

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

Case No.	: SIC/HLK.66/2016
Appellant	: Md. Foriz Uddin Laskar.
Respondent	: The SPIO, office of the Head Teacher, 44 No. Kanchanpur L.P School, Hailakandi.
Date of hearing	: 28.11.2016
Second Appeal heard by	: Smt. Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.) State Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R 28.11.2016

The Petitioner Md. Foriz Uddin Laskar is present. He stated that he had not received any information on his RTI Petition dated 19.08.2014, nor any order disposing his First Appeal Petition.

The Public Authority to be represented by Head Teacher, 44 No. Kanchanpur L.P School, Hailakandi is absent without any intimation. The First Appellate Authority/BEEO, Hailakandi is also absent without any intimation.

In the absence of the SPIO in the hearing and any Written Statement from him, the Commission is not in a position to verify the compliance or otherwise by the SPIO with the provision of the RTI Act, 2005.

On perusal of records, it appears that the BEEO, Hailakandi had directed the Head Teacher, 44 No. Kanchanpur L.P School, Hailakandi on 02.09.2014 to furnish the information to the Petitioner and the Head Teacher vide letter dated 19.09.2014 had directed the Petitioner to deposit an amount of Rs. 8,000/- only as photocopy charges of the sought for documents. The Petitioner vide letter dated 13.10.2014 requested the First Appellate Authority/BEEO, Hailakandi to furnish the information free of cost.

On perusal of the RTI Petition, it appears that the information sought for by the Petitioner vide his RTI Petition dated 19.08.2014 is voluminous in nature relating to several categories of information for several years. Furnishing of complete information by making photocopies will require compilation of information and substantial cost in making photocopy.

The Commission, therefore, directs the petitioner to inspect the relevant records and documents in the office of the Head Teacher, 44 No. Kanchanpur L.P School, Hailakandi with prior intimation to the School Authority within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order and complete inspection of documents during office hours within two working day.

The Head Teacher, 44 No. Kanchanpur L.P School, Hailakandi is also directed to allow the Petitioner to inspect the relevant record and documents as above and allow him to take notes and photocopies of the documents sought for, free of cost, upto 20 copies and thereafter on payment of Rs. 2/- for every additional page of photocopy.

With the above instruction, the Second Appeal Petition dated 25.10.2016 is disposed of.

Sd/-Nilufer Alam Hazarika, IAS (Retd.) State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Deputy Registrar Assam Information Commission Memo No. SIC/ HLK.66/2016/ 18-A

Copy to:

1. The SPIO, office of the Head Teacher, 44 No. Kanchanpur L.P School, Kanchanpur Pt.II, District-Hailakandi, Assam for information and necessary action.

2. The First Appellate Authority/BEEO, Hailakandi, District-Hailakandi, Assam for information.

3. Md. Foriz Uddin Laskar, S/o Lt. Arrijumond Ali Laskar, Vill.-Kanchanpur Pt.II, P.O. – Kanchanpur, P.S. & Dist. – Hailakandi, Assam, Pin – 788 152 for information.

4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.

5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar

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