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ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR.

Complaint Case U/S 18 (1) of RTI Act, 2005

Case No. APIC- 15/2024.

(Summon to appear in person)

(Or.5, R.3 of CPC)

APPELLANT : Shri Tania June & Shri Issac Ejing, E-Sector, Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh.

RESPONDENT : The PIO, o/o E.E (PHE & WS), Yingkiong Division, Upper Siang District (A.P).

ORDER/SUMMON

This was a Complaint case under Section 18(1) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Tania June & Shri Issac Ejing for denial of 24 (twenty four) point information Improvement of Water Supply system in Katan Circle, in Upper Siang District by the PIO, o/o the Executive Engineer (PHE & WS), Yingkiong Division, Upper Siang District as sought for by them under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide their application dated 05.11.2024.

This appeal was heard for 6(six) times on 21.03.2025, 11.04.2025, 14.05.2025, 13.06.2025, 16.07.2025, 30.07.2025 and 05.09.2025.

The proceedings of hearing of this appeal held on 05.09.2025 and order passed thereby is extracted hereunder:

“Hearing and decision:

This appeal was heard for 5(five) times on 21.03.2025, 11.04.2025, 14.05.2025, 13.06.2025, 16.07.2025 and 30.07.2025.

Due to repeated absence of the PIO in the hearing and violation of the provisions of RTI Act, this Commission had issued notice dt.17.07.2025 to the PIO, Er. Shri Rajen Taying, EE (PHE & WS), Yingkiong to show cause as to why penalty of Rs.25,000.00 (Rupees twenty five) thousand shall not be imposed on him under section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005. He was also directed to appear before this Commission on 30.07.2025 (Wednesday) at 11.30 am with the requested documents and his explanation on his absence from the hearing.

The PIO did not appear on 30.07.2025 but deputed Er. Shri Tumba Ingo, A.E-cum-APIO along with the copy of explanation dt.26.07.2025 from the PIO and a copy of Govt. order dt. 23.07.2025 issued by the PD(RD) regarding a training programme fixed on 29.07.25 to 31.07.25 on District Level Management Development. The APIO also brought in the requested information in soft copy.

This Commission, on perusal of the explanation furnished by the PIO and considering the fact that the requested information was being furnished, the show cause notice dt.17.07.25 was kept in abeyance till the PIO discharged his mandated responsibility under the Act fully.

This Commission also perused the letter forwarding the documents by the PIO vide letter dt.25.07.2025 through annexure-A in tabular form and it was noticed that in the remarks column, ‘Not Applicable’ / ‘NA’ has been mentioned against most of the queries.

The PIO was, therefore, directed to furnish the specific replies to the queries as per the RTI application with justified reasons against the queries for which information is not available or not applicable and report the compliance thereof on 05.09.2025.

Today on 05.09.2025, the APIO, Er. Shri Tumba Ingo, AE is present with the documents in hard copies which are handed over to Shri Tania June, one of the appellants who is directed to go through the same and report his satisfaction or otherwise within 1(one)week from today failing which it is made clear that this appeal stand closed without further notice.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 5th Sept., 2025."

As directed, one of the appellants, Shri Tania June, vide his letter dt.08.09.2025, has now complained as under:

"Respected Sir,

I beg to submit that, in connection with my complaint case regarding the water supply system under Katan Circle, Upper Siang District, I have recently received certain documents in hard copy from the Assistant Engineer (AE). However, the documents supplied are neither sufficient nor satisfactory to address the points raised in my complaint. The information provided is incomplete, and vital records/details pertaining to the functioning, maintenance, financial expenditure, and related works of the water supply system have not been furnished. This has caused difficulty in understanding the actual status and accountability in the matter.

Therefore, I kindly request your good office to kindly direct the concerned authority to provide complete, clear, and satisfactory information as per the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005, in respect of my complaint.

I shall remain grateful for your kind intervention in this matter.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-

Shri Tania June"

This Commission considered the contents of the appellant's letter and is constrained to warn the PIO for the last time to furnish the requested information to the appellants correctly and in proper form within 3(three) weeks and report compliance thereof on 15.10.2025 failing which the show cause notice dt.17.07.25 which is kept in abeyance shall be revived and the consequential penal action under section 20(1) read with section 19(8)(c) of the RTI Act shall follow without further notice.

This appeal is, accordingly, listed again on 15.10.2025

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 12th Sept., 2025.

You are hereby summoned to appear in person in the Hon'ble Court of Shri Sangyal Tsering Bappu, SIC on the 15th October, 2025 (Wednesday) at 10.30 am to answer the claims, and you are directed to produce on that day all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your claims/defense.

NOW THEREFORE, take notice that, in default of your appearance, on the day above- mentioned, the matter will be heard and determined in your absence.

Sd/-

(S. TSERING BAPPU)

State Information Commissioner,
APIC, Itanagar.

Memo No. APIC-15/2024 1633

Dated Itanagar, the 26 Sept., 2025

Copy to:

1. The Chief Engineer (PHE and WS), Central Zone, Govt. of A.P, Itanagar, the First Appellate Authority (FAA) for information and ensuring compliance by the PIO.
2. The PIO, o/o the Executive Engineer (PHE & WS), Yingkiong Division, Upper Siang District, (A.P) for information and compliance.
3. Shri Tania June & Issac Ejing, E-Sector, Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh, 791110 Mobile No. 8131848230 for information.
4. The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the Website of APIC, please.
5. Office copy.
6. S/Copy.

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