



**GOVERNMENT OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FOREST
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS & CLIMATE CHANGE
SOUTHERN ARUNACHAL CIRCLE :: DEOMALI**

ORDER

Whereas Shri Ngwazosa Yobin (hereafter will be referred as appellant) had filed first appeal dated 07.04.2025 and submitted to the Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Itanagar for non-furnishing of required information against Public Information Officer-cum-Divisional Forest Officer Nampong Forest Division in connection with his RTI application dtd. 05.03.2025 regarding allocation of industrial land to saw mills and other details of information required from 2023-25.

And whereas, the first appeal dated 07.04.2025 of the appellant was forwarded to this office by PIO, Industry Branch of PCCF's office vide their letter No.FOR.204/IND/2022/13,959-60 dtd. 08.05.2025.

And whereas, on receipt of the said first appeal, a hearing notice was issued thereby fixing the hearing on 19.06.2025 in the O/o First Appellate Authority-cum-Chief Conservator of Forests, SAC, Deomali and informed the appellant and the respondent PIO for attendance vide this office Memo No. SAC/RTI-III/56/2024/12-15 dtd.21.05.2025.

And whereas, on 19.06.2025 the following members attended the RTI hearing in the Office of the First Appellate Authority-Cum-Chief Conservator of Forests, Deomali.

1. Shri C. Simai, First Appellate Authority –cum- CCF, Deomali
2. Shri Lichi Karlo, RFO authorised representative of respondent, PIO-cum-Divisional Forests Officer, Nampong Forest Division
3. Shri Ngwazosa Yobin, appellant

And whereas the FAA went through all the 8 points of particulars of information sought by the appellant. The appellant was heard. He stated that due to non-response to his RTI application dated 07.04.2025, the First Appeal was filed for not furnishing of required information and sought for reasons thereof.

And whereas, the respondent stated that since the information sought was from the year 2023-25, which is voluminous and the appellant was not specific whether the information sought was for a particular location or the entire jurisdiction under DFO Nampong. Hence, the PIO-cum-DFO while referring to the Minutes of meeting of APIC Memo No. CIC/09/2016/103 dtd.08.05.2024, had written a letter to the appellant vide No.NFD/02/HA/2021/7223 dtd.19.03.2025, requesting him to specify the particular year / scheme for which the information is sought. The PIO-cum-DFO in the mentioned letter had also stated that the information will be furnished as soon as a reply / clarification is received from the appellant.

However, the appellant stated that PIO's letter No. NFD/02/HA/2021/7223 dtd.19.03.2025 was not delivered to him. He added that a period of 3 months has lapsed since the date of filing the application. Regarding this, the FAA reiterated that if the information sought was not furnished to the appellant within the stipulated time period, the appellant should have approached the FAA, as per rule and guidelines of RTI Act. Rather, the appellant filed the first appeal to the PCCF, Itanagar which was later forwarded to the FAA by the PIO of PCCF's office which further led to undue consumption of time.

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And whereas, the appellant has sought for information regarding total no. of operating saw mills located at Miao sub-division, the FAA stated that there are only two Industrial Estates under Changlang district i.e, Namphai and Jairampur and asked the appellant to specify the particular Industrial Estate for which the information is sought.

Therefore, after hearing both the appellant and the respondent and after thorough consideration of the case, and in compliance to Minutes of meeting of APIC Memo No. CIC/09/2016/103 dtd.08.05.2024 the FAA has summarised his judgement that the appellant may file fresh RTI application if he desires, mentioning the exact location and specific single year rather than multiple years and vague information. However, if the appellant is not satisfied with the verdict of the FAA, he may approach the Second Appellate Authority. The said appeal accordingly stands disposed of.

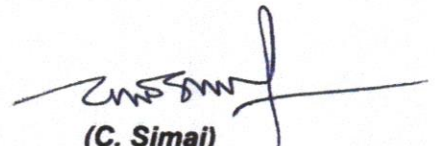
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(C. Simai)
FAA -cum - CCF
SAC, Deomali

Memo No. SAC/RTI-III/56/2024/ 50-53

Dated: Deomali, the 19th June, 2025

Copy to:

1. Shri Ngwazosa Yobin, Contact No.8732046045, Miao, District - Changlang, Arunachal Pradesh for information.
2. The PIO -cum- Divisional Forest Officer, Nampong Forest Division for information.
3. The PIO, Industry Branch, O/o Pr. Chief Conservator of Forests & HoFF, Deptt. Of EF & CC, Itanagar for information.
4. The Chief Information Commissioner, Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission, Itanagar, for kind information.


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