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Dr Mouri Ghosh Name of the Appellant: 1] Prantik, Pearabagan Road (behind Complete Postal Address: 2] co-operative godown), Chinsurah, Hooghly - 712103, West Bengal [Address proof - self attested bank pass book - ANNEXURE P18] 9674339431 (a) Contact No. 3] mouri.ghosh@gmail.com (b) Email Id: Letter dated 17/06/22 and (a) Date of filing of application for 4] delivered on 20/06/22 [Speed information under RTI Act Post] (a self attested copy of the RTI **ANNEXURE P9** Application should be attached) Y (Yes) (b) Whether application fee paid (i) If yes, mode of payment Indian Postal Order (IPO) No. 04F 967951 ANNEXURE P9 Not Applicable (ii) If no, self attested photocopy of relevant certificate issued by the competent authority should be attached Registrar and SPIO Name of State Public Information Officer/ 5] State Assistant Public Information Officer University of Kalyani Kalyani, Nadia - 741235 to whom the application was made and address West Bengal Responded by: Dr Indrani Karar Deputy Registrar and SPIO (a) Whether RTI petition is transferred to N (No) another SPIO u/s 6 (3) of RTI Act, 2005

(b) If yes, name and address of such authority

Not Applicable

6] Gist of the information sought for:

On 27/01/20, as per UGC Regulations 2018, appellant lodged a complaint to Vice Chancellor (VC), University of Kalyani alleging that the DSc thesis of her erstwhile research guide Prof Goutam Paul, which was accepted by the University of Kalyani in 2015, was substantially plagiarized from her own prior PhD thesis which was previously approved by the same University in 2014. No communication was made by the University ever since despite repeated written requests.

Information sought in RTI Application dated 17/06/22 is as follows

- 1. The present status of my complaint and how far any progress had been made into the inquiry.
- (a) The subsequent procedural steps to be taken by the University based on my complaint and (b) rules and regulations of the University, if any, concerning complaints of plagiarism, so that I can myself prepare and comply likewise.
- The date on which the aforementioned Professor Dr Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, has been awarded DSc by the University based on his impugned thesis.
- 4. Whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and (b) the date of submission and/or upload of the same.

7] Have you received any response/information: Y (Yes)

If so, attach a self attested copy of the same:

Denial of Information on pretext of Section 11 third party information, through two letters received from Dr Indrani Karar, Deputy Registrar and SPIO responding jointly to both the RTI Application (dated 17/06/22) and the First Appeal (dated 25/08/22), on behalf of 1st Appellate Authority:

- (i) No. 48/KU/RTI/22/S 263, dated 05/09/22 and 06/09/22 [ANNEXURE P11] and
- (ii) No. 48(i)/KU/RTI/22/S 298, dated 14/09/22 [ANNEXURE P13]
- 8] Date of filing of 1st Appeal:

(a self attested copy of 1st Appeal long with proof of submission of the same should be attached)

Letter dated 25/08/22 and delivered on 31/08/22 [Speed Post] [ANNEXURE P10]

9] Authority to whom the first appeal was made with address:

Vice Chancellor and First Appellate Authority (RTI)

University of Kalyani, Kalyani, Nadia - 741235, West Bengal

10] Decision of the 1st Appellate Authority, if any, including number and date of order:

(A self attested photocopy of the order of the $1^{\rm st}$ appellate authority should be attached)

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First Appellate Authority did not reply directly.

11] Grounds for 2nd Appeal and relief sought(specify):

FACTS OF THE APPEAL

- 1. That the appellant, Dr Mouri Ghosh is a Teaching Faculty at West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata and is the unmarried daughter of Dr Dharani Kanta Ghosh and Dr Tripti Das, residing at Prantik, Pearabagan Road (behind cooperative godown), Chinsurah, Hooghly 712103, West Bengal.
- 2. That the appellant is an ex- PhD research scholar of University of Kalyani (henceforth University) with Registration No. Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013 dated April 01, 2013 in the Department of Physiology. Her Research-Guide was Prof Goutam Paul. [ANNEXURE P14]
- 3. That the appellant had successfully submitted her PhD thesis at the University on 21/06/13 [ANNEXURE P15] and along with fulfillment of other requirements, she was awarded a PhD degree by the University dated 10/02/14 [ANNEXURE P16].
- 4. That the appellant's thesis/ dissertation title was:

"Effect of Inorganic Arsenic Compounds on the Activity of Intestinal Smooth Muscles in Mammals: A Molecular Physiological Study".

5. That subsequently in 2015, the same Dr Goutam Paul, who happened to be the appellant's PhD research guide submitted a similar DSc thesis to the same University titled:

"Understanding of Efferent Neurocrine Mechanisms in Inorganic Arsenicals Induced Intrinsic Regulation of Activity of Visceral Smooth Muscle in Albino Rat: A Molecular Neurotoxicological Study", for which the University awarded him a DSc degree.

6. That it was crystal clear that Prof Goutam Paul's subsequent DSc thesis was based on the same subject matter as the appellant's previous PhD thesis and that Prof Goutam Paul had only changed some terms of his thesis title to make it seem different.

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- 7. That the appellant was provided with an un-signed and un-marked copy of Prof Goutam Paul's DSc thesis in pdf form though a CD by the University with accompanying letter dated 24/10/19 [ANNEXURE P3] in response to appellant's previous RTI Applications (dated 03/08/19) [ANNEXURE P1] and First Appeal (dated 18/09/19) [ANNEXURE P2].
- 8. That on comparison of the appellant's previous PhD thesis and Prof. Goutam Paul's subsequent DSc thesis, side by side, it was quite clear that almost the whole of Prof Goutam Paul's DSc thesis was substantially plagiarized from the appellant's previous PhD thesis on the following major grounds:
- i. Both the research works were on the <u>effects of</u> "Inorganic Arsenic Compounds"/ "inorganic arsenicals".
- ii. Both the research works were on the <u>effects on</u> "Activity of Intestinal Smooth Muscles"/ "activity of visceral smooth muscle" the 'viscera' studied in both research work being 'intestines'.
- iii. Both the research works were <u>done</u> in the same 'mammal' species the 'albino rat'.
- iv. Both the research works were done by <u>primarily studying</u> the "efferent neurocrine mechanisms" of intestines and had similar conclusions.
- 9. That aggrieved at Dr Goutam Paul having copied her PhD research/ thesis by the fraudulent means of plagiarism, the appellant lodged a complaint of plagiarism with the VC, Kalyani University against Prof. Goutam Paul detailing prima facie evidence of his plagiarism through:
- i. an email dated 23/08/19 [ANNEXURE P4] and subsequently
- ii. a letter dated 27/01/20 [ANNEXURE P5] (with a copy to The Chairman, University Grants Commission, New Delhi, i.e. UGC) based on University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in

Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018, henceforth UGC Plagiarism Regulations, 2018.

- 10. That the same Prof Goutam Paul subsequently got promoted to Pro-VC of the University.
- 11. That the University was supposed to come to a decision on the appellant's complaint alleging plagiarism within 90 days of receipt of the same as per Regulations 10 and 11 of the aforementioned UGC Plagiarism Regulations, 2018
- 12. That during the subsequent months and years the appellant sought update and related information on her plagiarism complaint through:
- i. Email to VC, University of Kalyani dated 17/08/20 [ANNEXURE P6],
- ii. RTI Application to SPIO, University of Kalyani dated 13/11/20 and delivered on 23/11/20 [ANNEXURE P7] and
- iii. First Appeal (RTI) to VC, University of Kalyani dated 08/01/21 and delivered on 13/01/21 [ANNEXURE P8]

all of which remain not answered till today.

- 13. That on lifting of major COVID-19 restrictions by the State Government, the appellant filed a similar RTI Application to SPIO, University of Kalyani, dated 17/06/22 and delivered on 20/06/22 [ANNEXURE P9] seeking an update and related information on her plagiarism complaint.
- 14. That the information sought by the appellant/ RTI Applicant vide letter dated 17/06/22 was as follows:
 - 1. The present status of my complaint and how far any progress had been made into the inquiry.
 - 2. (a) The subsequent procedural steps to be taken by the University based on my complaint and (b) rules and regulations of the University, if any, concerning complaints of plagiarism, so that I can myself prepare and comply likewise.

- 3. The date on which the aforementioned Professor Dr Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, has been awarded DSc by the University based on his impugned thesis.
- 4. Whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and (b) the date of submission and/or upload of the same.
- 15. That being denied any response, the appellant preferred a First Appeal to the VC and Appellate Authority (RTI), University of Kalyani by letter dated 25/08/22 and delivered on 31/08/22 [ANNEXURE P10].
- 16. That by the letter No. 48/KU/RTI/22/S 263, bearing two dates 05/09/22 and 06/09/22, Dr Indrani Karar, Deputy Registrar and SPIO of the University, referred to both the RTI application (dated 17/06/22) and the First Appeal (dated 25/08/22), and requested the appellant to be patient as "the process is running to collect the information" [ANNEXURE P11].
- 17. That the appellant, received information published on two daily Bengali news publications viz. Dainik Statesman (e-paper dated dated 15th September 2022) and Bartaman Patrika (web edition dated 16th September 2022) that a similar situation arose when a Dean of the same University who has recently been found guilty of plagiarism, was recalcitrantly shielded by the University by refusing to reveal information sought through RTI applications.
- 18. That apprehensive of a similar cover-up and of a "conspiracy of silence" amongst higher echelons in academics in the University, the appellant preferred a reminder to the VC to provide her with the sought information within schedule and also apprising the VC of her misgivings through letter dated 19/09/22 [ANNEXURE P12].
- 19. That on the same date 19/09/22 the appellant received the impugned letter No. 48(i)/KU/RTI/22/S 298 dated 14/09/22 [ANNEXURE P13] from Dr Indrani Karar, Deputy Registrar and SPIO, Kalyani University in response to both the RTI application and the First Appeal stating that:

".... since it is a third party case, as per Section 11 of R.T.I., Act, 2005, we seek the consent from the third party, but the third party informed the undersigned not to disclose the information to other."

- 20. That the impugned letter dated 14/09/22 amounts to denial of information by the SPIO as well as by the First Appellate Authority (RTI) of University of Kalyani.
- 21. That the appellant contends that denial of the aforementioned specific information by the SPIO and the First Appellate Authority (RTI) of the University is in violation of provisions of the RTI Act 2005, in letter and spirit; and that the excuse of third party information posed by the SPIO is ill conceived and borne out of malafide intentions and that the information sought does not fall under the restraints of Section 11 of RTI Act and that the SPIO is bound by the aforementioned UGC Plagiarism Regulations, 2018 to disclose the sought information.
- 22. That the appellant prefers this appeal on the basis of public interest of transparency and academic integrity before the Hon'ble Commission to kindly order the SPIO, University of Kalyani for disclosure of the information sought under the RTI Application dated 17/06/22 and to kindly order for compensatory and punitive measures as provided in the RTI Act 2005 as redressal against such unreasonable, deliberate and malafide refusal by the said SPIO to provide justly sought information on the following Grounds amongst others:

GROUNDS

- A. Because as per Sections 10 and 11 of the UGC Plagiarism regulations, 2018 the University was supposed to come to a decision on the petitioner's plagiarism complaint within 90 days of receipt of her complaint dated 27/01/20, and yet the University has not shown an iota of action in this matter.
- B. Because the 1st information sought by the appellant i.e. "The present status of my complaint and how far any progress had been made into the inquiry." can in no manner whatsoever be a third party information because the plagiarism complaint was lodged by none other than the appellant herself and she has a

- right to be informed about the status and stage of inquiry into her own complaint and as a public authority the SPIO of the University is duty bound to disclose such information.
- C. Because failure to do so would defeat the very purpose of the RTI Act to ensure accountability and transparency and to combat arbitrariness in actions and conduct of public authorities like the University.
- D. Because the 2nd information sought by the appellant i.e. "(a) The subsequent procedural steps to be taken by the University based on my complaint and (b) rules and regulations of the University, if any, concerning complaints of plagiarism, so that I can myself prepare and comply likewise.", can in no manner whatsoever be denied by the University, not even under the pretext of third party information, because the University is bound by statute to provide and publish such information.
- E. Because the sub-Regulation 6 (e) of University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 prescribing on "Curbing Plagiarism" imposes the duty on the University to disclose such procedures, rules and regulations on plagiarism complaints, the said sub-Regulation being reproduced hereinbelow for ready reference:

"HEI shall develop a policy on plagiarism and get it approved by its relevant statutory bodies/authorities. The approved policy shall be placed on the homepage of the HEI website."

F. Because the University of Kalyani is such a HEI which is bound to disclose such information sought by the appellant/ RTI Applicant as defined in Regulation 2(h) of the aforesaid UGC Plagiarism Regulations, 2018 which is reproduced hereinbelow for ready reference"

""Higher Educational Institution (HEI)" means a university recognized under section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956 or an institution

- G. Because the 3rd information sought by the appellant i.e. "The date on which the aforementioned Professor Dr Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, has been awarded DSc by the University based on his impugned thesis.", can in no manner whatsoever be denied by the University, not even under the pretext of third party information, because the University is bound by statute to provide and publish such information.
- H. Because the 4th information sought by the appellant i.e. "Whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and (b) the date of submission and/or upload of the same., can in no manner whatsoever be denied by the University, not even under the pretext of third party information, because the University is bound by statute to provide and publish such information.
- I. Because the '3rd' and '4th' sets of information sought as reproduced in above paragraphs numbered G and H have been posed by the appellant to ascertain whether the University had complied with the duties imposed on the University by the aforementioned Regulation 6 on "Curbing Plagiarism" as per UGC Plagiarism Regulations, 2018.
- J. Because sub-Regulation 6 (g) of aforementioned UGC Plagiarism Regulations,2018 mandates the University to do as follows:

HEI shall submit to INFLIBNET soft copies of all Masters, Research program's dissertations and thesis within a month after the award of degrees for hosting in the digital repository under the "Shodh Ganga e-repository".

K. Because protecting third party information was not the real motive of the SPIO in denial of information about date of award of DSc thesis to Prof Goutam Paul and about date of upload of his impugned thesis in Shodh Ganga e-repository.

L. Because the ulterior motive of the SPIO in refusing to disclose those dates was to conceal the very likely fact that the University has violated the mandatory provisions by failing to upload the impugned DSc thesis to Shodh Ganga erepository even after seven (7) years from awarding the DSc degree to Prof Goutam Paul.

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- M. Because disclosure of 3rd and 4th sought information would reveal lack of transparency in research activities of the University and its blatant violation of mandatory UGC Plagiarism Regulations, 2018 that was aimed to 'curbing plagiarism'.
- N. Because the pdf file provided to the appellant by the University contains an unsigned and un-marked copy of Prof Goutam Paul's impugned DSc thesis and hence the date of award of the DSc degree is vital to inquire into possible liabilities of the author/ researcher (Prof Goutam Paul) as well as the awarding authority (the University) vis-a-vis date of award of previous PhD thesis of the appellant from the same University from which the impugned DSc thesis was plagiarized by Prof Goutam Paul.
- O. Because information sought by the appellant can in no manner whatsoever fall under the ambit of third party information under Section 11 of the RTI Act as evident in the preceding paragraphs.
- P. Because even if for argument's sake it is assumed that third party information is involved, Section 11 of RTI Act does not does not empower the SPIO/ First Appellate Authority to rubber stamp every refusal of a third party against disclosure of information.
- Q. Because the provisio in Section 11 of RTI Act 2005 ensures that public interest in disclosure over-rides protection to third party information which is reproduced hereinbelow for ready reference:

"Provided that except in the case of trade or commercial secrets protected by law, disclosure may be allowed if the public interest in

disclosure outweighs in importance any possible harm or injury to the interests of such third party."

- R. Because information sought by the appellant is in public interest of academic integrity and curbing plagiarism which is supported by the fact that the UGC had to devise and implement such regulations like UGC Plagiarism Regulations, 2018, which mandates disclosure and publication of such information by the University.
- S. Because such public interest served by disclosure of information sought by the appellant far outweighs so-called/ assumed third party interests (if any) which further proves non-application of mind of the SPIO in denying justifiable information to the appellant.
- T. Because in addition, none of the four sets of information sought for by the appellant in her RTI Application dated 17/06/22, fall under the ambit of Section 8 (1) (j) of RTI Act, 2005 covering

"personal information the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest, or which would cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual".

And hence even any possible defence of the Section 8 RTI Act (to third party information) does not apply to this case in any manner whatsoever.

U. Because the inherent public interest in those information sought by the appellant is aimed at promotion of transparency, academic integrity and curbing plagiarism in academic research, as envisioned in the said Section 8 (1) (j) of RTI Act and thus the sought information falls under the condition where:

"the larger public interest justifies the disclosure of such information"

V. Because the antecedents of the University have exposed that it had previously thwarted any transparency in inquiry to previous plagiarism allegations as has been reported by two renowned Bengali news media (Dainik Statesman e-paper Q

- dated 15/09/22 and Bartaman Patrika web page English version by Google translate dated 16/09/22) [ANNEXURE P12].
- W. Because as reported in the two news publications, this University had in past occasions repeatedly refused to provide information sought by RTI Applications about plagiarism complaint against one Prof Debaprasad Sikdar, a Dean of this same University, who has recently found to be guilty of plagiarism; and such incidents are testament to nefarious intentions and despicable malpractices of academics and administrators of this University to protect fraudulent activities like plagiarism at its highest academic levels.
- X. Because by denial of said information to the appellant and even refusal to inform her about the status of her own complaint, the University have directly sent her the message that they were dismissive of her complaint *ab initio* and protecting their erstwhile Pro-VC Prof Goutam Paul was a foregone conclusion.
- Y. Because the University had thus endorsed the theft and misappropriation of the appellant's intellectual work in her thesis and unfairly endowed the fruits of the appellant's labour to an undeserving person who stole her ideas and her work.
- Z. Because such dismissive action has caused untold harm to the mental health of the appellant and resulted in extreme mental distress, agony and angst in the face of patent injustice and callousness of the University in refusing to recognizing her untiring skill, effort and judgment in performing her exclusive and original PhD research by endowing a higher DSc degree to another person based on intellectual property and ideas stolen and misappropriated from her.
- AA. Because it is thus patently evident that as Dr Indrani Karar, Deputy Registrar and SPIO of the University has denied disclosure of information without any reasonable cause, has done so with malafide intention to conceal violation of UGC Plagiarism Regulations, 2018 by the University and given misleading information about restraints posed by third party; so the University and the SPIO are thus liable to pecuniary penalties of Rupee 250 per day until information is

received (under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act) and the SPIO is liable to be recommended for disciplinary action (under Section 20 (2) of the RTI Act).

PRAYER

Hence the appellant humbly prays that the Hon'ble Commission kindly pass necessary order(s) to:

- 1) Direct the SPIO, University of Kalyani to provide information sought by the appellant vide her RTI application dated 17/06/22, under S. 19(8)(a) of RTI Act, 2005
- 2) Grant compensation of Rupees Two Lakhs (Rupees 2,00, 000) as damages payable by the University to the appellant to compensate for mental distress, agony and angst suffered by her, resulting from dismissive attitude of the SPIO through denial of information, under S. 19(8)(b) of RTI Act, 2005
- 3) Ensure imposition of penalties of Rupees 250 per day on the University and until said information is provided to the appellant under S. 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005
- 4) Recommend disciplinary action as per service rules against Dr Indrani Karar, SPIO and Deputy Registrar, University of Kalyani under S. 20(2) of RTI Act, 2005

And/ or pass any other Order(s) as your Honour may deem fit

And for this your appellant as in duty bound shall ever pray.

Mouri lyhtsh 21.10.22

VERIFICATION

I, Dr Mouri Ghosh, daughter of Dr Dharani Kanta Ghosh and Dr Tripti Das, marital status unmarried, aged about 41 years, by faith Hindu, by occupation Teaching Faculty at West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, Kolkata, residing at Prantik, Pearabagan Road (behind co-operative godown), Chinsurah, Hooghly -712103, West Bengal, being an Indian Citizen, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as follows:-

- 1. That I am the RTI Applicant/Appellant of this Second Appeal before the Hon'ble West Bengal Information Commission, and am well conversant with the facts and circumstances of the above referred case..
- 2. That the statements made herein are true to my knowledge based on records and the rest are my submissions to the Hon'ble West Bengal Information Commission.

Mouri lyhosh 21.10.22 DEPONENT

Τo

The Registrar & SPIO University of Kalyani Kalyani, Nadia, West Bengal-741235, India.

> Sub: Application seeking copy of entire thesis of Dr Prof Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, submitted at University of Kalyani for award of D.Sc., under RTI Act 2005.

Sir,

I am an ex- Ph.D student/ research scholar of the Department of Physiology of this University. I was awarded PhD from this University on 10.02.2014, and my PhD thesis titled "Effect of Inorganic Arsenic Compounds on the Activity of Intestinal Smooth Muscles in Mammals: A Molecular Physiological Study" was submitted to the University of Kalyani, on 21.06.2013.

It has come to my notice that another subsequent thesis based on the same or similar research/ subject matter, titled "Understanding of efferent neurocrine mechanisms in inorganic arsenicals induced intrinsic regulation of the activity of visceral smooth muscle in albino rat: a molecular neurotoxicological study" had been submitted by Dr (Prof) Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, University of Kalyani and had been accepted for a successful award of D.Sc. by the University of Kalyani.

Hence, please provide me with a true copy of the aforementioned thesis in entirety, as submitted by Dr Prof Goutam Paul within the stipulated period of 30 days from receipt of this application, as per R.T.I. Act 2005.

I declare that I am a citizen of India and I will duly pay costs for reprography or e-document.

Many Thanks

Sincerely

Mouri lyhogh 03.08.2019

M.Sc. (Biophysics & Molecular biology) & Adv. Diploma in Bioinformatics (University of Calcutta),

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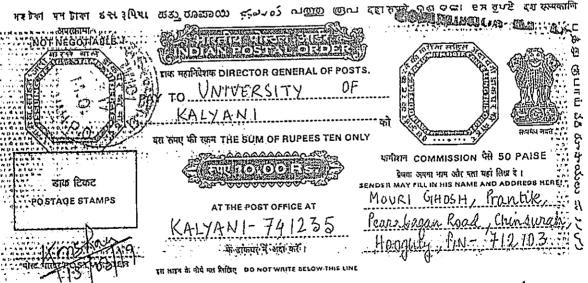
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e-mail: mouri.ghosh@email.com, phone: 8902226324

Enclosed: IPO of Rs. 10.00 (number 03F 206998... payable to University of Kalyani at Kalyani-741235)

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University of Kalyani

Kalyani, Nadia, West Bengal-741235, India.

Sub: First Appeal on non-delivery of information beyond more than the stipulated time of 30 days, under Section 19 RTI Act, 2005

Ref: RTI Application dated 03.08.19 before the Registrar and SPIO, University of Kalyani, seeking a copy of the entire thesis of Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, submitted at University of Kalyani for award of D.Sc., as applied under RTI Act 2005.

Sir,

I had made a RTI Application (copy enclosed herewith) on 03.08.19, seeking a copy of the entire thesis titled "Understanding of efferent neurocrine mechanisms in inorganic arsenicals induced intrinsic regulation of the activity of visceral smooth muscle in albino rat: a molecular neurotoxicological study" that had been submitted by Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, University of Kalyani and which had been accepted for a successful award of D.Sc. by the University of Kalyani.

I had also mentioned that <u>prior to the submission of this thesis by Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul, I had already submitted my thesis</u> titled "Effect of Inorganic Arsenic Compounds on the Activity of Intestinal Smooth Muscles in Mammals: A Molecular Physiological Study" to the University of Kalyani, on 21.06.2013, for which I had been already awarded PhD from this University on 10.02.2014. None other than Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul was my research guide.

Regarding the noticeable <u>similarity of the research subject matter between my thesis and the subsequent thesis submitted by Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul, I had sought a copy of Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul's thesis in its entirety and duly submitted the necessary fees of Rs. 10/ by IPO (copy enclosed) as well.</u>

However even after the stipulated 30 days for reply had surpassed, I have not received any response. Notably the said RTI Application had been delivered to University of Kalyani on 06.08.19 (copy of tracking details enclosed).

Hence this is my First Appeal as per provisions of RTI Act, 2005 requesting you to provide me a copy of the said thesis of Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul within the stipulated time. Please denote the Official Details and Address of the Second Appellate Authority (RTI) in your reply.

Many thanks

Yours sincerely

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Dr Mouri Ghosh

Address for correspondence: Prantik, Pearabagan Road, (Behind Co-operativ PIN 712103, West Bengal, India.

e-mail: mouri.ghosh@gmail.com, phone: 8902226324

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To Dr. Mouri Ghosh Prantik, Pearabagan Road (Behind Co-Operative Godown) Chinsurah, Hooghly, PIN-712103.

Sub: Information under R.T.I. Act, 2005
Ref. Your letters dated 03.08.2019 & 18.09.2019

Madam,

This is to inform you that the information and documents in Compact Disc containing the D.Sc. thesis of Prof. (Dr.) Gautam Paul of Department of Physiology, University of Kalyani, as sought for in your above referred letters, is annexed herewith.

Please acknowledge the receipt of the same.

Thanking you,

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Similarity of thesis of Dr Mouri Ghosh and Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul

2 messages

Mouri Ghosh <mouri.ghosh@gmail.com> To: vcklyuniv@gmail.com

Fri, Aug 23, 2019 at 11:28 AM

To The Vice Chancellor Kalvani University KALYANI

Respected Sir,

I had submitted my thesis on 21.06.2013 to Kalyani University for which I was awarded a PhD degree on 2014. Subsequently, my erstwhile thesis guide, Prof (Dr) Goutam Paul of Deptt of Physiology, Kalyani University had submitted a thesis on same/ similar subject matter to the same university for which he had been awarded a DSc degree.

The attached documents which details my RTI application already submitted to the Registrar & SPIO, Kalyani University to procure a copy of Dr Goutam Paul's said DSc thesis, is self explanatory.

This is my fervent request to kindly take necessary steps in this matter on grounds of transparency and plagiarism check in the spirit of UGC regulations.

Many thanks Yours sincerely

Mouri Ghosh

Ph.D., PG Diploma (Intellectual Property Rights Law) LLB, Advanced Diploma (Bioinformatics) M.Sc. (Biophysics & Molecular Biology)

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The Vice Chancellor
Kalyani University
Kalyani, Nadia, PIN - 741235
West Bengal, India

Sub: Application for inquiry into allegations of plagiarism on part of Prof. Dr Gautam Paul in his DSc thesis plagiarised from my earlier PhD thesis, as per UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018

Ref: My email to your office dated Aug 23, 2019

Sir,

- I am an ex- research scholar (University of Kalyani Registration No. Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013, dated April 01, 2013) who had been registered in this University at Department of Physiology. My research guide was Prof. Dr Gautam Paul.
- I had successfully submitted my thesis at the University of Kalyani on 21/06/2013 along with fulfilling other requirements for being awarded a PhD degree in 10/02/2014.
- 3. My thesis/ dissertation title was: "Effect of Inorganic Arsenic Compounds on the Activity of Intestinal Smooth Muscles in Mammals: A Molecular Physiological Study"
- 4. Subsequently, in 2015, the same Dr Gautam Paul, my erstwhile research guide had submitted a thesis to the same University of Kalyani titled:

"Understanding of Efferent Neurocrine Mechanisms in Inorganic Arsenicals Induced Intrinsic Regulation of the Activity of Visceral Smooth Muscle in Albino Rat: A Molecular Neurotoxicological Study" for which he was awarded a DSc.

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- Needless to say, his thesis is based on the same subject matter as my previously submitted thesis. He had only changed some terms of the thesis title to make it look different.
- 6. Being suspicious I had applied for a copy of his thesis as per RTI ACT, 2005 [first on 03/08/19 (to the Registrar & SPIO) and again on 18/09/19 to the Appellate authority], and subsequent to my First Appeal to your office I received a CD containing the impugned thesis of Dr Gautam Paul from University of Kalyani, with accompanying letter dated 24/10/19.
- 7. Based on comparison of my earlier PhD thesis and Dr Gautam Paul's subsequent DSc thesis it has become crystal clear, that almost the whole of Dr Gautam Paul's thesis is based on my earlier original work on the same subject indicating that he has falsely claimed that his thesis is an original work, and showing that he has plagiarised from my earlier submitted thesis.
- Even the title of Dr Gautam Paul's thesis betrays that he has copied from my earlier work done
 in the same laboratory of Department of Physiology at University of Kalyani.
 - a) My work is on "Inorganic Arsenic Compounds" which Dr Paul has substituted in his subsequent thesis as "inorganic arsenicals".
 - b) My work studies the effects on "Activity of Intestinal Smooth Muscles in Mammals" which Dr Gautam Paul has substituted in his subsequent thesis as "activity of visceral smooth muscle in albino rat".
 - c) In fact, perusal of Dr Gautam Paul's DSC thesis reveals that the viscera that Dr Gautam Paul has claimed to have worked on is 'intestine', just as I had done in my earlier research/ thesis and the "Mammal" that I had worked on my earlier research/ submitted thesis, was "albino rat".
 - d) My thesis was centred on "efferent neurocrine mechanisms" as mentioned in Dr Gautam Paul's subsequent thesis.
 - 9. It is evident Dr Gautam Paul had deliberately substituted terminologies even in the thesis title as well as in the body/ content of his thesis, a technique called synonymised plagiarism in an endeavour to avoid detection by software-based plagiarism detection tools.

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- 10. Surprisingly, many of my co-research scholars at that contemporary period when I conducted my research in the same topic in the same lab, has been acknowledged by Dr Gautam Paul, yet he has deliberately omitted to acknowledge my name in his aforementioned DSc thesis, which reinforces my claim of plagiarism by Dr Gautam Paul.
- 11. This is prima facie evidence of plagiarism by Dr Gautam Paul on my earlier research work and hence, pursuant to my earlier e-mail (copy enclosed), I request you to conduct an enquiry in this matter as per provisions of UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 in the letter and spirit of academic integrity and transparency, according to principles of natural justice.

Many thanks,

Yours sincerely,

Mouri Ghosh 27.01.2020

Dr Mouri Ghosh

University of Kalyani Registration No. - Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013, dated April 01, 2013

MSc, PhD, LLB

Advance Diploma (Bioinformatics)

Post Graduate Diploma (Intellectual Property Rights Law)

Encl: email dated 03/08/19

CC: The Chairman, University Grants Commission (UGC), Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi -110002.

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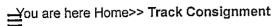
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Plagiarism complaint against Dr Prof Goutam Paul, Deptt of Physiology

1 message

Mouri Ghosh <mouri.ghosh@gmail.com>
To: vcklyuniv@gmail.com

Mon, Aug 17, 2020 at 8:41 PM

To The Vice-Chancellor University of Kalyani Kalyani, Nadia, West Bengal, PIN – 741235, India

Sub: Seeking information regarding my application for enquiry into plagiarism of my PhD thesis by Professor Goutam Paul

Ref: My letter of complaint to the Vice Chancellor, University of Kalyani, in the aforementioned matter dated 27/01/20

Respected Sir,

I am an ex- research scholar of Department of Physiology of this University. My registration number is - Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013, dated April 01, 2013). My research guide was Prof. Dr Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology.

I am compelled to write you this letter over email as the ongoing COVID-19 situation and related Government advisories that sequentially discouraged public commute unless in case of utmost emergency. Also, postal service has been erratic because of the same COVID-19.

I had lodged a complaint against Prof. Dr Goutam Paul as per UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 through my above referenced letter to you, dated 27/01/20. That letter has been delivered on 03/02/20 (according to Indiapost consignment tracker). However, I have not yet received any communications from the University since that time.

Hence, I request you to kindly inform me about:

- 1. the present status of my complaint and how far any progress has been made into the inquiry.
- 2. the sequential procedural steps to be taken based on my complaint or details of established rules of the University, if any, that is required to be taken into complaints of plagiarism, and the possible timeline of the same, so that I can myself prepare and comply likewise.

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- the date on which, my erstwhile guide, aforementioned Professor Dr
 Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, had been awarded DSc by the University.
 - 4. whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and date of submission and/ or upload of the same.

As my complaint also concerns an issue of public interest i.e. 'academic integrity' and 'prevention of plagiarism' I will be highly obliged if you provide me with the above sought information as soon as possible.

Many Thanks Yours Sincerely, Dr Mouri Ghosh

Address: Prantik, Pearabagan Road (behind co-operative godown),

Chinsurah, Hooghly, PIN – 712103 Email: mouri.ghosh@gmail.com

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Sub: Seeking information regarding my application for Inquiry into plagiarism of my PhD thesis by Professor Goutam Paul (Department Of Physiology), as per Right to Information Act, 2005 (as amended from time to time)

Ref:

1/ My letter of complaint to The VC, University of Kalyani, dated 27/01/20

2/ My email (yet to be replied) to the official email of The VC, University of Kalyani dated 17/08/20

Sir.

I am an ex- research scholar of Department of Physiology of this University. My registration number is - Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013, dated April 01, 2013). My research guide was Prof. Dr Goutam Paul.

I had lodged a complaint against my erstwhile thesis guide Dr Goutam Paul, as per UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 through my above referenced letter to the Respected Vice Chancellor, dated 27/01/20. That letter has been delivered on 03/02/20. However, I have not yet received any communications from the University. I had also emailed The VC on 17/08/20 seeking an update, but I have not yet received any response. Hence, I request you to provide me the following information about:

- 1. the present status of my complaint and how far any progress has been made into the inquiry.
- (a) the subsequent sequential procedural steps to be taken based on my complaint and (b) rules and regulations of the University, if any, concerning complaints of plagiarism, so that I can myself prepare and comply likewise.
- 3. the date on which aforementioned Professor Dr Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, had been awarded DSc by the University based on his impugned thesis.
- 4. (a) whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and (b) the date of submission and/or upload of the same.

I will be highly obliged if you provide me with the above sought information within the stipulated time of thirty days of receipt of this letter as per RTI Act, 2005.

Many Thanks

Yours Sincerely,

Howi Ghosh 13.11.2020

Dr Mouri Ghosh

Address: Prantik, Pearabagan Road (behind co-operative godown), Chinsurah, Hooghly -712103

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The Vice Chancellor and First Appellate Authority, RTI Act, 2005 University of Kalyani Kalyani, Nadia, 741235, West Bengal, India

Sub: First appeal, RTI Act 2005

Madam/Sir,

I had preferred RTI Application dt: 13/11/20 under Right to Information Act, 2005, before The SPIO & Registrar, University of Kalyani and requested the following information regarding my complaint dated 27/01/20 against Prof Dr Goutam Paul, Deptt. of Physiology under University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018:

- 1. The present status of my complaint and how far any progress has been made into the inquiry.
- 2. (a) the subsequent sequential procedural steps to be taken based on my complaint and (b) rules and regulations of the University, if any, concerning complaints of plagiarism, so that I can myself prepare and comply likewise.
- 3. The date on which the aforementioned Professor Dr Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, has been awarded DSc by the University based on his impugned thesis.
- 4. (a) whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and (b) the date of submission and/or upload of the same.

The said Application was received by the office of SPIO on 23/11/20 as per India Post tracker. As per section 7(1) of the RTI Act, the PIO is required to decide RTI application within 30 days from the date of its receipt. However, the PIO did not decide the application within the stipulated time.

[Copy of RTI Application and India Post tracker are attached as Annexures A and B to this appeal.]

Grounds of appeal

The total time available for PIO to supply information is 30 days in terms of section 7(1) read with section 7(3)(a) of the Act. However, the PIO neither communicated his decision on my RTI Application nor supplied information within stipulated time limit of 30 days. No response on the part of PIO is a deemed denial of information in terms of section 7(2) of RTI Act, 2005.

PIO failed to supply information within 30 days and hence the applicant is entitled to receive information free of charge in terms of section 7(6) of the Act.

Prayer

The present appeal be disposed off by this Hon'ble Appellate Authority, by providing the undersigned applicant the sought information, free of cost within 30 days of its receipt as provided under section 19(6) of the Act.

Many thanks

Yours sincerely,

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Dr Mouri Ghosh (Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013 dated April 1 2013)

Address: Prantik, Pearabagan Road (behind Co-operative ow Bengal, India

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University of Kalyani
Kalyani, Nadia, West Bengal, PIN – 74

Sub: Seeking information regarding my application for Inquiry into plagiarism of my PhD thesis by Professor Goutam Paul (Department Of Physiology), as per Right to Information Act, 2005 (as amended from time to time)

Ref:

1/ My letter of complaint to The VC, University of Kalyani, dated 27/01/20

2/ My email (yet to be replied) to the official email of The VC, University of Kalyani dated 17/08/20

Sir,

I am an ex- research scholar of Department of Physiology of this University. My registration number is - Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013, dated April 01, 2013). My research guide was Prof. Dr Goutam Paul.

I had lodged a complaint against my erstwhile thesis guide Dr Goutam Paul, as per UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations. 2018 through my above referenced letter to the Respected Vice Chancellor, dated 27/01/20. That letter has been delivered on 03/02/20. However, I have not yet received any communications from the University. I had also emailed The VC on 17/08/20 seeking an update, but I have not yet received any response. Hence, I request you to provide me the following information about:

- the present status of my complaint and how far any progress has been made into the inquiry.
- (a) the subsequent sequential procedural steps to be taken based on my complaint and (b)
 rules and regulations of the University, if any, concerning complaints of plagiarism, so that I
 can myself prepare and comply likewise.
- 3. the date on which aforementioned Professor Dr Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, had been awarded DSc by the University based on his Impugned thesis.
- 4. (a) whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and (b) the date of submission and/or upload of the same.

I will be highly obliged if you provide me with the above sought information within the stipulated time of thirty days of receipt of this letter as per RTI Act, 2005.

Many Thanks

Yours Sincerely.

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Dr Mouri Ghosh

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Sub: Seeking information regarding my complaint for inquiry into plagiarism of my PhD thesis by Professor Goutam Paul (Deptt. of Physiology) as per RTI Act, 2005 (as amended from time to time).

Ref: my letter of complaint to The VC, Kalyani University dated 27/01/2020

Sir,

I am an ex- research scholar of this University. I did my PhD from Department of Physiology under my then research guide Professor Goutam Paul. My registration number was Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013 dated April 1st 2013. Professor Goutam Paul subsequently was awarded a D.Sc. by this University based on his thesis which has been substantially plagiarised from my identical thesis that had been successfully accepted for my PhD previously.

I had complained to The Vice Chancellor, Kalyani University by a letter dated 27/01/2020 on grounds of plagiarism as per UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 and sought an inquiry into my complaint.

However, I have not yet received any communications in this matter from the University.

Hence I request you to furnish me the following information under RTI Act, 2005 about:

- 1. The present status of my complaint and how far any progress has been made into the inquiry.
- 2. (a) the subsequent sequential procedural steps to be taken by the University based on my complaint and (b) rules and regulations of the University, if any, concerning complaints of plagiarism, so that I can myself prepare and comply likewise.

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- 4. (a) whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and (b) the date of submission and/ or upload of the same.

I had previously sent an identical RTI request to your office dated 13/11/2020 without any response. Now that the Coronavirus restrictions to functioning of the University have been largely lifted by the Government, I will be expecting a response from you within the stipulated time of 30 days as per RTI Act 2005.

Many thanks

Yours sincerely

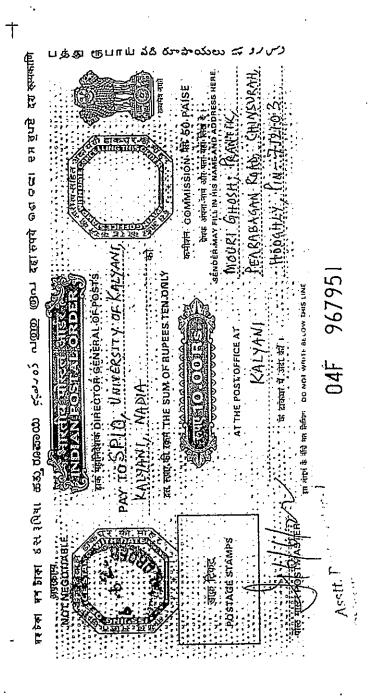
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Dr Mouri Ghosh

(Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013 dated April 1st 2013)

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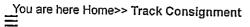
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The Hon ble Vice Chancellor and Appellate Authority (RTI Act) Kalyani University Kalyani, Nadia - 741 235

Sub: First Appeal under RTI Act against non-response to RTI application date 17/06/22 delivered on 20/06/22

Ref: My complaint dated: 27/01/2020; against Professor Dr. Goutam Paul alleging plagianism in his pose thesis copled from my previous PhD thesis completed successfully at kalyanituniversity based on University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Phevention of Plagrads ការាក្រីព្រឹក្រ Educational Institutions)-------Regulations, 2018

Dear Hon ble Vice Chancellon,

I had submitted a RTI application along with necessary IPO of Rs. 10 seeking information about:

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However I have not yet received any information even though the stipulated time of reply with me oldays of ineceipt of my RTL application is over.

Hence this first appeal, under Rill Act to your tookindly provide me with the information sought

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Dated: 05.09.2022

To Dr. Mouri Ghosh Prantik, Pearabagan Road, Chinsurah, Hooghiy, Pin: 712103

Sub: Information under R.T.I. Act, 2005.

Madam,

In response to your letters dated 17.06.2022 and 25.08.2022 regarding Information sought for under the Right to Information Act, 2005. Accordingly, the process is running to collect the information. So, kindly bear with us.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

Dy. Registrar

S.P.I.O., Kalyani University.

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To The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and First Appellate Authority (RTI Act) Kalyani University Kalyani, Nadia - 741 235

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Sub: Reminder for deadline information sought under RTI first appeal dated 25/08/22

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- My complaint dated 27/01/2020, against Professor Dr Goutam Paul alleging plagiarism in his DSc thesis copied from my previous PhD thesis completed successfully at Kalyani University based on University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018
- 2. Letter No. 48/KU/RTI/22/S 263 dated 05/09/22 from The Deputy Registrar, University of Kalyani

Dear Hon'ble Vice Chancellor,

I would like to thank you and the University for responding to my RTI Application dated 17/06/22 and my First Appeal to your office dated 25/08/22 and asking me to be patient as the "process is running to collect the information" vide the above referenced letter dated 05/09/22.

But recent revelations in reputed Bengali vernacular dailies Dainik Statesman (dated 15th September 2022) and Bartaman Patrika (dated 16th September 2022) highlight the fact that previously a complaint of plagiarism was lodged against Prof Debaprasad Sikdar (until very recently, a Dean) of this same University of Kalyani, regarding his PhD thesis submitted/conferred around 1995.

The newspaper reports further reveal that this University had created obstacles and deliberately delayed inquiry into that plagiarism complaint and had also dragged their feet in responding to related RTI applications. Noticeably the report further states that Prof Debaprasad Sikdar has been very recently found guilty of plagiarism and removed from his post. This amounts to a time span of more that 25 years that this University had kept validating his tainted thesis.

Insofar as my own plagiarism complaint against Prof Goutam Paul's DSc theses, I am totally in the dark as to what steps (if any) has been taken by this University save an except providing me with a CD containing an unsigned pdf copy of Prof Paul's DSc thesis in response to a previous RTI application in 2019.

Hence I have reasons to be apprehensive whether history is being repeated in this University with regard to my plagiarism complaint against Prof Goutam Paul (until

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recently Pro-VC), given this antecedent conspiracy of silence amongst academics in high places in this University.

Hence, this is a gentle reminder that my First Appeal has reached your office on 31st August 2022 (vide Indiapost tracking) and the deadline for providing the sought information is thirty days from receipt (which calculates to 30th September 2022), as per Section 19(6) of RTI Act, 2005 which is been reproduced hereinbelow for ready reference:

"An appeal under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) shall be disposed of within thirty days of the receipt of the appeal or within such extended period not exceeding a total of forty-five days from the date of filing thereof, as the case may be, for reasons to be recorded in writing."

So, as you can appreciate, in case this deadline is missed and since my complaint against plagiarism is pending for a long time, my hands would be forced to approach higher authorities for further redressal.

Many Thanks Yours sincerely

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Dr Mouri Ghosh

Kalyani University Registration Number: Ph.D/Re-Regn./Physio/MG/2013 dated 01/04/13

Address: Prantik, Pearabagan Road, Chinsurah, Hooghly, PIN - 712103

Mob: 9674339431, Email: mouri.ghosh@gmail.com

Enclosed:

- 1. Letter No. 48/KU/RTI/22/S 263 dated 05/09/22 from The Deputy Registrar, University of Kalyani (page 3)
- 2. Printout of report from Dainik Statesman e-paper dated 15/09/22
- 3. Printout of Google Translate English version of report from Bartaman Patrika dated 16/09/22 (page 5)

Copy to: The Chairman, University Grants Commission, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002.

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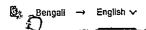
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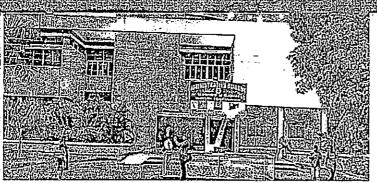
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Correspondent, Kalyani: Dean of the Faculty of Education, Kalyani University Prof. Debprasad Shikder is facing controversy for allegedly plagiarizing the research paper of a researcher in the Department of Education. Not even a little bit, the investigation revealed that Abhisandarbha or thesis paper has been completely copied. However, the complaint was raised long ago. The final report of the three-member inquiry committee accepted the allegations. Professor Shantinath Sarkar applied to the University authorities seeking information under the Right to Information Act. He also complained to the university authorities about this several times. An inquiry into the matter was conducted during Alokkumar Banerjees tenure as Vice-Chancellor. But the investigation report was suppressed for political reasons. At present, Devprasadbabu has been banned from coming to the Dean's office and has been asked to answer the matter. A report has also been sent to the Higher Education Department. According to the sources, disciplinary action may be taken against Professor Shikder as per rules and laws. In this regard, the director of public relations department of the university, Prof. Sujayakumar Mondal said, the matter was decided in the working committee meeting of the university. He is removed from Dean's path. Allegedly, Debprasad Shikder copied the entire PhD thesis of Professor Swadesranjan Samant. The matter was decided in the working committee meeting of the university. He is removed from Dean's path. Allegedly, Debprusad Shikder copied the entire PhD thesis of Professor Swadesranjan Samant. The matter was decided in the working committee meeting of the university. He is removed from Dean's path. Allegedly, Debprasud Shikder copied the entire PhD thesis of Professor Swadesranjan Samant. 3

Devprasad Babu received his PhD degree by submitting a thesis entitled 'A Comparative Study of Teaching Biology in Different Courses at the Higher Secondary Level in West Bengal. Swadesranjanbabu's research was titled, 'A Comparative Study of Teaching Physics in Different Courses at the Higher Secondary Levels in West Bengal. It was evaluated by the examiner in 1995. Complainant Professor Shantinath Sarkar said, I have been complaining for a long time. But the university administration has not taken any action so far.

I am happy with the current administration. Dibyendu Bhattacharya, another professor of the Department of Education, said that his thesis is completely bogus. Despite such complaints, when he was elected as the dean of the Faculty of Education in 2020, he resigned from various positions in the university, including the department head, in protest.

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Madam,

In continuation to our letter No. 48/KU/RTI/22/S-263, dated 05/06.09.2022, this is to inform you that since it is a 3rd party case, as per Section 11 of R.T.I. Act, 2005, we seek the consent from the third party, but the third party informed the undersigned not to disclose the information to other.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

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This is to certify that Ms. Mouri Ghosh is a bonaride research student of this University from Jan 2007 till date. She is doing her research work for Ph.D. degree in Physiology (Science) under my supervision. The title of her thesis is "Effect Of Inorganic Arsenic Compounds On The Activity Of Intestinal Smooth Muscle In Mammal: A Molecular Physiological Study".

She has completed her bench work and fulfilled all the objectives of her thesis successfully.

She is now writing her thesis for submission.

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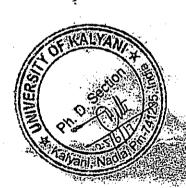
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Certified that Sm. Mouri Ghosh Research Scholar, Department of Physiology Faculty of Science University of Kalyani, West Bengal, submitted her Ph.D. thesis entitled SEFFECT OF INORGANIC ARSENIC COMPOUNDS ON THE ACTIVITY OF INTESTINAL SMOOTH MUSCLES IN MAMMALS: A MOLECULAR PHYSIOLOGICAL STUDY on 21 06 2013 for consideration by this University MMMWY



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Dear Scholar,

May I inform you that on the recommendation of the Board of Examiners on their the undernoted thesis submitted adjudication of Ph.D. Degree of this University and on the performance of your Ph.D. lecture, vide V.ord.74 (Adm.) (iii) you have been admitted to the aforesaid degree on 10.02.2014 in Physiology.

Your Degree will be conferred at the next Convocation of this University



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Yours sincerely,

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अधिसूचना

विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग (उच्चतर शिक्षा संस्थानों में अकादमिक सत्यिनष्ठा एवं साहित्यिक चोरी की रोकथाम को प्रोत्साहन) विनियम, 2018

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प्रस्तावना

जबिक, विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग (यूजीसी) अधिनियम, 1956 के अनुसार, उच्च शिक्षा के मानकों को समन्वित एवं सुनिश्चित करने के लिए आदेशाधीन है।

तथा जबिक, किसी छात्र या संकाय या शोधकर्ता या कर्मचारी द्वारा निष्णात तथा शोध स्तर पर डिग्री प्रदान करने हेतु आंशिक रूप से सम्पादित किया गया कार्य, जिसका अकादिमक एवं शोधकार्य का मूल्यांकन किया जा चुका हो, जो शोध—निबन्ध, शोध—प्रबन्ध, शोध पत्रों के प्रकाशन, पुस्तकों में अध्याय, सम्पूर्ण पुस्तकों के रूप में हो तथा कोई अन्य समरूप कार्य, जो अकादिमक, सत्यिनिष्ठा एवं मौलिकता के मूल तत्वों को दर्शाये तथा जिसका उच्चतर शिक्षा संस्थानों (HEIs) द्वारा अपनायी गई विभिन्न संबंधित प्रक्रियाओं में अवलोकन किया जाए।

अतः, वि. अ. आ. अधिनियम 1956 के अनुच्छेद 26 के उप अनुच्छेद (1) के खण्ड (एफ) एवं (जी) के साथ पठित अनुच्छेद 12 के खण्ड (जे) के द्वारा प्रदत्त अधिकारों का प्रयोग करते हुए, वि. अ. आ. ने एतद्द्वारा निम्नलिखित विनियम निर्मित किए हैं:—

1. संक्षिप्त शीर्षक, अनुप्रयोग तथा प्रारंम :

- (ए) इन नियमों को, विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग (उच्चतर शिक्षा संस्थानों में अकादिमक सत्यिनिष्ठा एवं साहित्यिक चोरी की रोकथाम को प्रोत्साहन) विनियम 2018 कहा जाएगा।
- (बी) ये विनियम, देश के सभी उच्चतर शिक्षा संस्थानों के छात्रों, संकायों, शोधकर्ताओं तथा कर्मचारियों पर लागू होंगे।
- (सी) ये विनियम, सरकारी राजपत्र में उनकी अधिसूचना की तारीख से प्रभावी होंगे!

नोट 2: उस स्थिति में दण्ड, जब साहित्यिक चोरी का लाम अथवा क्रेडिट पहले ही प्राप्त किया गया हो— यदि लाम अथवा क्रेडिट प्राप्त किए जाने, जैसा भी मामला हो, की तिथि के बाद साहित्यिक चोरी सिद्ध हो तो उसके द्वारा प्राप्त लाम अथवा क्रेडिट को आईएआईपी द्वारा संस्तुत अविध के लिए आस्थिगित रखा जाएगा तथा संस्थान के प्रमुख द्वारा अनुमोदित किया जाएगा।

नोट 3: उच्चतर शिक्षा संस्थान ऐसा तंत्र विकसित करेंगे ताकि यह सुनिश्चित किया जाए कि छात्र, संकाय, शोधकर्ता अथवा कर्मचारिवृंद द्वारा प्रकाशित किए गए प्रत्येक पत्र/शोध—प्रवंध (थीसीस) तथा शोध—निवंध (डिसरटेशन) को अग्रेषित/ प्रस्तुत किए जाने के समय साहित्यिक चोरी के लिए जांचा जाए।

नोट 4: यदि उच्चतर शिक्षा संस्थान के प्रधान के विरूद्ध साहित्यिक चोरी की कोई शिकायत हो तो, इन विनियमों के अनुरूप उच्चतर शिक्षा संस्थान के नियंत्रण अधिकारी द्वारा उपर्युक्त कार्रवाई की जाएगी।

नोट 5 : यदि संस्थागत स्तर पर विभागाध्यक्ष / प्राधिकारियों के विरूद्ध साहित्यिक चोरी की कोई शिकायत हो तो, इन विनियमों के अनुरूप आईएआईपी द्वारा उपयुक्त कार्रवाई की जाएगी जिसे सक्षम अधिकारी द्वारा अनुमोदित किया जाएगा।

नोट 6: यदि डीएआईपी अथवा आईएआईपी के किसी सदस्यगण के विरूद्ध साहित्यिक चोरी की कोई शिकायत हो तो, ऐसा सदस्य ऐसी बैठकों में भाग नहीं लेगा जहां उसके मामले के संबंध में चर्चा की जा रही हो/अथवा जांच की जा रही हो।

13. कठिनाइयों का निवारण

विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग, इन विनियमों के कार्यान्वयन के दौरान सामने आने वाली कितनाइयों को भारत सरकार / मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय के परामर्श से निवारण करने का अधिकार सुरक्षित रखता है।

प्रो. रजनीश जैन, सचिव

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UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION NOTIFICATION

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION (PROMOTION OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND PREVENTION OF PLAGIARISM IN HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS) REGULATIONS, 2018

New Delhi, the 23rd July, 2018

F. 1-18/2010(CPP-II).—

Preamble

Whereas, University Grants Commission (UGC), as per UGC Act, 1956, is mandated to coordinate and determine the standards of higher education;

And whereas, assessment of academic and research work done leading to the partial fulfillment for the award of degrees at Masters and Research level, by a student or a faculty or a researcher or a staff, in the form of thesis, dissertation and publication of research papers, chapters in books, full-fledged books and any other similar work, reflects the extent to which elements of academic integrity and originality are observed in various relevant processes adopted by Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs);

Therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (j) of Section 12 read with clauses (f) and (g) of subsection (1) of Section 26 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, the University Grants Commission hereby makes the following regulations:-

1. Short title, application and commencement -

- a. These regulations shall be called the University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018.
- They shall apply to the students, faculty, researchers and staff of all Higher Educational Institutions in the country.
- c. These regulations shall come into force from the date of their notification in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions -

In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires-

- "Academic Integrity" is the intellectual honesty in proposing, performing and reporting any activity, which leads to the creation of intellectual property;
- b. "Author" includes a student or a faculty or a researcher or staff of Higher Educational Institution (HEI) who claims to be the creator of the work under consideration;
- "Commission" means the University Grants Commission as defined in the University Grants Commission Act, 1956;
- d. "Common Knowledge" means a well known fact, quote, figure or information that is known to most of the people;
- e. "Degree" means any such degree specified by the University Grants Commission, by notification in the Official Gazette, under section 22 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956;
- f. "Departmental Academic Integrity Panel" shall mean the body constituted at the departmental level to investigate allegations of plagiarism;
- g. "Faculty" refers to a person who is teaching and/or guiding students enrolled in an HEI in any capacity whatsoever i.e. regular, ad-hoc, guest, temporary, visiting etc;
- h. "Higher Educational Institution (HEI)" means a university recognized under section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956 or an institution deemed to be university under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 or an affiliating college / institution or a constituent unit of a university;
- "Information" includes data, message, text, images, sound, voice, codes, computer programs, software and databases or microfilm or computer generated microfiche;
- j. "Institutional Academic Integrity Panel" shall mean the body constituted at Institutional level to consider recommendations of the departmental academic integrity panel and take appropriate decisions in respect of allegations of plagiarism and decide on penalties to be imposed. In exceptional cases, it shall investigate allegations of plagiarism at the institutional level;
- Wotification" means a notification published in the Official Gazette and the expression "notify" with its cognate meanings and grammatical variation shall be construed accordingly;
- 1. "Plagiarism" means the practice of taking someone else's work or idea and passing them as one's own.
- m. "Programme" means a programme of study leading to the award of a masters and research level degree;
- n. "Researcher" refers to a person conducting academic / scientific research in HEIs;
- o. "Script" includes research paper, thesis, dissertation, chapters in books, full-fledged books and any other similar work, submitted for assessment / opinion leading to the award of master and research level degrees or publication in print or electronic media by students or faculty or researcher or staff of an HEI; however, this shall exclude assignments / term papers / project reports / course work / essays and answer scripts etc.;
- p. "Source" means the published primary and secondary material from any source whatsoever and includes written information and opinions gained directly from other people, including eminent scholars, public figures and practitioners in any form whatsoever as also data and information in the electronic form be it audio, video, image or text; Information being given the same meaning as defined under Section 2 (1) (v) of the Information Technology Act, 2000 and reproduced here in Regulation 2 (1);
- q. "Staff" refers to all non-teaching staff working in HEIs in any capacity whatsoever i.e. regular, temporary, contractual, outsourced etc.;
- "Student" means a person duly admitted and pursuing a programme of study including a research programme in any mode of study (full time or part-time or distance mode);
- s. "University" means a university established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, a Provincial Act or a State Act, and includes an institution deemed to be university under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956;
- t. "Year" means the academic session in which a proven offence has been committed.

Words and expressions used and not defined in these regulations but defined in the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in UGC Act, 1956.

3. Objectives

- 3.1 To create awareness about responsible conduct of research, thesis, dissertation, promotion of academic integrity and prevention of misconduct including plagiarism in academic writing among student, faculty, researcher and staff.
- 3.2 To establish institutional mechanism through education and training to facilitate responsible conduct of research, thesis, dissertation, promotion of academic integrity and deterrence from plagiarism.
- 3.3. To develop systems to detect plagiarism and to set up mechanisms to prevent plagiarism and punish a student, faculty, researcher or staff of HEI committing the act of plagiarism.

4. Duties of HEI:

Every HEI should establish the mechanism as prescribed in these regulations, to enhance awareness about responsible conduct of research and academic activities, to promote academic integrity and to prevent plagiarism.

5. Awareness Programs and Trainings:

- (a) HEI shall instruct students, faculty, researcher and staff about proper attribution, seeking permission of the author wherever necessary, acknowledgement of source compatible with the needs and specificities of disciplines and in accordance with rules, international conventions and regulations governing the source.
- (b) HEI shall conduct sensitization seminars/ awareness programs every semester on responsible conduct of research, thesis, dissertation, promotion of academic integrity and ethics in education for students, faculty, researcher and staff.

(c) HEI shall:

- Include the cardinal principles of academic integrity in the curricula of Undergraduate (UG)/Postgraduate (PG)/Master's degree etc. as a compulsory course work/module.
- Include elements of responsible conduct of research and publication ethics as a compulsory course work/module for Masters and Research Scholars.
- iii. Include elements of responsible conduct of research and publication ethics in Orientation and Refresher Courses organized for faculty and staff members of the HEI.
- Train student, faculty, researcher and staff for using plagiarism detection tools and reference management tools.
- v. Establish facility equipped with modern technologies for detection of plagiarism.
- vi. Encourage student, faculty, researcher and staff to register on international researcher's Registry systems.

6. Curbing Plagiarism

- a) HEI shall declare and implement the technology based mechanism using appropriate software so as to ensure that documents such as thesis, dissertation, publications or any other such documents are free of plagiarism at the time of their submission.
- b) The mechanism as defined at (a) above shall be made accessible to all engaged in research work including student, faculty, researcher and staff etc.
- c) Every student submitting a thesis, dissertation, or any other such documents to the HEI shall submit an undertaking indicating that the document has been prepared by him or her and that the document is his/her original work and free of any plagiarism.
- d) The undertaking shall include the fact that the document has been duly checked through a Plagiarism detection tool approved by the HEI.
- HEI shall develop a policy on plagiarism and get it approved by its relevant statutory bodies/authorities. The
 approved policy shall be placed on the homepage of the HEI website.
- f) Each supervisor shall submit a certificate indicating that the work done by the researcher under him / her is plagiarism free.
- g) HEI shall submit to INFLIBNET soft copies of all Masters, Research program's dissertations and thesis within a month after the award of degrees for hosting in the digital repository under the "Shodh Ganga e-repository".
- h) HEI shall create Institutional Repository on institute website which shall include dissertation / thesis / paper / publication and other in-house publications.

7. Similarity checks for exclusion from Plagiarism

The similarity checks for plagiarism shall exclude the following:

- i. All quoted work reproduced with all necessary permission and/or attribution.
- ii. All references, bibliography, table of content, preface and acknowledgements.
- iii. All generic terms, laws, standard symbols and standards equations.

Note:

The research work carried out by the student, faculty, researcher and staff shall be based on original ideas, which shall include abstract, summary, hypothesis, observations, results, conclusions and recommendations only and shall not have any similarities. It shall exclude a common knowledge or coincidental terms, up to fourteen (14) consecutive words.

8. Levels of Plagiarism

Plagiarism would be quantified into following levels in ascending order of severity for the purpose of its definition:

- i. Level 0: Similarities upto 10% Minor similarities, no penalty
- ii. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 40%
- iii. Level 2: Similarities above 40% to 60%
- iv. Level 3: Similarities above 60%

9. Detection/Reporting/Handling of Plagiarism

If any member of the academic community suspects with appropriate proof that a case of plagiarism has happened in any document, he or she shall report it to the Departmental Academic Integrity Panel (DAIP). Upon receipt of such a complaint or allegation the DAIP shall investigate the matter and submit its recommendations to the Institutional Academic Integrity Panel (IAIP) of the HEI.

The authorities of HEI can also take *suomotu* notice of an act of plagiarism and initiate proceedings under these regulations. Similarly, proceedings can also be initiated by the HEI on the basis of findings of an examiner. All such cases will be investigated by the IAIP.

10. Departmental Academic Integrity Panel (DAIP)

- i. All Departments in HEI shall notify a DAIP whose composition shall be as given below:
 - a. Chairman Head of the Department
 - b. Member Senior academician from outside the department, to be nominated by the head of HEI.
 - Member A person well versed with anti plagiarism tools, to be nominated by the Head of the Department.

The tenure of the members in respect of points 'b' and 'c' shall be two years. The quorum for the meetings shall be 2 out of 3 members (including Chairman).

- ii. The DAIP shall follow the principles of natural justice while deciding about the allegation of plagiarism against the student, faculty, researcher and staff.
- iii. The DAIP shall have the power to assess the level of plagiarism and recommend penalty(ies) accordingly.
- iv. The DAIP after investigation shall submit its report with the recommendation on penalties to be imposed to the IAIP within a period of 45 days from the date of receipt of complaint / initiation of the proceedings.

11. Institutional Academic Integrity Panel (IAIP)

- i. HEI shall notify a IAIP whose composition shall be as given below:
 - a. Chairman Pro-VC/Dean/Senior Academician of the HEI.
 - b. Member Senior Academician other than Chairman, to be nominated by the Head of HEI.
 - c. Member One member nominated by the Head of HEI from outside the HEI
 - d. Member A person well versed with anti-plagiarism tools, to be nominated by the Head of the HEI.

The Chairman of DAIP and IAIP shall not be the same. The tenure of the Committee members including Chairman shall be three years. The quorum for the meetings shall be 3 out of 4 members (including Chairman).

- ii. The IAIP shall consider the recommendations of DAIP.
- iii. The IAIP shall also investigate cases of plagiarism as per the provisions mentioned in these regulations.

- iv. The IAIP shall follow the principles of natural justice while deciding about the allegation of plagiarism against the student, faculty, researcher and staff of HEI.
- The IAIP shall have the power to review the recommendations of DAIP including penalties with due justification.
- vi. The IAIP shall send the report after investigation and the recommendation on penalties to be imposed to the Head of the HEI within a period of 45 days from the date of receipt of recommendation of DAIP/ complaint / initiation of the proceedings.
- vii. The IAIP shall provide a copy of the report to the person(s) against whom inquiry report is submitted.

12. Penalties

Penalties in the cases of plagiarism shall be imposed on students pursuing studies at the level of Masters and Research programs and on researcher, faculty & staff of the HEI only after academic misconduct on the part of the individual has been established without doubt, when all avenues of appeal have been exhausted and individual in question has been provided enough opportunity to defend himself or herself in a fair or transparent manner.

12.1 Penalties in case of plagiarism in submission of thesis and dissertations

Institutional Academic Integrity Panel (IAIP) shall impose penalty considering the severity of the Plagiarism.

- i. Level 0: Similarities upto 10% Minor Similarities, no penalty.
- ii. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 40% Such student shall be asked to submit a revised script within a stipulated time period not exceeding 6 months.
- iii. Level 2: Similarities above 40% to 60% Such student shall be debarred from submitting a revised script for a period of one year.
- iv. Level 3: Similarities above 60% -Such student registration for that programme shall be cancelled.

Note 1: Penalty on repeated plagiarism- Such student shall be punished for the plagiarism of one level higher than the previous level committed by him/her. In case where plagiarism of highest level is committed then the punishment for the same shall be operative.

Note 2: Penalty in case where the degree/credit has already been obtained - If plagiarism is proved on a date later than the date of award of degree or credit as the case may be then his/her degree or credit shall be put in abeyance for a period recommended by the IAIP and approved by the Head of the Institution.

12.2 Penalties in case of plagiarism in academic and research publications

- I. Level 0: Similarities up to 10% Minor similarities, no penalty.
- II. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 40%
 - Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript.
- III. Level 2: Similarities above 40% to 60%
 - i) Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript.
 - Shall be denied a right to one annual increment.
 - Shall not be allowed to be a supervisor to any new Master's, M.Phil., Ph.D. Student/scholar for a period of two years.

IV. Level 3: Similarities above 60%

- i) Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript.
- Shall be denied a right to two successive annual increments.
- iii) Shall not be allowed to be a supervisor to any new Master's, M.Phil., Ph.D. Student/scholar for a period of three years.

Note 1: Penalty on repeated plagiarism - Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript and shall be punished for the plagiarism of one level higher than the lower level committed by him/her. In case where plagiarism of highest level is committed then the punishment for the same shall be operative. In case level 3 offence is repeated then the disciplinary action including suspension/termination as per service rules shall be taken by the HEI.

Note 2: Penalty in case where the benefit or credit has already been obtained - If plagiarism is proved on a date later than the date of benefit or credit obtained as the case may be then his/her benefit or credit shall be put in abeyance for a period recommended by IAIP and approved by the Head of the Institution.

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Note 3: HEIs shall create a mechanism so as to ensure that each of the paper publication/thesis/dissertation by the student, faculty, researcheror staff of the HEI is checked for plagiarism at the time of forwarding/submission.

Note 4: If there is any complaint of plagiarism against the Head of an HEI, a suitable action, in line with these regulations, shall be taken by the Controlling Authority of the HEI.

Note 5: If there is any complaint of plagiarism against the Head of Department/Authorities at the institutional level, a suitable action, in line with these regulations, shall be recommended by the IAIP and approved by the Competent Authority.

Note 6: If there is any complaint of plagiarism against any member of DAIP or IAIP, then such member shall excuse himself / herself from the meeting(s) where his/her case is being discussed/investigated.

13. Removal of Difficulty

UGC reserves the right to remove difficulty/difficulties in the course of implementations of these Regulations in consultation with the Government of India/ Ministry of Human Resource Development.

Prof. RAJNISH JAIN, Secy. [ADVT.-III/4/Exty./161/18]

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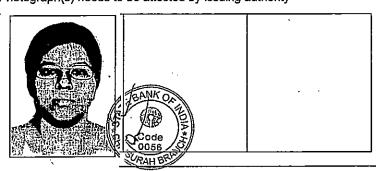
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BEFORE THE HON'BLE WEST BENGAL INFORMATION COMMISSION Letter of Authorization

Second Appeal under Section 19 (3) RTI Act 2005 against denial of information vide letter No. 48(i)/KU/RTI/22/S - 298 dated 14/09/22 by SPIO, University of Kalyani

IN THE MATTER OF:-

Dr Mouri Ghosh (appellant/ RTI applicant)

Vs.

Dr Indrani Karar (respondent)

Deputy Registrar and SPIO, University of Kalyani

I, Dr Mouri Ghosh, unmarried daughter of Dr Dharani Kanta Ghosh and Dr Tripti Das, currently employed as Teaching Faculty at WBNUJS, Kolkata, resident of Prantik, Pearabagan Road, Chinsurah, Hooghly, PIN - 712103, West Bengal am the appellant/ RTI applicant in the above referenced Second Appeal, hereby solemnly affirm and authorize my elder brother and legal guardian, Dr Gairik Ghosh, medical practitioner (Orthopaedic Surgeon) residing in the same premises as mine to act on my behalf as my authorized representative (A/R) to argue in the instant case. I further respectfully submit that because I am unmarried daughter of my elderly parents, my brother as my legal guardian has voluntarily agreed to represent me in this case in my quest of justice.

Most respectfully,

Mouri ljhosh 21.10.22

Dr Mouri Ghosh

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Dr Gairik Ghosh (elder brother of RTI Applicant/ Appellant)

DR. GAIRIK GHOSH M.S. (Ortho.), MRCS (UK) Orthopaedic Surgeon WBMC Reg. No.- 55549

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RTI Applicant : Dr. Mouri Ghosh

Public Authority: University of Kalyani

Date of RTI Application: 17.06.2022, 23.09.2022

Date of 1st Appeal: 25.08.2022, 04.11.2022 Date of 2nd Appeal: 21.10.2022, 11.01.2023

Date of hearing: 17.03.2025

(Appeal No. 102722 of 2025 &100043 of 2025 under the Right to Information Act, 2005)

Appellant : Dr. Mouri Ghosh

SPIO: SPIO, University of Kalyani

Facts on Record & Findings:

The SPIO of the case is present for the hearing in virtual mode while the appellant is present for hearing physically.

2. There are two second appeal cases of the appellant namely Appeal No. 102722 of 2025 (Date of RTI Application 17.06.2024) and Appeal No. 100043 of 2025 (Date of RTI application 23.09.2022). Since both of these RTI applications are based on the same/ similar matter, the two are being taken up together for hearing accordingly.

Appeal No. 102722 of 2025 (RTI Application Dated 17.06.2022)

- 3. There are four queries in this RTI application. From the case record and as submitted by the SPIO, it appears that so far no information has been furnished to the appellant. A perusal of the RTI application indicates that the appellant in Query Nos.1 & 2 wanted the status of complaint she had filed on the allegation of plagiarism by one Professor Gautam Paul by taking her PhD thesis to obtain DSc Degree from the Kalyani University. Query No. 2 seeks subsequent procedure etc. but Queries 1 & 2 seek the same response i.e. present status of the complaint and progress made on enquiry, if any. The other two queries are factual in nature i.e. date of award of DSc to Professor Goutam Paul and whether his DSc thesis has been submitted on portal "Shodh Ganga e-repository".
- 4. The SPIO submitted that these are personal information of a third party and hence protected under the RTI Act, 2005. However, this is not personal information of third party but seeking action taken on the complaint filed against this individual specifically by the appellant herself and therefore under the provisions of the RTI Act, no such exemption can be given and status of the complaint and other factual information as noted hereinabove has to be furnished to the appellant. A time of eight weeks is given to the SPIO to furnish requisite information to the appellant under intimation to the Commission. The matter will be taken up after eight weeks or submission of compliance report by the SPIO, whichever is earlier.

Appeal No.100043 of 2025 (RTI application Dated 23.09.2022)

- 5. The appellant filed an RTI application on 23.09.2022 seeking information on eleven number of queries. The SPIO, by a reply Dated 23.12.2022, informed the appellant that the information sought cannot be given as the matter on which she had filed RTI application is *sub-judice* in the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta. Dissatisfied, the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 04.11.2022 and second appeal before the Commission on 11.01.2023.
- 6. On being asked, the SPIO informed that there is no specific order from the Hon'ble High court, Calcutta for not furnishing information to the appellant and therefore the plea of the issue on which the RTI application was filed being *sub-judice* is not tenable as under section 8 (1) (b) of the RTI Act, 2005, unless expressly prohibited by a court of law, there is no exemption provided from furnishing information if it is in accordance with provisions of RTI Act and not exempted under any other provision of the RTI Act, 2005. It therefore appears that no information has been furnished to the appellant in this matter.
- 7. A perusal of the RTI Application indicates that the subject matter on which this RTI application has been filed is closely related to the RTI application Dated 17.06.2022 in seeking status of action taken on a complaint the appellant had filed before Kalyani University regarding alleged plagiarism of her PhD thesis by one Professor Gautam Paul for obtaining his DSc degree from the said university. Query Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8 & 10 seek factual information regarding Rules and Regulations, Constitution of Sundry

Committees and other factual information which are not personal information relating to

any individual but are public information and the same therefore need to be furnished to

the appellant.

8 However, the other queries specifically seek details of processing of the

appellant's allegation vis-à-vis DSc awarded to Professor Gautam Paul and disclosure

of such information including handling of Dr. Paul's thesis etc. would amount to

furnishing third party information unless it has already been accepted by the university

that the alleged plagiarism was carried out and in that case it will no longer be deemed

to be third party information. However, the university authority has yet to decide on the

complaint as no status has so far been furnished to the appellant. Be that as it may, the

SPIO shall furnish requisite information on Query Nos. 3, 6, 7, 8 and 10 to the appellant

within next eight weeks and inform the Commission compliance of the same. The

matter will be taken up along with the previous second appeal case No. 102722 of 2025

after expiry of eight weeks or receipt of compliance report from the SPIO whichever is

earlier.

9. Let authenticated copies of the order be forwarded to all concerned.

Date: 17.03.2025

(Naveen Prakash)

State Information Commissioner

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Ref. No. 1620-WBIC/RTI/A/102722/541/2025 dated 06.03.2025 of West Bengal Information Commission.

R.T.I. Applicant:	Dr. Mouri Ghosh	
Public Authority:	Kalyani University	_
Date of R.T.I. Application:	17.06.2022	
Date of 1st Appeal:	25.08.2022	
Date of Hearing:	17.03.2025	

Madam.

With reference to the above, this is to inform you the following in sequences:

- 1. No information available.
- 3. 21.01.2016.
- 4. (a) Does not require.
 - (b) Not applicable.

This is for your kind information.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely,

Dy. Registrar

S.P.I.O., Kalyani University.

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Appeal No. 102722 (A) of 2025 (N) / 3845(A) of 2022 (O) & 100043 (A) of 2025 (N) / 140 (A) of 2023 (O) under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

RTI Applicant

: Dr. Mouri Ghosh

SPIO

: The Deputy Registrar & SPIO, University of

Kalyani (Satyam Baidya, LO)

1st Appellate Authority

: The First Appellate Authority, University

of Kalyani

Date of RTI

: 17.06.2022, 23.09.2022

Date of 1st Appeal

: 25.08.2022, 04.11.2022

Date of 2nd Appeal / complaint : 21.10.2022, 10.01.2023

before the Commission

Date of Previous Hearing

: 17.03.2025

Date of Present Hearing

: 07.08.2025

Present for hearing -

a) SPIO

: Absent

b) 1st Appellate Authority

: Absent

c) Applicant

: In Person

Ref: i) Hearing Notice No. 4602-WBIC/RTI/A/102722/541/2025 Dated - 31.07.2025

ii) Hearing Notice No. 4651-WBIC/RTI/A/100043/542/2025 Dated - 04.08.2025

iii) Order No. 1872 & 1873 -WBIC/RTI/A/102722/541 & 100043/542/2025 dt-17.03.2025

Facts on Records:

1. Dr. Mouri Ghosh, the appellant, vide her two RTI applications dated- 17.06.2022 & 23.09.2022 requested for the following information / documents from the SPIO, University of Kalyani in c/w her complaint dated 27.01.2020 addressed to the Vice Chancellor, Kalyani University regarding inquiry into allegations of plagiarism on part of Prof. Dr Gautam Paul (Deptt. of Physiology) in his DSc thesis plagiarised from her earlier PhD thesis, as per UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions), Regulations, 2018. It is to be mentioned that in this regard earlier the appellant submitted RTI applications dated 03.08.2019, 13.11.2020. In response to the RTI application dated 03.08.2019, SPIO, Kalyani University sent reply to the appellant vide memo no. 52/KU/RTI/19/S-2066 dated 24.10.2019 stating " the

information and documents in Compact Disc containing the D.Sc. thesis of Prof.(Dr.) Gautam Paul of Department of Physiology, University of Kalyani, as sought for in your above referred letters, is annexed herewith".

2. RTI application Dated 17.06.2022 [2nd appeal no.102722 of 2025)]

- A) Dr. Mouri Ghosh, vide her application dated- 17.06.2022 requested for the following information / documents from the SPIO, University of Kalyani:
 - i) The present status of my complaint and how far any progress has been made into the inquiry.
 - ii) (a) the subsequent sequential procedural steps to be taken by the University based on my complaint and
 - (b) rules and regulations of the University, if any, concerning complaints of plagiarism, so that I can myself prepare and comply likewise.
 - iii) The date on which the aforementioned Professor Dr Goutam Paul of Department of Physiology, has been awarded DSc by the University based on his impugned thesis.
 - iv) (a) whether the impugned DSc thesis of Dr Goutam Paul had been submitted to INFLIBNET for upload to "Shodh Ganga e-repository" and
 - (b) the date of submission and/or upload of the same.
- B) SPIO, Kalyani University sent reply to the appellant vide memo no. 48/KU/RTI/22/S-263 dated 05/06.09.2022 stating "the process is running to collect the information. So kindly bear with us."
- C) SPIO, Kalyani University sent another reply to the appellant vide memo no. 48(i)/KU/RTI/22/S-298 dated 14.09.2022 stating "since it is a 3rd party case, as per section 11 of RTI Act,2005, we seek the consent from the third party, but the third party informed the undersigned not to disclose the information to other."
- D) Grounds for 2nd appeal are i) non-receipt of information ii) ulterior motive of the SPIO iii) larger public interest is served by disclosing of information
- E) Relief sought for by the appellant are i) direct SPIO to provide information u/s 19(8)(a), RTI Act,2005 ii) to grant compensation of Rs. Two Lakhs to compensate for mental distress, agony and angst suffered by the appellant iii) to impose penalty Rs. 250 per day u/s 20(1), RTI Act,2005 iv) to recommend disciplinary action against SPIO u/s 20(2), RTI Act,2005.

F) SPIO, Kalyani University sent another reply to the appellant vide memo no. 52(ii)/KU/RTI/22/25/S-196 dated 21 & 24.03.2025

3. RTI application Dated 23.09.2022 [2nd appeal no.100043 of 2025)]

- A) Dr. Mouri Ghosh, vide her application dated- 23.09.2022 requested for the following information / documents from the SPIO, University of Kalyani:
 - i) Copy of minutes of meeting of pre-thesis submission seminar and viva-voce of Prof.
 Goutam Paul's DSc. thesis as undertaken and recorded by this University.
 - ii) Documents of action taken by this University to ascertain the originality of Prof Goutam Paul's DSc. thesis before accepting it for the award of DSc.
 - iii) Rules and Regulations of this University regarding research work.
 - iv) Documents of procedure followed by the University from inception of Prof Goutam Paul's DSc. thesis related research up to the acceptance of his thesis by the University and until the award of Prof Goutam Paul's DSc thesis as per Rules and Regulations of the University regarding research work.
 - v) All correspondence pertaining to the research work of Prof Goutam Paul in this University related to his DSc thesis from inception till date.
 - vi) Date on which institutional Repository to "include dissertation / thesis/paper/publication and other in-house publications" has been created on the website of this University as per Regulation 6 (h) of the said UGC Regulations.
 - vii) Date on which the DSc. thesis (2015) of Prof Goutam Paul has been uploaded on the aforementioned institutional Repository of the website of this University.
 - viii) Date of constitution of "Departmental Academic Integrity Panel (DAIP)" in Deptt. of Physiology of this University as per Regulation 10 of the said UGC Regulations.
- ix) All documents including correspondence, minutes of meetings (including quorum), file- notings, memoranda, notifications, recommendations, reports etc. related to the investigation by DAIP of Deptt. of Physiology into my aforementioned plagiarism complaint against Prof Goutam Paul till date.
- x) Date of constitution of "Institutional Academic Integrity Panel (IAIP)" of this University as per Regulation 11 of the said UGC Regulations.
- xi) All documents including correspondence, minutes of meetings (including quorum), file- notings, memoranda, notifications, recommendations, reports etc. related to the

- investigation by IAIP of this University into my aforementioned plagiarism complaint against Prof Goutam Paul till date.
- B) SPIO, Kalyani University sent reply to the appellant vide memo no. 52/KU/RTI/22/S-359 dated 27/28.09.2022 stating "the process is running to collect the information. So kindly bear with us."
- C) SPIO, Kalyani University sent another reply to the appellant vide memo no. 52(i)/KU/RTI/22/S-491 dated 23.12.2022 & 02.01.2023 stating "a court case regarding Prof. Goutam Paul is subjudice in the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta. So it is barred to disclose the information as per RTI Act, 2005."
- D) Grounds for 2nd appeal are i) non-receipt of information ii) ulterior motive of the SPIO
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- E) Relief sought for by the appellant are i) direct SPIO to provide information u/s 19(8)(a), RTI Act,2005 ii) to grant compensation of Rs. Two Lakhs to compensate for mental distress, agony and angst suffered by the appellant iii) to impose penalty Rs. 250 per day u/s 20(1), RTI Act,2005 iv) to recommend disciplinary action against SPIO u/s 20(2), RTI Act,2005.

4. On 17.03.2025, 1st hearing was held.

- a. In the hearing of the appeal no. 102722 of 2025 the Commission asked the SPIO to provide status of the complaint and other factual information within eight weeks.
- b. In the hearing of the appeal no. 100043 of 2025 the Commission asked the SPIO to furnish information on Query Nos. 3, 6, 7, 8 and 10 to the appellant within next eight week.
- 5. SPIO, Kalyani University sent a reply to the appellant vide memo no. 52 (iii)/KU/RTI/22-25 dated 19.03.25 against the appeal no. 100043 of 2025.

Deliberations and Decision:

- The appellant Dr. Mouri Ghosh is present along with her elder brother Dr. Garik Ghosh in person.
- 7. The SPIO and Law Officer, University of Kalyani is absent. Dy. Registrar & the SPIO sent an e-mail dated 6th August, 2025 vide memo no. 34/KU/RTI/25 dated 06.08.2025 wherein

it was mentioned that 'due to some unavoidable circumstances, he is unable to attend the hearing on the scheduled date'.

- 8. There are two RTI applications which are discussed as follows:
 - i. RTI application Dated 17.06.2022 (2nd appeal no.102722 of 2025)It is seen that the appellant has been replied vide para 2 (F) above. It was pointed out that the reply to the query no. (i) & (ii), the SPIO will further reply as the answer of the query that no information is available, is ambiguous. Reply to the query (iii) & (iv) is adequate.
- ii. RTI application Dated 23.09.2022 (2nd appeal no.100043 of 2025)-Now in the order vide para 5 above, the SPIO was asked to reply query no. 3, 6, 7, 8 & 10. The SPIO has not yet replied other queries except query no. 3. The SPIO is directed to reply these queries.
- 9. Next date of hearing is fixed on the 23rd September, 2025 at 11.30 hrs.

Virendra 12-18-125
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No.: 4843 & 4844-WBIC/RTI/A/102722/541 & 100043/542/2025 Date: 14/08/2025 Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

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Appeal No. 102722 (A) of 2025 (N) / 3845(A) of 2022 (O) & 100043 (A) of 2025 (N) / 140 (A) of 2023 (O) under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

RTI Applicant

: Dr. Mouri Ghosh

SPIO

: Dr. Indrani Karar

Deputy Registrar & SPIO, University of Kalyani (Sr. Satyam Baidya, Law Officer)

1st Appellate Authority

: Prof. Debangsu Ray

Registrar & First Appellate Authority,

University of Kalyani

Date of RTI

: 17.06.2022, 23.09.2022

Date of 1st Appeal

: 25.08.2022, 04.11.2022

Date of 2nd Appeal / complaint : 21.10.2022, 10.01.2023

before the Commission

Date of Previous Hearing

: 17.03.2025, 07.08.2025

Date of Present Hearing

: 23.09.2025

Present for hearing -

a) SPIO

: Virtually

b) 1st Appellate Authority

: Absent

c) Applicant

: Virtually

Ref.: i) Order No. 4843 & 4844 -WBIC/RTI/A/102722/541 & 100043/542/2025 dt-14.08.25

- ii) Hearing Notice No. 4602-WBIC/RTI/A/102722/541/2025 Dated 31.07.2025
- iii) Hearing Notice No. 4651-WBIC/RTI/A/100043/542/2025 Dated 04.08.2025
- iv) Order No. 1872 & 1873 -WBIC/RTI/A/102722/541 & 100043/542/2025 date - 17.03.2025

Facts on Records:

- 1. In pursuant to the above referred WBIC order no. 4843 & 4844 WBIC/RTI/A/102722 /541 & 100043/542/2025 dt-14.08.25 today the appeal is schedule for hearing.
- 2. On 07.08.2025, in the 2nd hearing, the SPIO was absent.

The Commission ordered as following: -

i. RTI application Dated 17.06.2022 (2nd appeal no.102722 of 2025)-

It was pointed out that the reply to the query no. (i) & (ii) that no information is available, is ambiguous. The SPIO was directed to further reply.

ii. RTI application Dated 23.09.2022 (2nd appeal no. 100043 of 2025)-The SPIO was directed to reply query no. 3.

Deliberations and Decision:

- 3. The Appellant along with her elder brother Dr. Gairik Ghosh is present virtually. The SPIO along with the Law Officer is present virtually.
- 4. Regarding query no. (i) & (ii) vide para 2 (i) above,
 - a) The SPIO submitted that the University has not received any complaint from the appellant. Therefore, it was replied that no information is available. However, the appellant stated that the copy of the complaint has been delivered by India Post on the 3rd February, 2020 and again followed through e-mail on the 7th August, 2020 on the email ID of Vice Chancellor vcklyuniv@gmail.com. The SPIO stated that that the e-mail ID of the Vice Chancellor is vc_kalyani@klyuniv.ac.in that referred by Sh. Ghosh is incorrect.
 - b) It is seen that in the month of February the complainant was sent and after one month i.e. in the month of March, 2020 the lock down was imposed because of Covid.
 - c) During the discussion, there was confusion regarding the complaint submitted by the appellant to the University in February, 2020 and subsequently on e-mail in August, 2020. Whether it is available or not is the basis for deciding whether the appellant is replied adequately by the SPIO as per para 4 above. In order to sort out the issue one month time was given to the SPIO and directed to submit the reply in an affidavit form.
- 5. Regarding query no. 3 vide para 2 (ii) above, The appellant has asked for the Rules & Regulations of the University regarding research work. SPIO submitted that this is available in the Website of Kalyani University (PhD Section).
- 6. Next date of hearing is fixed on 11.12.2025 at 11.30 hrs. This is regarding para 4 above.

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