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RIGHT TO INFORMATION

ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005
Case No. APIC- 582/2026.

APPELLANT : Shri Dope Ori, DaathVill. Jollang, Itanagar.

RESPONDENT : The PIO, o/o the Director, Directorate of Agriculture, Naharlagun,

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Dope Ori for non-furnishing of below mentioned information by the PIO, o/o the Director, Directorate of Agriculture Naharlagun as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 06.03.2026.

A. Particulars of information: the post right from Contingency to Group-A staff in the Department Agriculture (Since 2018-2025).

B. Details of information required:

1. Furnish a copy of the total number of appointment along with the name of the post right from contingency to Group A staff in your department since 2018 to till date.
2. Furnish a copy of the name list of the staffs right from contingency to Group A staff in your department who have been appointed or inducted since 2018 to till date.
3. Furnish a copy of the details and the nature of appointments (advertisement/promotion/direct appointments) to all the staffs right from contingency to Group A staff in your department since 2018 to till date.
4. Furnish a copy of the appointment orders of all the staffs right from contingency to Group A staff in your department since 2018 to till date.
5. Furnish a copy of the posting places of all the staffs (right from contingency to Group A staffs) who have been appointed by your department since 2018 to till date.
6. Furnish a copy of the details of the qualification of all the appointed staffs (right from contingency to Group A staffs) who have been appointed by your department since 2018 to till date.
7. Furnish all the documents with proper CTC in each page.

C. Period for which information is required: regarding as per information sought.

Brief facts emerging from the appeal:

Records emerging from the appeal disclose that the Appellant, Shri Dope Ori had requested the PIO for the aforementioned information / documents in response whereof the District Agriculture Officer (Estt.), Directorate of Agriculture Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, vide letter dt. 06.04.26 (as reproduced hereunder) furnished the information to the Public Information Officer, Directorate of Agriculture Naharlagun as under:

"To,

The Public Information Officer
Directorate of Agriculture Naharlagun.

SUBJECT: FURNISHING REPLY OF RTI.
Sir,

With reference to your letter No.Agri/RT1-01/2025-26/783 Dated, Naharlagun the 10th March, 2026; I am furnishing below the information as sought by Shri Dope Ori, Advocate, Daath Village, Jollang, Itanagar, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh.

PARTICULARS OF INFORMATIOY

Sl No	*PARTICULARS*	*REMARKS*
1	*The Post right from Contingency to Group- A Staff in the Department Agriculture (Since 2018 to 2025):-* *Furnish a copy of the name list of the staffs*	*Enclosed at Page No. 01 to 298*
2	*Furnish a copy of the total number of appointments along with the name of the post.*	*Enclosed at Page No:-* *Group-A - 01-09* *Group-C - 10-114* *AFA Sr & Jr. - 115-127* *Driver, Handyman-128-241* *MTS – 242-273* *Contingency - 274-298*
3	*Furnish a copy of the nature of appointment Advertisement/Promotion/Direct Appointments) to all the staffs.*	*Enclosed at Page No. 01 to 298*
4	*Furnish a copy of the appointment orders of all the Staffs*	*Enclosed at Page No. 01 to 298*
5	*Furnish a copy of the posting places of all the Staffs*	*Enclosed at Page No. 01 to 298*
6	*Furnish a copy of the details of the qualification of all the appointed staff's*	*Not permissible under RTI Act: 8 (1) b, d, e, g and J)*

Sd/-
(Bucha Riamuk)
District Agriculture Officer (Estt.)
for Directorate of Agriculture
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh."

The appellant, apparently, dissatisfied with the information furnished by the PIO as above, preferred his second appeal under Section 19 (3) before this Commission vide memo of appeal dt. 10.08.2026 on the ground that the incomplete information has been furnished by the PIO.

This appeal is, accordingly, listed today on 9th Oct. 2026 wherein the PIO, Shri Rukdam Jeram, Dy. Director was present in person but the appellant did not appear, who, however, informed, vide letter dt.09.10.2026 that due demise of his grandmother, he will not be able to attend the hearing.

Records in the appeal, however, reveal that the Director (Agriculture), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, the FAA did not adjudicate on the appeal filed under section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005.

The First Appellate Authority, under the RTI regime, is a quasi-judicial authority under section 19 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 and as such he is required to hold hearing giving adequate opportunity to both the appellant and the respondent PIO and after applying his mind to the case / going into the aspect as to whether the information/documents requested by the appellants are disclosable or are exempted under the relevant provisions of section 8 or 9 of the RTI Act, pass a reasoned and speaking order. Since, the FAA did not discharge his mandated duties as above, this appeal is a fit case to be remanded to the Director (Agriculture), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Naharlagun, the FAA for adjudication.

Accordingly, this appeal is remanded to the Director (Agriculture), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Naharlagun, the FAA for adjudication and passing an appropriate order in speaking form within 1 (one) month from the date of receipt of this order. The PIO and the appellants are directed to appear in the hearing, when called for by the FAA.

This Commission also concludes that the appellant, if aggrieved by the decision of the FAA, may prefer his 2nd appeal before this Commission under section 19 (3) of the RTI Act within 90 (ninety) days from the date of the FAA's order for which no fees need be paid to this Commission.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 9th Oct., 2026.

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

Memo No. APIC-582/2026 1912 **Dated Itanagar, the** 13 **Oct., 2026**

Copy to:

1. The Director, Directorate of Agriculture Naharlagun, Papum Pare District, the First Appellate Authority (FAA) for information and compliance.
2. The PIO, o/o the Director, Directorate of Agriculture Naharlagun, Papum Pare District PIN: 791110 for information and compliance.
3. Shri Dope Ori, Daath Vill. Jollang, Itanagar PIN: 791113 Mobile NO. 7629829076 for information and compliance.
4. The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the website of APIC, please.
5. Office Copy.
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APIC, Itanagar.

Deputy Registrar
Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission
Itanagar