

Case No. : SIC/DRN.4/2021
Complainant/ Appellant : Md. Ali Ahmed.
Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Secondary Education Department,
Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati, Assam PIN Code
781006.
Date of Hearing : 29-10-2021
Complaint/ Second
Appeal heard by : Shri Samudra G. Kashyap.
State Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R
22-12-2021

1. The appellant Md. Ali Ahmed is absent without any intimation.
2. Shri Suresh Chandra Bhagawati (SPIO) and Under Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Government of Assam, Dispur, is present. He is assisted by Shri Jagneswar Pathak, Sr. A.A. in the Department. The SPIO Shri Suresh Chandra Bhagawati had also submitted a written statement No. ASE.988/2018/73 dated 25.10.2021.
3. From perusal of records it is seen that the appellant Md. Ali Ahmed had submitted one RTI application to the SPIO, O/o the Elementary Education Department, Government of Assam, on 08.09.2020, seeking certain informations related to the authenticity of two institutions which had issued certificates to one Md. Sufiur Rahman - one issued by Sankardev College of Allied Sciences, Narengi, Guwahati, and the other issued by the All India Educational Parishad, New Delhi. He also wanted to know if those certificates were acceptable in matters of eligibility for selection of TET teachers. While the appellant submitted a 1st Appeal on 20.10.2020 in the O/o the Commissioner Secretary, Elementary Education Department, Government of Assam, the SPIO, Elementary Education Department, on 21.10.2020 transferred the said RTI application to the SPIO, O/o the Directorate of Secondary Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati, vide letter No. AEE (RTI)4/2020/14 dated 21.10.2020, with a copy marked to the applicant Shri Md. Ali Ahmed. Records also show that the SPIO in the Directorate of Secondary Education, Assam, Kahilipara, Guwahati, on 21.12.2020 transferred the SCERT's letter to the SPIO and Under Secretary, Secondary Education Department, Dispur, vide letter No. DSE/RTI/10/2019/27 with a request to furnish the required information to the petitioner. On 18.01.2021 the appellant Shri Md. Ali Ahmed submitted a 2nd Appeal in the Commission after not getting any response from the concerned Public Authorities.
4. The Commission fixed 30.04.2021 as date of hearing on the 2nd Appeal. On 30.04.2021 the hearing of the 2nd Appeal could not be held in view of the pandemic situation and was refixed for 22.09.2021. During the hearing on 22.09.2021, the appellant Md. Ali Ahmed was absent without any intimation, while the Directorate of Secondary Education had sent a letter to the Commission informing that the informations sought by the appellant was not available in the said Directorate, and as such the RTI petition was transferred to the Secondary Education Department, Government of Assam on 21.12.2020 and 05.01.2021.
5. **Records however show that the SPIO Secondary Education Department had transferred the said RTI application on 27.01.2021 to the SPIO, O/o the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council, Guwahati, and the SPIO, O/o of the Secondary Educational Board of Assam, Guwahati, vide letter No. ASE.988/2018/62, with a request to both the SPIO's to furnish the information required directly to the applicant with intimation to the Department. A copy was also marked to the Registrar, Assam Information Commission.**

6. In view of the above a fresh date may be fixed on **19.01.2022** at **11:20 AM** for hearing of this case. The SPIO, Secondary Education Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati, is directed to submit a written statement on the status of disposal of the RTI application of Shri Md. Ali Ahmed, dated 08.09.2020, on or before the next date of hearing.
7. **This order shall constitute the notice for hearing.**

Sd/-
(Samudra G. Kashyap)
State Information Commissioner,
Assam.

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-
Secretary & Registrar
Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/DRN.4/2021

Dated: 22-12-2021

Copy to:

1. The SPIO, O/o the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati, PIN Code 781021, for information and necessary action. He/She is directed to present his case personally in the next date of hearing.
2. The SPIO, O/o of the Secondary Educational Board of Assam, Guwahati, PIN Code 781021, for information and necessary action. He/She is directed to present his case personally in the next date of hearing
3. The SPIO, O/o the Secondary Education Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati, Assam PIN Code 781006, for information.
4. The SPIO, O/o the Director of Secondary Education, Kahilipara, Guwahati, Assam PIN Code 781019, for information.
5. First Appellate Authority/ Elementary Education Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati, PIN Code 781006, for information.
6. The petitioner, Md. Ali Ahmed, S/o. Lt. Hasen Sheikh, Vill- 1No. Khetaswar, P.O. & P.S. Kharupetia, Distt. Darrang, Assam PIN Code 784115, for information. He/She is directed to present his case personally in the next date of hearing.
7. Computer section for uploading in the website.
8. Office File.
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