



IN THE COURT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, (APIC).

APIC NO- 196/2024 (Appeal).

Date: 08/04/2025.

To,

The Commissioner/Secretary, RWD,
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for compliance of the order.

ORDER:

In the matter of Appeal: Shri Niaye Lingri Vs PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, RWD, Daporijo, Upper Subansiri District, Arunachal Pradesh.

BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF SHRI VIJAY TARAM.

1. This Court, having taken cognizance of the appeal filed by Shri Niyaye Lingri against the Public Information Officer cum Executive Engineer, RWD Daporijo Division, hereby addresses the grave matter concerning non-compliance of the appearance by the said Public Information Officer in the hearing scheduled for 30/07/2024, 03/09/2024, 26/11/2024, 04/02/2025 and 08/04/2025.
2. It has come to the attention of this Court that after multiple notices issued to the Public Information Officer, the officer has failed to appear on the scheduled hearing dates without any reasonable justification, despite a Bailable Warrant of Arrest being issued against him on 4th February 2025 to appear in my court on 8th April 2025: under the provisions of Section 18(3)(a) and Section 25(5) of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

This non-compliance reflects a blatant disregard for the statutory obligations imposed under the RTI Act, which is intended to promote transparency and accountability in the functioning of public authorities.

3. Considering the gravity of the matter and the continued absence of the Public Information Officer which adversely affects the rights of the appellant to seek redressal, it is hereby ordered that:
 - a. The Commissioner/Secretary, RWD, Government of Arunachal Pradesh shall initiate appropriate disciplinary action against the erring Public Information Officer cum Executive Engineer, RWD Daporijo Division, for his non-compliance with the court directives and his failure to uphold the principles enshrined in the Right to Information Act, 2005.
 - b. The Commissioner/Secretary shall submit a written report detailing the action taken against the Public Information Officer to this Court within 3 weeks from the date of the order which is 8th April 2025.
 - c. The Commissioner/Secretary is further directed to ensure that measures are put in place to prevent such occurrences in the future, thereby safeguarding the rights of citizens to hold public officials accountable.

4. This order shall be communicated to the Commissioner/Secretary, RWD, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, immediately for compliance.
5. The appellant is advised to be present for the next scheduled hearing, which will take place on 24th June 2025: 2:30 pm

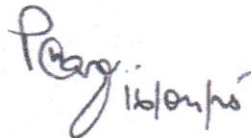
Given under the hand and seal of this Court on this 8th day of April 2025.

Sd/-
Vijay Taram
State Information Commissioner,
APIC, Itanagar.

Memo. No. APIC-196/2024/647
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Dated Itanagar, the...16 April, 2025

1. The Deputy Commissioner, Upper Subansiri District, Daporijo, for information.
2. The Superintendent of Police, Upper Subansiri District, Daporijo, for information.
3. The Officer-In-Charge, Daporijo Police Station U/Subansiri for execution and return of bailable arrest warrant
4. The PIO-Cum-EE, RWD, Daporijo, U/Subansiri, GOVT. OF A.P. for information.
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Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission
Itanagar