



Date: 26.08.2025.

To,
The Director General of Police
Arunachal Pradesh.

Subject:

Order for Disciplinary Action against the Officer-In-Charge, Koloriang Police Station, District Kurung Kumey, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.

Ref:

Section 18(3) and Section 25(5) of the RTI, Act, 2005.

Sir,

I am writing to formally order the initiation of disciplinary action against the Officer-In-Charge, Koloriang Police Station, Kurung Kumey District for failing to execute and return a bailable warrant of arrest as mandated on 01.04.2025 by the court of the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC).

It has come to my attention that despite orders from the court of this Commission and even after passage of a considerable amount of time, some of the Officer-In-Charge (OC) of different Police Station in the State of Arunachal Pradesh do not act upon the warrant issued by this court which has been empowered as Civil Court under Section 18(3) in respect of the following matters namely:-

- (g) Summoning and enforcing the attendance of persons and compel them to give oral or written evidence on oath and produce the documents or things;
- (h) Requiring the discovery and impaction of documents.
- (i) Receiving evidence on affidavit.
- (j) Requisitioning any public record or copies thereof from any court or office.
- (k) Issuing summons for examination of witnesses or documents and;
- (l) Any other matter which may be prescribed.

The negligence not only reflects poorly on the efficiencies of our Law enforcement agencies but also undermines the legal processes that our society is built upon and the very act Right to Information Act 2005 was enacted by the law makers of our country.

The relevant details regarding the instant matter are as follows;

- (4) Warrant order issue date: 01.04.2025.
- (5) Details of the Accused; the PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, PHE & WS, Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.
- (6) Officer to execute and return the warrant: Officer-In-Charge, Koloriang Police Station, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.

In the instant matter against the Officer-In-Charge, Koloriang Police Station: the failure to execute the warrant and return the same to the court of this Commission is a serious matter and could potentially have wider implications to the integrity of the Police force in Arunachal Pradesh. I believe it is crucial to maintain accountability within our ranks and ensure that all officers uphold their duties with diligence.

As mandated by the RTI, Act, 2005 under section 25(5) which states that: "if it appears to the State Information Commission, that the practice of a public authority in relation to the exercise of its functions under this Act does not conform to the provisions or spirit of this act, it may recommend to the authority the steps that ought, in its opinion to be taken to promote such conformity"

Therefore, under the provisions of Section 25(5), RTI, Act, 2005, it is ordered to initiate an inquiry into this matter and take appropriate action against the officer in question to uphold the standards of our Police force.

It is further ordered that a report on the action taken in this regard be submitted to this court within 30 days from the date of this order.

Issued under the seal of this court.

Vijay Taram
State Information Commissioner
APIC, Itanagar.

ORDER

In the 3rd hearing held on **26th August, 2025** related to the **APIC-No-190/R/2024**. The Appellant Shri Pisa Tapam is absent.

The PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, PHE & WS, Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, found 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.

The Commission observes:

The PIO absent for the 3rd consecutive time despite summons issued on 28.01.2025 to be present in the next date of hearing which was on 17.06.2025. The Commission issued Bailable Warrant of Arrest to the PIO-cum-EE, PHE & WS, Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, to secure his presence on 26.08.2025 but, despite issue of Bailable Warrant of Arrest the PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, PHE & WS, Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, is absent today on 26/08/2025 for the 3rd consecutive time.

In the absence of both the parties, **the Commission hereby observes that:**

1. The Officer-In-Charge Koloriang Police Station has not executed the Bailable Warrant of Arrest, as he has not returned the same to the court of the Commission, till now.
2. The copy of the Bailable Warrant of Arrest was also served upon the Superintendent of Police (SP) Kurung Kumey District for compliance, and the same copy was also served upon the Deputy Commissioner (DC) Kurung Kumey District for information and even after all these steps taken by the Commission, neither the PIO has turned up for the hearing nor the execution of the Bailable Warrant of Arrest has been returned to this Commission, by the officer-in-charge (OC) Koloriang Police Station.

And, therefore, observing the above circumstances the Commission hereby orders as follows;

- i) By the provisions under Section 25(5) the Commission finds that the conduct of the Officer-Incharge, Koloriang Police Station and the PIO-cum-EE, PHE & WS, Koloriang Division does not confirm with the provisions of the spirit of the RTI, Act, 2005, and therefore, the Commission recommends to the Director General of Police (DGP) to initiate disciplinary action against the Officer-In-Charge, Koloriang Police Station, Kurung Kumey District, as per the Service Rules of the particular police personnel. And a copy of action taken report (ATR) be intimated to the Commission.
- ii) Under the same provision of Section 25(5) the Commissioner/Secretary, PHE & WS Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh is hereby ordered to initiate disciplinary action as per the Service Rules against the PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, PHE & WS, Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, for disobeying the orders of the court of Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC).

- iii) The Director General of Police (DGP) is hereby ordered to return a copy of the action taken report against the Officer-In-Charge, Koloriang Police Station, Kurung Kumey District, to the APIC, as early as before the next date of hearing.
- iv) The Commissioner/Secretary, PHE & WS, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh is hereby ordered to return a copy of action taken report against the PIO-cum-EE, PHE & WS, Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, before the next date of hearing.
- v) Send summons to the Appellant Shri Pisa Tapam to be present in the next date of hearing without fail, failing which this instant appeal will be heard and determined ex-parte.

The Commission ordered;

The next date of hearing be fixed on 4th December' 2025 at 10:30 AM (Morning)

N.B:- To avail online hearing please at least 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 26th day of August 2025 at 4:00 PM.

Sd

Vijay Taram

State Information Commissioner

APIC, Itanagar.

Memo No. APIC-190/R/2024

Dated Itanagar the 10th September 2025

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