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No. NIC/Appeal-17/2017-18

Dated Kohima, the 25th January, 2018

Subject: Notice for Hearing on 15th February, 2018 (Thursday) at 12:00 P.M.

WHEREAS, under Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commission had received a second appeal dated 27.01.2015 transferred from the Central Information Commission, New Delhi vide No.CIC-CC-A-2015-000131-MP dated 31.05.2017 which was preferred by Shri. R. Venkataraman, No.13 Pillaiyar Koil Street, Gayathri Flats, Khishna Nagar Pammal, Chennai-600075 against the non-response of the Asst. Administrative Officer & PIO to his RTI application dated 10.11.2014 and his subsequent first appeal dated 16.12.2014 by the Director cum Registrar & First Appellate Authority, The Global Open University Nagaland.

AND WHEREAS, the applicant, Shri. R. Venkataraman had earlier submitted an RTI application dated 10.11.2014 addressed to the Asst. Administrative Officer & PIO, The Global Open University Nagaland, Kohima Campus along with the prescribed application fee of `10/paid through IPO bearing No. 25F 604168 seeking the following information regarding the exam routine for LLM first and second year published by The Global Open University Nagaland:

- 1. Dates on which the candidates have to appear for the above said six papers. (viz Constitutional Law, Law Relating to Arbitration & Conciliation, International Commercial Arbitration, Alternative Dispute Resolution, Case studies in Arbitration/Mediation).
- 2. Reason(s) for not indicating he specific dates in the Examination Schedule 9Time Table) for writing the above said Six papers.
- 3. Action taken by the Global Open University, Nagaland to specifically indicate the dates in the Examination Schedule (Time Table) in future for the above said Six papers.

AND WHEREAS, the RTI application was sent by Speed Post on 10.11.2014 bearing No. ET153229226IN which was received by the Public Authority in Kohima on 13.11.2014 as evidenced in the Detailed Track Events enclosed in his second appeal to the Commission.

AND WHEREAS, on not getting any response to his RTI application dated 10.11.2014, the applicant had submitted a first appeal dated 16.12.2014 addressed to the Director cum Registrar & First Appellate Authority, The Global Open University Nagaland, Kohima by speed post on 16.12.2014 bearing No. ET056352710IN and which was received by the Public Authority in Kohima on **24.12.2014** as evidenced in the Detailed Track Events enclosed in his second appeal to the Commission.

AND WHEREAS, on not getting any response from the Director cum Registrar & First Appellate Authority to his first appeal dated 16.12.2014, the applicant (now appellant) had preferred a second appeal dated 27.01.2015 before the Central Information Commission, New Delhi, however, the appeal was transferred to this Commission vide No.CIC-CC-A-2015-000131-MP dated **31.05.2017** since it was under the jurisdiction of this Commission.

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the second appeal dated **27.01.2015**, since the first appeal dated 16.12.2014 was not heard, the Commission had, vide letter of even No. dated 07.09.2017 directed the First Appellate Authority to take up the first appeal by hearing the parties i.e, the applicant and the PIO concerned and pass decision within 1 (one) month from the date of receipt of the directive and submit a copy of the decision to the Commission.

AND WHEREAS, in response to the Commission's directive of even No. dated 07.09.2017, the Director cum Registrar & First Appellate Authority, The Global Open University Nagaland had, vide No. GOUN/2-14/16/A VOL I/356 dated 18.10.2017 submitted to the Commission that the University had received the RTI application dated 10.11.2014 and the subsequent first appeal dated 16.12.2014, and that reply was furnished to the applicant vide letter No. GOUN/ADMN/1-4/06/VOL IX/06 dated 28.01.2015. Furthermore, since there was no dissatisfaction with the reply from the applicant (now appellant), the Director cum Registrar & First Appellate Authority had requested the Commission for closure of the appeal case.

AND WHEREAS, the Commission observed that since the Director cum Registrar & First Appellate Authority had not heard the first appeal as directed and that since there was delay in furnishing the information to the applicant (now appellant), the Commission has decided to hear the appeal giving opportunity of being heard to all the parties on <u>15th February, 2018 (Thursday)</u> <u>at 12:00 P.M</u> in the <u>Hearing Room of Nagaland information Commission, Below Raj Bhavan,</u> <u>Officers' Hill Colony, Nagaland, Kohima</u>.

NOW THEREFORE, the following parties are directed to appear before this Commission and <u>also to bring the files and relevant documents</u> in question for scrutiny, on the above date and time for hearing.

- 1. The Director-cum-Registrar & First Appellate Authority, The Global Open University Nagaland, Sodzulhou Village, Dimapur.
- 2. The AAO & PIO, The Global Open University Nagaland, Sodzulhou Village, Dimapur.
- 3. The applicant (now appellant), Shri. R. Venkataraman, No.13 Pillaiyar Koil Street, Gayathri Flats, Khishna Nagar Pammal, Chennai.

Sd/-

CHANBEMO LOTHA

Chief Information Commissioner Dated Kohima, the 25th January, 2018

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- 1. The PPS to the Chief Information Commissioner, Nagaland Information Commission for kind information of the CIC.
- 2. The PA to the State Information Commissioner (K), Nagaland Information Commission for kind information of the SIC (K).
- 3. The PA to the State Information Commissioner (R), Nagaland Information Commission for kind information of the SIC (R).
- 4. The Director-cum-Registrar & First Appellate Authority, The Global Open University Nagaland, Sodzulhou Village, P.O ARTC, NH-39, Dimapur, Nagaland 797115.
- 5. The Assistant Administrative Officer & PIO, The Global Open University Nagaland, Sodzulhou Village, P.O – ARTC, NH-39, Dimapur, Nagaland – 797115, Mobile No. 9774418461.
- 6. Shri. R. Venkataraman, No.13 Pillaiyar Koil Street, Gayathri Flats, Khishna Nagar Pammal, Chennai-600075.
- 7. The Computer Programmer, Nagaland Information Commission for uploading on the website and Notice Board.
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