not drafted clearly as to what information was sought. Based on the explication of the points provided by the Appellant, the Commission hereby orders as follows –

- 1. The Appellant shall communicate to the SPIO in writing gaps/shortcomings in the information provided to him with reference to the point nos. 1, 8 and 9 of his Application, within 7 days of receipt of this order;
- 2. On receipt of the aforementioned communication from the Appellant, the SPIO, office of the Inspector of Schools, Golaghat shall provide the information/documents as available in the office, within 10 days of receipt of the order, free of cost;
- 3. It is seen that in respect of point no. 2 of the RTI Application, the SPIO advised the Appellant to collect the information from his office at his own cost on the ground that the office had no budgetary provision for work related to the RTI Act, 2005. However, it is seen that the document that may have to be provided to the Appellant in connection with

this point is not likely to be voluminous and therefore, the SPIO shall provide the same, free of cost, within 10 days of receipt of this order; and

4. Point numbers 10 and 11 are not amenable to providing information owing to be lack of clarity.

With this, the Second Appeal Petition is disposed of.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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Sd/-Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission

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1. The SPIO, office of the Inspector of Schools, Golaghat Dist- Golaghat, Assam for information and necessary action.

2. The First Appellate Authority/Deputy Commissioner, Golaghat, Dist-Golaghat, Assam for information and necessary action.

3. Sri Jibeswar Kalita, General Secretary, Antaranga Sanjog Samity, Kumargaon, Dergaon, P.O.- Dergaon, Dist- Golaghat, Assam for information.

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