



**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION  
ITANAGAR**

**BEFORE THE FULL BENCH COURT OF STATE INFORMATION  
COMMISSIONERS**

No.APIC-765/2023

Dated, Itanagar the 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

**Appeal Under Section 19(3) RTI Act, 2005**

**Appellant:** Shri Tania June, E-Sector, PO/PS Naharlagun, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791113, (M) 813184230.

Vs

**Respondent:** Shri Dani Lampung, the SPIO-cum-EE(PHE & WS), Govt. of A.P., Dirang Division, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN- 790101.

**ORDER**

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 filed by Shri Tania June, E-Sector, PO/PS Naharlagun, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh, for non-furnishing of information by the SPIO-cum-EE(PHE & WS), Govt. of A.P., Dirang Division, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh as sought by the Appellant under section 6(1) of RTI Act, 2005 vide Form-A Dated 26/05/2023 regarding **Expenditure and implementation of under JJM Schemes of entire Dirang Area. (A.P.)**.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing is held today on 26<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 as scheduled. Shri Dani Lampung, the SPIO-cum-EE(PHE & WS), Govt. of A.P., Dirang Division, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh and the Appellant Shri Tania June are absent. During the 1<sup>st</sup> hearing the PIO was representative by Er. Tung Sono, APIO-cum-AE (PHE & WS), Dirang Division, West Kameng District and informed that information sought are very voluminous and period of information sought for is from 2019 to till date, which is not possible to furnish to the appellant as the Govt. employees are to attend their routine works too. The Appellant was directed to sort out list of specific information and was directed to seek information of one work of one project for one financial year. But it seems that appellant has not submitted the specific list of information.

Despite cautioned not to remain absent from the hearing the PIO remained absent in today's hearing without any prior reasonable intimation. The PIO has also not deputed any subordinate on his behalf. The absence of the PIO in performing statutory duty is viewed seriously. It is gross negligence on the part of the public authority and disrespect to the law made by the parliament.



Having observed the gross violation of the RTI Act in the matter and failure to comply with the directions of the Commission, it decides to initiate actions under section 20(1) of the RTI Act 2005 and directs the respondent The PIO-cum-EE(PHE & WS), Govt. of A.P., Dirang Division, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh, to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing in person to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why penalty should not be imposed on him under section 20(1) RTI Act 2005. The respondent is also directed to send his written submission along with the supporting documents upon which he chooses to reply during the hearing to the Commission at least seven days prior to the actual date of hearing.

Both the parties are directed to appear before the Commission's court on the next date of hearing without fail. If the SPIO is found absent the Commission may initiate penal action as per provision under section 20(1) of the RTI Act-2005 and in case Appellant is found absent the case shall be disposed of without any further notice, presuming that the Appellant is satisfied with the information so furnished.

**The next date of hearing is fixed on 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2024 (Tuesday) at 1030 hrs.**

**Therefore, Shri Dani Lampung, the SPIO-cum-EE(PHE & WS), Govt. of A.P., Dirang Division, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh is hereby summoned to appear before this Court in person on the scheduled date and time without fail.**

**Order copies be issued to all the parties.**

Sd/-

(Rinchen Dorjee)

State Chief Information Commissioner  
Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission

Itanagar

**Memo No.APIC-765/2023/945**  
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**Dated, Itanagar the 28 March, 2024**

1. The FAA-cum-Chief Engineer (PHE & WS), Govt. of A.P. O/o Chief Engineer (PHE & WS) Western Zone, Department of PHE, Itanagar, PIN-791111, to ensure attendance of Shri Dani Lampung, the SPIO-cum-EE(PHE & WS), Govt. of A.P., Dirang Division, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh, before the Hon'ble Court of State Chief Information Commissioner, APIC, Itanagar.
2. The Deputy Commissioner, Govt. of A.P.Bomdila, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-790001, to ensure attendance of Shri Dani Lampung, the SPIO-cum-EE(PHE & WS), Govt. of A.P., Dirang Division, West Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh, before the Hon'ble Court of State Chief Information Commissioner, APIC, Itanagar.
3. Computer Programmer, APIC, Itanagar, to upload in APIC Website & send mail to all the parties.
4. Case file.

Registrar /Dy. Registrar

Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission

Itanagar

Deputy Registrar

Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission  
Itanagar