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Case No. : SIC/CCR.52/2021

Complainant/ Appellant : Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh.

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School,

Poilapool, Lakhipur, Distt. Cachar, Assam.

Date of Hearing : 08-03-2022

Complaint/ Second Appeal heard by

: Dr. Samudra G. Kashyap.

State Information Commissioner, Assam

O R D E R 08-03-2022

1. The appellant Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh is absent. But he is represented by Shri Dipanjan Chakrabarty, Advocate and Shri Ph. Manidhon Singha, who have been duly authorized by the appellant Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh.

- 2. The SPIO, O/o the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School, Poilapool, Lakhipur, Distt. Cachar, Assam, is absent. But the SPIO is represented by Shri Kishan Biswakarma, Advocate.
- 3. From perusal of records it is seen that the appellant Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh had submitted an RTI application to the O/o the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School, Poilapool, Lakhipur, Distt. Cachar, Assam, on 14.12.2018 seeking copies of all documents pertaining to Emmanuel H.S. School, Poilapool, Lakhipur, and submitted to or received in the O/o the Inspector of Schools, Silchar, from January 2015 onwards. The Inspector of Schools on 14.03.2019 transferred the said RTI application to the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School, Poilapool, Lakhipur, Distt. Cachar, Assam, with a request to furnish the information directly to the appellant Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh. On 18.01.2021 he submitted an Appeal before the FAA, Secondary Education Department, Govt. of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati. On 30.03.2021 the FAA directed the Inspector of Schools, Silchar, Cachar, the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School, Poilapool, Lakhipur, Distt. Cachar, Assam, and the appellant Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh to be present on the hearing on 07.04.2021.
- 4. During today's hearing the authorized representative of Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh, stated that while the appellant Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh turned up for the 1st Appeal hearing on 07.04.2021, the hearing was apparently not held as the other parties had failed to turn up. The FAA had then apparently verbally assured to hold the hearing at a later date, but no written order was passed. On 10.06.2021 the appellant Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh preferred a 2nd Appeal before the Commission and hence this hearing was taken up today.
- 5. From records it is clear that the SPIO, O/o the Inspector of Schools, Silchar, could have easily disposed the said RTI application of Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh instead of causing a lot of complicacies by transferring the application to the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School, Poilapool, Lakhipur, Distt. Cachar, Assam, During today's hearing, the representative of the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School, prayed for fixing another date on the ground that the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School, has been not keeping well. The authorized representative however has not submitted any medical certificate in this connection, which he is directed to furnish to the Commission within 24 hours.
- 6. Though the representative of the appellant Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh prayed for disposal of the matter today itself, the Commission would also like to hear the Inspector of Schools, CDC, Silchar, Cachar. As such, the SPIO, O/o the Inspector of

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Schools, CDC, Silchar, is directed to personally appear before this Commission on that date. The FAA, Secondary Education Department, is also directed to be present in the hearing.

- 7. Fix 19.04.2022 at 11:00 AM as the next date of hearing.
- 8. This order shall constitute the notice of hearing.

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

Authenticated true copy.

Sd/-Secretary & Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/CCR.52/2021

Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, O/o the Principal, Emmanuel H.S. School, Poilapool, Lakhipur, Distt. Cachar, Assam, for information and necessary action. He/She is directed to present his/her case personally in the next date of hearing.
- 2. The SPIO, O/o the Inspector of Schools, CDC, Silchar, for information and necessary action. He/She is directed to present his/her case personally in the next date of hearing.
- 3. First Appellate Authority/ Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Secondary Education Department Assam, for information and necessary action. He/She is directed to present his/her case personally in the next date of hearing.
- 4. The petitioner, Dr. M. Sanatomba Singh, Emmanuel Hospital Compound, P.O. Poilapool, Lakhipur, Distt. Cachar, Assam Assam PIN Code 788098, for information and necessary action. He is directed to present his case personally in the next date of hearing.
- 5. Computer section for uploading in the website.
- 6. Office File.

7. Order Book.

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