



ASSAM INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Case No.	: SIC/KMJ.31/2021
Appellant/Complainant	: Md. Abdur Raquib
Respondent	: The SPIO, O/o the Elementary Education Deptt., Government of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati- 6
Date of hearing	: 11.05.2022
Second Appeal / Complaint heard by	: Sri Kanak Ch. Sarma State Information Commissioner, Assam

<u>O R D E R</u> 19.05.2022

Smti. Arpana Deka Barman, Deputy Secretary and SPIO, Education (Elementary) Department is present. Sri Hema Chandra Saikia, Deputy Director of Elementary Education, Assam is also present along with Sri Ranjan Sarkar, Senior Administrative Asstt.

Seen the case record. The appellant/complainant submitted one application dated 02.06.2018 under the RTI Act, 2005 before the Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Assam, Elementary Education Deptt. seeking certain informations. He did not receive the desired informations within the stipulated period of time and submitted complaint petition dated 05.04.2021 before the Commission.

Seen the RTI application dated 02.06.2018. The complainant desired to get full information about action taken by the Government of Assam in Elementary Education Deptt. in respect of letter no. 1/921/2017 dated 30.11.2017 issued by the Deputy Secretary of Chief Minister's Secretariat addressed to the Commissioner & Secretary, Education (Elementary) Deptt.

The SPIO, Elementary Education Deptt. has submitted written statement vide letter no. AEE(RTI)1/2020/78 dated 10.05.2022. It is submitted that the Elementary Education Deptt. issued one letter to the appellant to clarify as to which specific point the appellant required the informations vide its no. AEE(RTI)1/2020/71 dated 03.12.2021 but it is pertinent to mention that there is no provision to ask such question under the RTI Act, 2005. Further, it is submitted that the concerned file no. ELC/CR1577/19/1/Pt-I has been reconstructed and relevant informations are available to be furnished. The Directorate of Elementary Education, Assam has organized a hearing on 10.05.2022 and findings of the hearing will be submitted to the Government for redressing the grievance of the appellant.

It is observed that both the Department i.e. Education (Elementary) Department and Directorate of Elementary Education, Assam have delayed in furnishing informations to the appellant. The SPIO of Education (Elementary) Department, Government of Assam is directed to furnish the desired informations to the appellant against his RTI petition dated 02.06.2018 within seven days of receipt of this order.

The Commission restrained from imposing penalty on the SPIO considering the fact that Department as well as Directorate have taken initiative to resolve the problems of the appellant.

With the above directions, the petition dated 05.04.2021 is disposed of.

Sd/-

(Kanak Ch. Sarma) State Information Commissioner, Assam Panjabari, Guwahati

Authenticated true copy

Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

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Copy to:

- 1. The SPIO, O/o the Elementary Education Deptt., Government of Assam, Dispur, Guwahati- 6 for information and necessary action.
- 2. The Appellant/Complainant, Md. Abdur Raquib, C.T. Janakalyan Tapshili, M.E. School, PO- Kalima, Dist.- Karimganj, Assam, Pin- 788 710, Contact No. 9401689428 for information.
- 3. Computer Section for uploading the order in the Website.
- 4. Office File.

Registrar Assam Information Commission

Dtd.19.05.2022