

NAGALAND INFORMATION COMMISSION  
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KOHIMA – 797001

No. NIC/Compln-12/2008

Dated Kohima, the 27<sup>th</sup> August , 2008

**Complainant** : **Shri Harikumar P,  
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Kasaragod, Kerala  
Bharathiya@Gmail.Com.**

**Respondent  
Public Authority** : **Global Open University, Wokha  
Nagaland, Office of the Registrar,  
Global Open University, Wokha,  
Nagaland.**

**Date of Hearing** - **2.4.2008**  
**Date of Decision and Order** - **27.8.2008**

Shri Harikumar P Kasaragod, Kerala had submitted a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act 2005 stating that the Global Open University, Wokha, Nagaland had not designated any APIO, PIO and Appellate Authority as required under Section 5 (1) and (2) of the RTI Act 2005. The Commission had taken up the complaint and conducted a hearing on 2.4.2008 in which the Registrar/Director of the University appeared as directed and made his statements and produced the relevant records.

Shri Harikumar had submitted an Appeal against the Global Open University for not adhering to the provisions of the RTI Act 2005. Since he had not earlier submitted any RTI application under the Act, the submission has been treated as complaint under Section 18 of the Act. He had Complained that the Global Open University, Wokha inspite of being a Public Authority had not

1. Published statutory Handbook as required under Section 4 and 5 of the RTI Act, 2005.
2. Not appointed SPIO, SAPIOs and AAs as required under Section 5 of the RTI Act 2005.

Shri Imo Ao, Director/Registrar of Global Open University, Wokha stated that they (GOU) are a Public Authority as envisaged in the Act. On the Commission inspecting the records and documents relating to implementation of the RTI Act 2005 in the Global Open University, he produced a copy of the Minutes of Meeting of the Governing Council of Global Open University, Nagaland held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2007 at Kohima wherein vide para (G) they had designated Mr. Imotemsu Director of TGOU as PIO and Dr. K.C. Murry, OSD and Ms. Katia Kayina Mao, Counellor,of TGOU as APIOs. However he could not produce any document or notification designating the above persons as PIO and APIO as decided in

their meeting of 3.12.2007. Hence the designation of PIOs and APIOs had not been notified nor publicized. He also stated that they had not brought out the RTI disclosures as required under Section 4 (1)(b) of the Act. The Commission therefore directed the Registrar/Director of the Global Open University to notify and publicise the designation of PIO and APIO and to bring out the RTI Disclosure, as required under Sections 4 and 5 of the Act. They have not confirmed implementation of the same to the Commission.

The Director/Registrar of TGOU is directed to report implementation of Section 5, RTI Act 2005, designation of PIO, APIO and AA and Notification and publicizing, within a period of 10 working days from the date of issue of this order.

Pronounced in open proceedings today 27.8.2008

Copies be given to the parties.

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Chief information Commissioner,  
Nagaland

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State Information Commissioner,  
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