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ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION (APIC)  
ITANAGAR

(Before the Hon'ble Information Commissioner Mr. Genom Tekseng)

**AN APPEAL UNDER SECTION 19 (3) OF RTI ACT, 2005.**

APIC-No.822/2022(Appeal)

Sh. Hillang Tadh, D-Sector, B-Extension-  
B-1, Itanagar, Papumpare District,  
Arunachal Pradesh. (M) 9436666566,  
**Pin: 791111.**

Appellant

**-Versus-**

The PIO-Cum-EE, Capital Electrical  
Division, Deptt. of Power, Itanagar,  
Papumpare District Arunachal Pradesh.  
**Pin: 791111.**

Respondent

**Date of hearing: 22.12.2023.**

**Date of decision: 22.12.2023.**

**FACTS OF THE CASE:**

The appellant filed an RTI application dated **07.10.2023** seeking information on Automation of Electric Energy Metering and Billing with AMR & Prepaid Metres in Capital Complex, Itanagar. The PIO did not provide reply in response to the RTI application. The appellant then filed a First Appeal dated **17.11.2022**. The First Appellate Authority's (FAA) order, if any, is not available on record. Feeling aggrieved the appellant approached this commission through this Second Appeal.

**FACTS EMERGING DURING THE HEARING:**

This case was transferred to this commission by the SCIC vide order dated 25.05.2023 from the bench of Shri Goto Ete, SIC.

This case was initially heard on **16.03.2023** by Shri Goto Ete, SIC. The appellant appeared in person on 16.03.2023. The PIO was, though absent, heard through audio hearing. During the hearing the appellant submitted that the PIO did not furnish information and pleaded that sought information should be furnished to him. The PIO also admitted that no information had been provided within stipulated time frame to the appellant. Keeping in view the facts of the case and in the light of the submissions made by the parties during the hearing, the commission directed the PIO to furnish the required information on or before next date of hearing. The commission also decided to initiate action against the PIO for its dereliction of the duties and responsibilities in contravention of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Accordingly, Show Cause Notice was issued against the PIO on **16.03.2023**. Reply to the Show Cause Notice was to be sent to the commission on or before next date of hearing fixed on 20.04.2023.

The PIO was absent during the hearing on **20.04.2023**. However, Shri Taw Negu, APIO appeared on behalf of the PIO. The PIO's representative informed the commission that owing to unavailable reasons the PIO would not be able to attend the hearing. The commission also received a written submission dated **19.04.2023**, from the PIO wherein he sought for an adjournment of the case. The appellant was also represented by Shri Hillang Taso. Shri Hillang Taso did not make any submission on behalf of the appellant. The commission after hearing the parties present and perusing the record directed the PIO to furnish available information to the appellant and appear on 04.05.2023.

The PIO appeared on **04.05.2023** with the sought information and requested for the permission of the commission to hand over it to the appellant which was allowed. The appellant had, accordingly, received the information. The appellant had also sought for a reasonable time for verification of the information so received from the PIO. On the request of the appellant hearing of the case was adjourned.

The case was re-scheduled and fixed for hearing on **22.12.2023**.

## **DECISION**

The instant case is being heard today. The PIO appears before the commission and submits that sought information had already been furnished to the appellant. The appellant is, though absent, heard through audio hearing. During the hearing the appellant has confirmed having received the information and expressed satisfaction regarding the information furnished by the PIO. Keeping in view the facts of the case the submissions made by the parties during the hearing, the commission is of the opinion that complete information, though late, has been provided by the PIO in compliance of the commission directions. Hence, no further action lies. Action initiated against the PIO is dropped and the instant appeal stands **disposed of** accordingly.

Copy of this order be supplied to the parties.

Sd/-

(Genom Tekseng)


Information Commissioner

Dated Itanagar the 22 Jan' 2024.

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