



**ITANAGAR, ARUNACHAL PRADESH**

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

**Vide Case No.APIC-273/2025**

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

Shri Vijay Bodo & Org.

..... Appellant

**-VERSUS-**

PIO-Cum-Executive Engineer, PWD,  
Chayangtajo, East Kameng District,  
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

..... Respondent.

**Order: 11.09.2025.**

**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 Vijay Bodo on **26/11/2024** filed an RTI application in Form- 'A' before the PIO-cum-EE, PWD, Chayang Tajo Division, East Kameng 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 wrong forum on **07/01/2025**. The Appellant again having not received the required information from the PIO, filed the Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on **24/03/2025** and the Registry of the Commission (APIC) having receipt of the Appeal registered it as APIC-No. **273/A/2025** (Appeal) and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

Accordingly, matter came up for hearing before the Commission on **11.09.2025** wherein the Appellant is present during the hearing before the Commission.

The PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, PWD, Chayangtajo Division, East Kameng District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh found absent during the hearing before the Commission.

**1. Background:**

The Appellant, Shri Vijay Bodo, submitted a request for information under the Right to Information (RTI) Act, 2005, to the Public Information Officer (PIO) - Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Chayangtajo Division. The Appellant has claimed that the PIO failed to provide the requested information within the stipulated time frame.

**2. Procedural Lapse:**

Subsequently, the Appellant filed a First Appeal with the same PIO instead of addressing the appeal to the competent First Appellate Authority (FAA). This action constitutes a procedural lapse, as the RTI Act prescribes a specific hierarchy for appeals that must be adhered to for due process.

Moreover, the Appellant escalated the matter by filing a Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) without having properly pursued a First Appeal before the appropriate FAA. Such procedural irregularities are significant as they challenge the established framework of the RTI Act, 2005, thereby necessitating a dismissal of the current appeal.

**3. Conclusion:**

In view of the procedural lapses identified, the Second Appeal filed by Shri Vijay Bodo is hereby dismissed.

#### 4. Liberty Granted:

The Appellant is granted liberty to submit a fresh application for the information sought, following the laid-down procedures as mandated by the RTI Act, 2005. It is imperative that the Appellant ensures compliance with all procedural requirements to facilitate a smooth process in obtaining the information desired.

#### 5. Implications:

This dismissal does not bear any adverse implications for the Appellant regarding the merits of the information requested; rather, it serves to reinforce the importance of adhering to the procedural norms laid out in the RTI Act.

#### 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 11<sup>th</sup> day of September' 2025. Copy of this Judgment be furnished to the parties.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission/Court on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September' 2025.

Sd/-

**(Vijay Taram)**

State Information Commissioner  
APIC-Itanagar

**Memo.No.APIC-273/A/2025**

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**Dated Itanagar, the 18<sup>th</sup> September, 2025.**

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