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ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION (APIC)
ITANAGAR

File No. APIC-No.725/A/2026 (Appeal)

Shri Chou Chali Simit
Vill- Manfaiseng, P.O- Nanam Shyam
Namsai District AP
(M) 8119978818
Pin-792103 — Appellant

V/s

The FAA-cum-Chief Engineer (CE) PHE & WSD
Eastern Zone, Namsai District AP
Pin:- 792103 — FAA-Respondent- 1

The PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, PHE & WSD
Namsai, Namsai District AP
Pin-792103 — PIO-Respondent- 2

Date of Order-02.11.2026 — ORDER

Information Commissioner : Dani Gamboo

Dated-15.06.2026 : RTI application filed to PIO
Dated-22.07.2026 : First appeal filed to FAA
Dated-16.10.2026 : Appeal filed to commission
Dated-27.10.2026 : Appeal received in IC's Cell

The Commission after adverting to the facts and circumstances of the case, and perusal of the records, observes that the FAA has not disposed of the first appeal filed to him. It is incumbent upon the FAA to follow statutory procedure laid down in the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005.

As laid down at para-38 of the Guidelines for the FAA issued by the GoI and the State Govt. OM No. AR-111/2008 Dated 21st August, 2008, adjudication on the appeals under RTI Act is a quasi-judicial function. It is, therefore, necessary that the Appellate Authority should see to it that the justice is not only done but it should also appear to have been done. In order to do so, the order passed by the appellate authority should be a speaking order giving justification for the decision arrived at.

Therefore, the instant appeal case is remanded to FAA for adjudication of first appeal filed to him. **The Chief Engineer (CE) PHF & WSD Eastern Zone, Namsai-cum-First Appellate Authority (FAA)**, following the principle of natural justice, shall conduct hearing giving fair and equal opportunity to both the appellant and the PIO and thereafter pass reasoned and speaking order on merit within three weeks from the date of receipt of this order i.e. on or before **30.11.2026** **Failure to comply this order, the FAA shall liable to attend this commission court on summon**. Enclosed a copy of first appeal FAA & RTI application in form A to PIO.

The case will be resume in case:

1. The Appellant is not satisfied with the information furnished to him by PIO based on the judgement order passed by the FAA.
2. The FAA has denied the requested information based on specific exemptions/ grounds provided under the RTI Act, 2005.

Sd/- (Dani Gamboo)
Information Commissioner

Memo No. APIC-725/A/2026/ 1197 — Dated Itanagar the 3rd Nov.' 2026

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