

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

Case No. : SIC/GLT.35/2015
Appellant/Complainant : Shri Bijoy Kutum.
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Director of Higher Education, Assam
Date of hearing : 04.03.2017
Complaint heard by : Shri Pinuel Basumatary,
State Information Commissioner, Assam

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Smt. Chinmoyee Talukdar, SPIO/Deputy Director of Higher Education, Assam is present along with an assistant. She has submitted a Written Statement dated 03.03.2017.

The Appellant/Complainant, Shri Bijoy Kutum is present.

Heard the Appellant/Complainant. He submitted that he was yet to receive the information in respect of all the colleges and the SPIO has not fully complied with the Commission's order dated 07.06.2016.

From the W/S and the deposition of the SPIO, it is seen that consequent on her directive issued to the Principals of the Colleges to comply with the order of the Commission, some colleges have provided the information directly to the Appellant and approximately 40 colleges remained to comply with the directive. It appears however, that not a single Principal furnished the information to the Appellant by e-mail which they were advised to do for convenience and speed.

Considering the submissions by the SPIO and the Appellant, the Commission hereby orders that the SPIO, O/o the Director of Higher Education, Assam shall issue a reminder to all the defaulter Principals of the Colleges in stricter terms to furnish the information to the Appellant, free of cost, within a stipulated time frame which shall not exceed 15 days from the date of receipt of her directive. The Commission also directs the Director of Higher Education, Assam to take appropriate action on the Principals of the Colleges who failed to furnish the information sought for by the Appellant through his RTI Application dated 20.11.2014 and thus violated the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

With this, the Complaint about non-compliance is hereby disposed of. However, the Appellant shall be at liberty to approach the Commission, if he is aggrieved by the response of the SPIO.

Sd/-

Pinuel Basumatary
State Information Commissioner, Assam
Panjabari, Guwahati

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Deputy Registrar
Assam Information Commission

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Dtd. 04.03.2017

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1. The SPIO, O/o the Director of Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati, Pin- 781 019 for information and necessary action.
2. The First Appellate Authority/Director of Higher Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati, Pin- 781 019 for information.
3. Sri Bijoy Kutum, President, Gana Sewa Sammittee, Bokakhat, P.O.- Bokakhat, Dist- Golaghat, Assam, Pin- 785 612 for information.
4. Computer Section for uploading in the Website.
5. Office File.

Deputy Registrar

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