

ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, (APIC) ITANAGAR, ARUNACHAL PRADESH

An apple case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 Vide Case No.APIC- 217/2023

INFORMATION COMMISSIONER, UNDER SECTION 19(3) OF RTI ACT, 2005.

-VERSUS-

PIO-cum-Block Development Officer, Chetam Chetam Circle, Upper Subansir District, Arunachal Pradesh, ... **Respondent**.

Judgment/Order:

29.01.2024.

JUDGMENT/ORDER

This is an appeal filed under sub-section (3) of Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005. Brief fact of the case is that the appellant Shri Nikam Dabu on 14.12.2023 filed an RTI application under Form-'A' before the PIO-cum- BDO, Chetam, CD Block, Chetam, U/Subansiri District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh whereby, seeking various information, as quoted in Form-A application. The Appellant, being not satisfied with the information received from the PIO, filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 19.01.2023 Appellant, again having not received the required information from the FAA, filed the Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on 09.03.2023 and the Registry of the Commission (APIC), having receipt of the appeal, registered it as APIC No. 217/2023 and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

Accordingly, matter came up for hearing before the Commission for 8 (Eight) times i.e. on 03.04.2023, 27.04.2023, 15.05.2023, 19.06.2023, 31.07.2023, 14.09.2023, 30.10.2023,11.12.2023 & 29.01.2024. In this hearing of the appeal on 29th day of January, 2024. Both the parties found absent during the hearing.

After going through all the available records /documents the Commission found that the PIO has furnished all the information to the appellant during the last hearing dated on 30.10.2023. The Commission directed the appellant to intimate his satisfaction or dissatisfaction to the Commission, after going through the information which received him from the PIO but the appellant failed to convey his satisfaction or dissatisfaction to the commission, till date.

On this, the Commission viewed seriously on the reluctant attitude as he fail to comply the directions of the Commission.

Moreover, during the hearing, the Commission tried to contact the appellant and the PIO through on audio hearing but both the parties did not responded the call.

In this, context it is pertinent to point out herein that the appellant remained absent during the hearing and, he failed to comply the direction of the Commission and he remained absent at his own will for two consecutive times i.e. dated on 11.12.2023 & 29.01.2024, inspite of the direction of the Commission to him to appear in person before the Commission in the next date of hearing i.e. on 29/01/2024 but the Appellant failed to present himself during the hearing. Moreover, he remained silent though he was intimated well in advance that, if he remained twice absent during the hearing his appeal shall be decided ex-parte and disposed of. But he remained absent consecutively twice during the hearing dates as mentioned above.

So, I find that the appellant is no more interest on the APIC No-217/2023 appeal for further hearing.

In such viewing the fact and circumstances, I have a reason for believing of the fact that the Appellant has fully received all the information sought from the PIO and Satisfied. Thus, I find this appeal fit to be disposed of as infructuous to continue the hearing.

So, the appeal is disposed of as infructuous and closed once for all.

Judgment/Order pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this 29th day of January, 2024.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission/Court on this 29^{th} day of January, 2024.

Sd/(Sonam Yudron)
State Information Commissioner
APIC, Itanagar.
Dated Itanagar, the July February 2024.

Memo.No.APIC-217/2023//368 Copy to:

1. The PIO-cum-Block Development Officer, Chetam, Upper Subansiri District, Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please.

2. Shri Nikam Dabu,C/o B.B.B. Enterprises, H-Sector, Itanagar, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please.

7. The Computer Programmer for upload on the Website of APIC, please.

4. Office Copy.

Registrar Dy. Registrar

Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission