



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION ITANAGAR.

**An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005
Case No. APIC- 585/2025.
(Summon to appear in person)
(Or.5 R.3 of CPC)**

APPELLANT : Shri Tap Sajan, E-Sector Naharlagun.

RESPONDENT : The PIO, o/o the Member Secretary, A.P Bio-Diversity Board, Deptt. of Environment & Forest, SFRI Chimpoo, Itanagar.

ORDER/SUMMON

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Tap Sajan for non-furnishing of 7(seven) point information on implementation of Butterfly Park in Pakke Forest Division, Namdapha Forest Division and Ziro Forest Division by the PIO, o/o the Member Secretaries, A.P Bio-Diversity Board, Deptt. of Environment & Forest, SFRI Chimpoo, Itanagar, Govt. of A.P as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 06.02.25.

This appeal was heard on 22.10.2025 when this Commission, after hearing the appellant, Shri Tap Sajan and Shri Ngilyang Tangu, Office Asstt. o/o the Member Secretary, AP Bio-Diversity Board, SFRI representing the PIO with some of the requested documents, directed the PIO to collect and furnish the following left out information/documents to the appellant:

- a) Names of the firms who participated in the tender process or through work orders (Sl.No.2);
- b) Colour photograph in respect of the Namdapha Forest Division (Sl.No.6) and
- c) Number of events celebrated till date (Sl.No.7)

The PIO was directed to furnish the left out document as above with proper seal and CTC and page marking separately for the 3 Divisions of Ziro, Pakke and Namdapha within 2 (two) weeks i.e on or before 4th November, 2025.

The appellant, however, informed vide his letter dt.06.11.2025, that in compliance with this Commission's order dt.22.10.2025, the PIO had furnished some documents but the following information/documents have still not been furnished by the PIO:

“Namdapha Butterfly Park, DPR, photographs of work undertaken, participating firms or work order.”

The PIO was, therefore, directed to furnish the left out information / documents to the appellant while making it clear that if the o/o PIO does not hold the left out information, he shall furnish a declaration to that effect *by way of an affidavit in terms of section-18(3)(c) of the RTI Act and under rule- 5(vi) of the AP Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005*. The PIO was, thus, directed to comply with the said direction and report compliance thereof on 03.12.2025, the next date of hearing.

Today the PIO is, however, absent without any intimation nor did he depute any representative. Such kind of response amounts to disrespect to this Commission and the RTI regime attracting the penal provisions of the Act.

Heard the appellant who produced the documents furnished by the PIO on 04.11.2025. The appellant complained that the PIO did not furnish the names of the firms who participated in the tender process or whom the work orders were issued in respect of the projects in all 3(three) locations (Sl.No.2 of RTI application), the photographs of entire project in respect of Namdapha (Sl.No.6) and number of events celebrated till date in respect of all 3(three) locations. The appellant also complained that the PIO, though, has furnished the photographs of the gate, trail walking path and some other areas but has not furnished the colour photographs of other items such as pond, water whole development stream, way side amenities, poly house for raising host plants etc. in respect of the project undertaken at Namdapha.

This Commission perused the documents furnished by the PIO to the appellant on 04.11.2025 whereupon it is noticed that the appellant has not, indeed, been furnished the requested documents fully which ought to have been furnished as none of those information / documents sought for are exempted under the RTI Act.

In view of above, the PIO is directed to furnish the left out information to the appellant so as not to constrain this Commission to initiate penal action under section 20 of the RTI Act, 2005. It is again made clear that if the left out information are not in the records of the PIO's office, the PIO shall furnish an affidavit to that effect as required under *section-18(3)(c) of the RTI Act and under rule- 5(vi) of the AP Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005*.

The PIO shall comply with the above direction in right earnest and report compliance thereof on **28th January, 2026** failing which penal action prescribed under section 20 of the RTI Act shall be initiated against him.

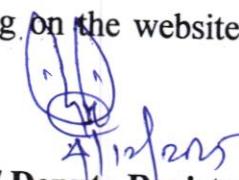
NOW THEREFORE, you are hereby summoned to appear in person in the Hon'ble Court of Shri Sangyal Tsering Bappu, **SIC on the 28th January (Wednesday) at 10.30 m** to answer the claims, and you are directed to produce on that day all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your claims/defense.

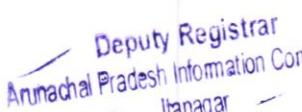
Take notice that, in default of your appearance, on the day above-mentioned, the matter will be heard and determined in your absence.

Sd/-
(S. TSERING BAPPU)
State Information Commissioner,
APIC, Itanagar.

Copy to:

1. The PIO, o/o the Member Secretaries, A.P Bio-Diversity Board, Deptt. of Environment & Forest, SFRI Chimpur, Govt. of A.P (Pin code-791111) for information and compliance.
2. Shri Tap Sajan, E-Sector, Naharlagun, PO/PS- Naharlagun, Pin code-791110 Phone No. 8729902044 for information.
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