



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005
Case No. APIC- 649/2023.

APPELLANT : Shri Tamchi Gungte (General Secretary), Arunachal Pradesh Peoples' Right Forum APPRF), Near K.V-2 School, Chimpu, Itanagar (A.P)

RESPONDENT : The PIO, o/o the Executive Engineer (RWD), Govt. of A.P, Likabali Division, Lower Siang District (A.P)

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Tamchi Gungte, for denial of information by the PIO O/o the Executive Engineer (RWD), Likabali Division, Lower Siang District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh. He has sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 27.04.2023.

This appeal is listed for hearing for the 10th time today on 23.04.2025, the 9th hearing being on 19.02.2025.

In the 7th hearing on 6th December, 2024, the representative of the PIO, o/o E.E (RWD), Likabali Division, Er. Shri P.C. Yadav, ASW had brought in the duly certified information sought for by the appellant which was handed over to the appellant who was directed to go through the same and report his satisfaction or otherwise within one week from 06.12.2024 so that next date of hearing, if required, can be fixed.

As directed, the appellant, vide his letter dt. 18.12.2024 addressed to the PIO, o/o E.E (RWD), Likabali Division, with copy endorsed to this Commission, had intimated that documents furnished to him during the hearing are incomplete and not as per his RTI application.

This Commission, considering the mandate of the RTI Act to furnish complete and satisfactory information to an RTI applicant, this appeal was heard on 29.01.2025 for the 8th time. However, no one appeared from the o/o the PIO despite summon notice. The appellant who was present, reiterated his dissatisfaction as already communicated to the PIO vide his letter dt. 18.12.2024 and pleaded for direction to the PIO to furnish the documents in complete form as requested by him.

Since the PIO nor any of his representative was present, the hearing of this appeal was adjourned to 19.02.2025 and the PIO was directed to attend the hearing with the left out/complete information without fail to avoid penal action under the relevant provisions of RTI Act, 2005.

The appellant did not turn up on 19.02.25 but the APIO, Shri P.C. Yadav, ASW was present with the left out documents with forwarding letter dt. 14.02.2025 addressed to the Appellant, Shri Tamchi Gungte in respect of :

- (1) c/o 60 bedded Girls Hostel at Govt. Hr. School Likabali;
- (2) c/o 50 bedded Girls Hostel at Govt. Hr. School, Kamku, Likabali Block and
- (3) c/o replacement of existing School at ME School, Silli (8ACRs) in Likabali Block

This Commission, upon hearing the APIO, then directed the appellant to go through the documents with the photographs of the completed projects and report his satisfaction or otherwise therewith to this Commission within 2 (two) weeks from the date of receipt of this order whereafter the next date of hearing, if required, shall be fixed and intimated to the parties.

In compliance with the Commission's order dated 19th February , 2025 the appellant, vide his letter dated 26.03.2025 informed this Commission that despite Commissions order dtd. 19th Feb. 2025, the APIO/PIO failed to furnish him the complete information. The appellant also requested for hearing the appeal so that he can get the remaining information / documents from the PIO/APIO.

The appeal was, accordingly, listed for hearing on 23.04.2025 and the PIO o/o the Executive Engineer (RWD), Likabali Division was summoned to appear in person but the PIO nor any of his representatives attended the hearing.

Since the appellant who was present in person in the hearing submitted that he has not received the information the PIO had supposed to have furnished vide the letter dt.14.02.2025, the PIO is directed to provide the left out information to the appellant within 2(two) weeks from today in order to avoid penal action under section 20 of the RTI Act, 2005. It is, however, made clear that against those information which are not available with the PIO, a declaration to that effect shall be furnished by the PIO by way of an affidavit. The appellant shall also intimate this Commission of his receipt of the information to this Commission failing which this appeal shall stand closed without any further order.

Sd/-

(S. TSERIN BAPPU)

State Information Commissioner,
APIC, Itanagar.

Memo No. APIC- 649/2023/543

Dated Itanagar, the 25 April, 2025

Copy to:-

1. The S.E (RWD), East Siang District, Pasighat, the First Appellate Authority (FAA) for information and ensuring compliance of the order by the PIO.
2. The PIO, o/o the Executive Engineer (RWD) Likabali Division, Lower Siang(A.P) Pin-791125 for information.
3. Shri Tamchi Gungte, General Secretary, Arunachal Pradesh Peoples' Right Forum (APPRF), Near K.V2 School, Chimpu Itanagar Pin:791113 (M. No 9233567279/8257994249) for information and compliance.
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