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

Case No. : MRN.3/2015

Complainant/ appellant :Sri Anmol Sing Chauhan

Respondent :SPIO O/o Deputy Registrar, Gauhati University

Date of hearing : 14-9-2016

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

appeal heard by State Chief Information Commissioner, Assam

#### ORDER

The petitioner Sri Anmol Sing Chauhan is present accompanied by his Advocate Smti Suchitra Das Choudhury. The public authority to be represented by the SPIO of the office of Principal Gerua Kabiram Boro Jr. college, P.O-Niz Gerua, District-Morigaon is absent without any information.

The second appeal petition dated 19-6-2015 is taken up for hearing ex parte in the absence of the public authority.

From perusal of the case records it is seen that the petitioner filed an RTI petition dated 5-9-2014 addressed to the SPIO-cum- Deputy Registrar of Gauhati University.

By a letter dated 22-9-2014 the PIO-cum- Deputy Registrar of Gauhati University transferred the RTI application under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Principal of Gerua Kabiram Boro Jr. college. The Deputy Registrar, Gauhati University advised the Principal to furnish the required information to the applicant within 30 days from the date of receipt of the transferred RTI petition.

When asked by this Commission the petitioner/appellant deposed that the Gerua Kabiram Boro Jr. College is a private college in receipt of financial assistance and other benefits from the Government. Hence, although not a Govt. college it qualifies to be treated as public authority under Section 2(h) of the RTI Act, 2005 on the ground that it has received substantial financial assistance from the Govt. The advocate for the appellant prayed for 30 days' time to substantiate her contention that Gerua Kabiram Boro college is a public authority under Section 2(h) of the RTI Act, 2005.

In his absence the Principal/SPIO of the college could not be heard. As prayed by the appellant 30 days time is granted .

Fix <u>15-10-2016 at 12.30 P.M</u> for next hearing.

Issue notice to both the parties for appearance on the next date.

Sd/-(H.S.Das)

Chief Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

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### Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

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Dated.14-09-2016

# Copy to:

- 1. SPIO of the office of Principal Gerua Kabiram Boro Jr. College, P.O-Niz Gerua, District-Morigaon for information and necessary action.
- 2. Sri Anmol Sing Chauhan, Vill & P.O-Bhuragaon,, Dist- Morigaon, Assam, PIN-782121 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
- 4. Office File.
- 5. Order Book.

Registrar Assam Information Commission