



ITANAGAR, ARUNACHAL PRADESH

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

Vide Case No.APIC-406/2025

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

Shri Arun Riya

..... Appellant

-VERSUS-

PIO-Cum-Divisional Forest Officer
Koloriang, Kurung Kumey District,
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

..... Respondent.

Order: 30.07.2026.

JUDGMENT

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 Arun Riya on **27/02/2025** filed an RTI application in Form-'A' before the PIO-cum-Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Koloriang, Kurung Kumey District. Whereby seeking various information as quoted in his Form 'A' application. The Appellant being not receiving the information from the PIO, filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **16/04/2025**. The Appellant again having not received the required information from the FAA, filed the Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on **27/05/2025** and the Registry of the Commission (APIC) having receipt of the Appeal registered it as **APIC-No. 406/A/2025** (Appeal) and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

Accordingly, matter came up for hearing before the Commission on **28.10.2025, 05.03.2026, 21.05.2026 & 30.07.2026** wherein the Appellant found absent during the two hearings before the Commission.

The PIO-cum-Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Koloriang, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh is absent without reporting the reason for his absence to the Commission.

In the absence of both the parties, the Commission hereby observes as follows;

- i) The Appellant Shri Arun Riya was issued warning summons to be present in person today before the Commission on 21.05.2026.
- ii) The Appellant was also served notice to be present in the hearing on 05.03.2026, but despite notice served to be present in the hearings the Appellant is continuously absent for the 2nd time today in contempt to the notice for hearing issued by the Commission.

- iii) Continuous absence of the Appellant in the hearing without reporting the reason for his absence clearly signifies his non-seriousness in his appeal and had the Appellant been serious in his appeal he would have been present in the hearing and in the event of absence in the hearing due to some un-avoidable reason the Appellant should have submitted letter of absence as per procedural law in India.
- iv) Taking count of continuous absence in the hearing by the Appellant, the Commission viewing seriously the continued absence of the Appellant, hereby dispose of this appeal ex-parte.

Under the above observations and following procedural law the Commission hereby dispose of this appeal ex-parte. And therefore, this appeal is disposed of and closed once for all with no liberty given to the Appellant to file fresh application for the same information from the same PIO.

In view of the above facts and circumstances the Commission dispose this Appeal ex-parte. And, accordingly, this Appeal stands disposed of and closed once for all.

Judgment pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this 30th day of July' 2026.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 30th day of July' 2026.

Sd/-

(Vijay Taram)

State Information Commissioner
APIC-Itanagar

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Dated Itanagar, the 03 July, 2026.

Copy to:

- 1. PIO-Cum-Divisional Forest Officer, Koloriang, K/Kumey District, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please. **Pin Code:791118**
- 2. Shri Arun Riya, Karsingsa, near petrol pump, P/O-Banderdewa, P/Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh for information please. **Contact No. 6009180830**
- 3. The Computer Programmer, APIC for uploading on the Website of APIC and mail it to the concerned department please.
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