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ITANAGAR, ARUNACHAL PRADESH

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

Vide Case No.APIC-333/2025

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

Shri Tamchi Gungte

..... Appellant

-VERSUS-

PIO-Cum- Executive Engineer,
PWD, Dirang, West Kameng District,
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

..... Respondent.

Order:04.11.2025.

JUDGEMENT

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 Tamchi Gungte** on 09/12/2024 filed an RTI application under Form-'A' before the PIO-Cum-EE, Department of PWD Dirang Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh whereby, seeking various information, as quoted in their Form-A application. The Appellant, being not furnished with the information from the PIO, filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 21/02/2025 Appellant, again having not received the required information from the FAA, filed the Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on 21/09/2025 and the Registry of the Commission (APIC), having receipt of the Appeal, registered it as APIC No. 333/2025 and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

In the 2nd hearing held on 4th November 2025, related to the APIC No.333/2025 (Appeal) the Appellant Shri Tamchi Gungte absent during the hearing without intimating to the Commission the reason for his inability to attend the hearing, but the PIO- cum EE (PWD) present during the hearing through on line mode.

The appellant has been summoned twice for the hearings dated 24th July 2025 and 4th November 2025.

Heard the PIO

In the 1st hearing held on 24th July '2025, the Public Information Officer (PIO) presented himself and informed the Commission that all requested information was ready for furnishing to the appellant. The appellant was directed by the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) on 24th July '2025 to collect the information(s) from the PIO's office.

In the 2nd hearing held on 4th November 2025, the PIO appeared again through online mode, reiterating that the information was available for collection by the Appellants. However, the appellant was absent again, and no prior notice or reason for non-appearance was communicated to the Commission.

After hearing the PIO, the Commission observes;

According to Section 7 of the Right to Information Act, 2005, the information must be provided by the PIO within a stipulated time frame, and the appellant has the right to receive such information. However, the appellant is equally obligated to comply with the orders of the Commission and make the necessary efforts to collect the furnished information from the office of the PIO.

The Commission views the consecutive absences of the appellant with great seriousness. The repeated failure to appear without legitimate justification leads the Commission to conclude that the appellant is not acting in good faith regarding the appeal. The absence at two hearings,

particularly after clear instructions were given on the first hearing to collect the information, indicates a lack of seriousness about the matter.

The findings of the Commission;

In light of the above findings, the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission dismisses this **Appeal ex parte**. **The appeal is closed for all intents and purposes.**

The order of the Commission;

The appeal is hereby dismissed. No further examination shall take place regarding this matter unless a legitimate reason for the absence is communicated to the Commission, along with a request for reinstatement of the appeal.

Therefore, this second appeal stands dismissed for lack of subject-matter jurisdiction and bona fide.

Judgment order pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this 4th day of **November 2025**, copy of judgment order be furnished to the both parties.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission/Court on this 4th day of **November 2025**.

Sd/-
(Vijay Taram)
State Information Commissioner
APIC-Itanagar

Memo.No.APIC-333/A/2025 /954 Dated Itanagar, the ...11...November, 2025.

Copy to:

1. PIO-Cum-Executive Engineer, PWD, Dirang, W/Kameng District, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please. **Pin Code-790101.**
2. Shri Tamchi Gungte, Near KV-II School Chimpu, Itanagar, P/Pare District Arunachal Pradesh for information please. **Contact No. 9233567279**
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