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**ITANAGAR, ARUNACHAL PRADESH**

An appeal case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005

Vide Case No.APIC-574/2025

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF SHRI VIJAY TARAM, THE STATE  
INFORMATION COMMISSIONER, UNDER SECTION 19(3) OF RTI ACT, 2005.**

Shri Bengia Papo

..... Appellant

**-VERSUS-**

PIO-Cum-Executive Engineer, UD & Housing,  
Koloriang, Kurung Kumey District,  
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

..... Respondent.

**Order:04.12.2025.**

**JUDGEMENT**

This is an appeal filed under sub-section (3) of Section 19 of the RTI 2005. Brief fact of the case is that the Appellant Shri Bengia Papo on **19/05/2025** filed an RTI application in Form- 'A' before the PIO-cum-EE, UD & Housing, Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh. Whereby seeking various information as quoted in Form 'A' application. The Appellant being not receiving the information from the PIO filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27/05/2025**, and even then, the Appellant not receiving the required information from the PIO, filed the Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on **13/08/2025** and the Registry of the Commission (APIC) having receipt of the Appeal registered it as APIC-No. **574/A/2025** (Appeal) and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

Accordingly, matter came up for hearing before the Commission on **04.12.2025** wherein the Appellant is represented by Shri Bengia Tahar with an authority letter from Shri Bengia Papo.

The PIO-cum-EE, UD & Housing, Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh is represented by Shri Bamang Amar, Assistant Engineer-cum-PIO, UD & Housing, Koloriang Division, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.

Heard the PIO;

The PIO stated that the Form-A of the Appellant is ambiguous, frivolous and not specific, and therefore, the PIO has not provided the information to the Appellant.

Heard the Appellant;

The Appellant stated that, he has no idea of the Form-A of the Appellant but he is representing the Appellant as he was requested so, by the Appellant.

After hearing both the parties, the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) hereby observes;

## 1. Introduction

This order pertains to the dismissal of the second appeal bearing APIC 574 filed by Shri Bengia Papo under the Right to Information Act (RTI). The appellant has previously filed the same RTI application requesting identical information from the same PIO, leading to redundancy in appeals.

## 2. Background

The appellant Shri Bengia Papo submitted two RTI applications requesting the same information, followed by two 2<sup>nd</sup> appeals concerning the responses received. The current appeal in question—APIC 574—is based on an earlier appeal (APIC 573) that is still pending resolution for the same matter and against the same Public Information Officer.

## 3. Legal Considerations

The principles of "double jeopardy" and judicial economy necessitate the dismissal of redundant appeals. It is established that:

- No party should be tried or punished twice for the same offense or for the same matter.
- Adjudicating similar appeals wastes public resources and time, not only for the parties involved but also for the APIC tasked with handling these appeals.

The Right to Information Act aims to empower citizens while promoting transparency; however, it also burdens the system when multiple appeals are unnecessarily filed for identical requests.

## 4. Decision

In light of the above considerations, the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC), hereby order:

- The second appeal **APIC No- 574**, filed by Shri Bengia Papo is dismissed.
- The pending appeal bearing **APIC No- 573**, will be proceeded with, as it is the only valid open matter concerning the information originally sought by the appellant.
- The appellant is advised not to file unnecessary appeals in the future, as they detract from the efficiency of the RTI process, waste the valuable time of Public Information Officers, and consume the resources of the Appellate Body.

## 5. Conclusion

The appeal has been dismissed and closed for all intents and purposes, ensuring no further proceedings will take place regarding this matter. This decision aims to uphold the integrity of the RTI process and promote responsible usage of public resources.

**Order;**

In view of the above facts and circumstance the Commission dismiss this Appeal. And, accordingly, this Appeal stands dismissed and closed once for all.

Judgment pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December' 2025.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December' 2025.

Sd/-

**(Vijay Taram)**  
State Information Commissioner  
APIC-Itanagar

Memo.No.APIC-574/A/2025/1021

Dated Itanagar, the 10.....December, 2025.

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