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Case No. : SIC/BNG.2/2022 Complainant/ Appellant : Shri Gaziur Rahman

Respondent : The SPIO, O/o the BEEO cum Block Mission Co-

Ordinator, SSA, Srijangram Block, Distt.

Bongaigaon, Assam.

Date of Hearing Complaint/ Second Appeal heard by : 10-05-2022

: Dr. Samudra G. Kashyap.

State Information Commissioner, Assam.

O R D E R 10-05-2022

1. The appellant Shri Gaziur Rahman is present.

- 2. The SPIO, O/o the Block Elementary Education Officer cum Block Mission Co-Ordinator, SSA, Srijangram Block, Distt. Bongaigaon, Assam, is absent without an intimation. The hearing was taken up despite the absence of the SPIO, in the interest of furnishing of information and speedy disposal of the case. The appellant Shri Gaziur Rahman on his part said that since he had attended the hearing by travelling a long distance, as such he be heard and an order passed. The prayer is granted.
- 3. From records it is seen that the appellant Shri Gaziur Rahman had submitted an RTI application to the SPIO, O/o the BEEO, pertaining to Pub Ghoramara L.P. School, P.O. Rongapani, Distt. Bongaigaon. The BEEO cum Block Mission Co-Ordinator, SSA, Srijangram Block, on 16.11.2021 transferred the said RTI application to the Head Teacher, Pub Ghoramara L.P. School, with a direction to furnish the informations to the BEEO's office within 3 (three) days from that date. Records show that the appellant Shri Gaziur Rahman on 15.11.2021 submitted a 1st Appeal. On 22.11.2021, the Head Teacher, Pub Ghoramara L.P. School wrote to the BEEO, Srijangram, stating that the appellant Shri Gaziur Rahman be asked to deposit Rs. 2400 (two thousand four hundred) only as photocopying charges for the information sought. The BEEO cum Block Mission Co-Ordinator, SSA, Srijangram Block, on 26.11.2021 forwarded the Head Teacher's letter to the appellant Shri Gaziur Rahman. Accordingly the appellant Shri Gaziur Rahman submitted in cash Rs. 2400 (two thousand four hundred) to the O/o the BEEO, on 03.12.2021 against which the O/o the BEEO gave him acknowledgement on the copy of the letter of the Head Teacher dated 22.11.2021. On examination of the said copy provided by the appellant it is however seen that the BEEO's Office has not put any official stamp or seal in the acknowledgement note receiving Rs. 2400 (two thousand four hundred) and that there is an illegible signature on it.
- 4. While the appellant Shri Gajiur Rahman submitted a 2nd appeal in this Commission on 03.01.2021, during today's hearing he claimed that though he had deposited the photocopying charges (Rs. 2400 only) on 03.12.2021 itself, he has yet to receive the information sought.
- 5. In the absence of the SPIO, the contention of the appellant Shri Gajiur Rahman that he has not being provided the information could not be verified. Despite the above the SPIO, O/o the BEEO cum Block Mission Co-Ordinator, SSA, Srijangram

Block is directed to ensure that the appellant Shri Gaziur Rahman is furnished with the informations he had sought, within 10 (ten) days from the date of receipt of this order. The SPIO, O/o the BEEO cum Block Mission Co-Ordinator, SSA, Srijangram Block is also once again directed to submit a written statement explaining why penalty under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, shall not be imposed on him/her for his/her failure to furnish the sought for information within the stipulated time period. The SPIO's written statement should reach the Commission on or before 15th June, 2022.

- 6. The Block Elementary Education Officer, Srijangram, is also directed to enquire who had received the sum of Rs 2400/- in cash from the appellant.
- 7. Fix 15.06.2022 at 12:20 PM as the next date of hearing on the written statement of the SPIO, O/o the BEEO, cum Block Mission Co-Ordinator, SSA, Srijangram Block. The SPIO is directed to personally remain present in the hearing.
- 8. This order shall constitute the notice of hearing.

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

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Sd/-Registrar Assam Information Commission

Memo No. SIC/BNG.2/2022

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- The SPIO, O/o the BEEO cum Block Mission Co-Ordinator, SSA, Srijangram Block, Distt. Bongaigaon, PIN Code. 783383, Assam, for information and necessary action. He/She is directed to present his/her case personally in the next date of hearing.
- The Block Elementary Education Officer, Srijangram Block, Distt. Bongaigaon, PIN Code. 783383, Assam, for information and necessary action
- 3. The First Appellate Authority/ O/o the BEEO, Srijangram Block, Distt. Bongaigaon, PIN Code. 783384, Assam, for information.
- 4. The petitioner, Shri Gaziur Rahman, S/o Bisha Sheikh, Vill. Ghoramara Pt-I, P.O. Rangapani, P.S. Mererchar, Distt. Bongaigaon, PIN Code. 783384, for information.
- 5. Computer section for uploading in the website.
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Dated: 10-05-2022