



**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, APIC  
ITANAGAR**

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005.  
Vide Case No. APIC-321/2025  
(Summon to appear in person)

(Or. 5, R.3 of CPC)

Shri Bagemso Mitti -V/S- PIO-Cum-DFO, Tezu Lohit District

To,

The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Tezu Forest Division,  
Lohit, District, A.P.

**SUMMON**

**WHEREAS**, in connection with the **APIC-No. 321/2025**, your personal appearance is required before the Commission on **22<sup>nd</sup> JANUARY 2026 at 10:30 AM**. The 1<sup>st</sup> hearing held on **25<sup>th</sup> September, 2025**. The Appellant Shri Bagemso Mitti is present through online mode during the hearing before the Commission.

The PIO-cum-Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Tezu, Lohit District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh is absent during the hearing without intimating to the Commission, the reason for his inability to attend the hearing, which is unbecoming on the part of the PIO, who has to be reminded that, the PIO also has a mandatory duty to attend to statutory duties besides public duties, when an appeal is preferred against him/her.

Whereas the PIO-cum-DFO, Tezu, Lohit District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh was notified for today's hearing on 12.06.2025 itself but despite the notice sent to the DFO through WT Message also on 12.06.2025 through the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Lohit District, the PIO found absent.

The failure of the DFO to attend today's hearing is viewed seriously by the Commission.

Heard the Appellant;

The Appellant submitted that he has filed the RTI application in Form-A to the PIO, but the PIO did not furnish any information to him and therefore, he filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA).

After hearing both the parties the FAA has passed a judgment on **07.01.2025** ordering the DFO to provide the information(s) as sought by the Appellant.

Despite the order from the FAA the information(s) have not been provided to the Appellant, that is why he has filed this 2<sup>nd</sup> Appeal for which the first hearing is held today.

The PIO-cum-DFO is not present in the hearing the Commission could not ascertain from the PIO the reasons why the information(s) have not yet been provided to the Appellant.

As the procedural laws gives fair opportunity for being heard it's imperative upon this court to hear the submission of the PIO-cum-DFO, Tezu, Lohit District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, before pronouncing any judgment.

And therefore, the Commission hereby orders;

- i) To send summons to the PIO-cum-DFO, Tezu, Lohit District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh to be present in the 2<sup>nd</sup> hearing without fail and failing which necessary action as provided under RTI, Act, 2005 will be initiated against the PIO-cum-DFO.
- ii) The Appellant to be present in the next date of hearing without fail, failing which this instant appeal will be heard and determined ex-parte.
- iii) Notice need not be issued to the Appellant as he is present during the hearing before the Commission.

**The Commission hereby orders;**

**The next date of hearing be fixed on 22<sup>nd</sup> January' 2026' at 10:30 AM (Morning).**

**N.B:-** To avail online hearing, please notify or get in touch one day prior to the hearing, download **"WEBEX MEETING APP"** from Google Play store. For further technical assistance may contact **Shri Himanshu Verma, IT Consultant (Mobile no. 8319014957).**

**It is so ordered this 25<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025 at 4:30 PM.**

Sd/-

(Vijay Taram)  
State Information Commissioner  
APIC, Itanagar.

**Memo. No. APIC-321/2025 / 959 Dated Itanagar, the... 7. October, 2025**

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