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ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005
Case No. APIC-435 / 2024.

APPELLANT : Shri IjipTasoVillageTorajon, under Kangku Circle, PO/PS
Liklhabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh.

RESPONDENT : The PIO, o/o the Registrar HimalayanUniversity Jollang,
Itanagar Arunachal Pradesh.

ORDER/SUMMON

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Ijip Taso,Village Torajon, under Kangku Circle, PO/PS Liklhabali for denial of below-mentioned information by the PIO, o/o the Registrar, Himalayan University, Jollang, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 16.09.2024

Details of information required :

1. Furnish the name with proper designation of all the teaching and non teaching staffs (including administrators) of the Himalayan University.
2. Furnish total number of department with supporting documents like affiliation, Recognition from Bar Council, Nursing Council, RCI etc.
3. Furnish the details of salary in Figure and pay scale of every faculty.
4. Furnish the total number of Professors, their appointment order(s), Salary statement with name of the department of the Professors.
5. Furnish the total number of Associate Professors, their appointment order(s), Salary statement with name of the department.
6. Furnish the total number of scholars with their name and the name of their Guide / Supervisors with designation / status of the guide / Supervisor as he/she is Professor, associate Professor and Asst. professor in the department of Law and Economics.
7. Furnish the appointment letter of all the Professors and Associate Professors of your University.
8. Furnish the Name and the personal designation of the Board of Management as per "The Himalayan University, Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh) Act 2012". (Act No. 6 of 2013) (Received the assent of the Governor on 8th May, 2013 and Published in the Arunachal Pradesh E.O. Gazette No. 83, Vol – XX dated 14th May, 2013.
9. Furnish the name and qualification of the Statutes of the Himalayan University which has been made by the Board of Management and the same has to be approved by the State Government (Cabinet) as per Himalayan University, Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh) Act-2012.
10. Furnish the total number of existing Laboratory and also furnish the list of equipments available in the said laboratory.
11. Furnish the name of the persons/awardees that had been completed Ph.D From Himalayan University with their Enrolment No. and name of the department in all the existing department of the Himalayan University since its establishment to till date.

12. Furnish the letter and all the supporting documents submitted to UGC & AJU for reorganization and affiliation Under Section 2F and 12 Bof the UGC Act, 1956.
13. Furnish the name, qualification and appointment letter of the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, Joint Registrar, Deputy Registrar, Assistant Registrar and Dean of the Himalayan University.
14. Furnish the name and qualification with appointment order (s) of the Examination Controller, Deputy Examination Controller and Asstt. Examination Controller of the Himalayan University.
15. Furnish the total number of enrollment with enrolment number and name of the students enrolled in the year 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 in the department of Special B.Ed (Bachelor of Education) and to furnish affiliation letter rehabilitation Council of India (RCI)
16. As per the UGC guideline, each University must have a proper and hygienic canteen within their campus. Hence, furnish the name and photo of the person(s) and staffs who run the canteen and coloring photo of University canteen as per UGC guidelines.
17. Furnish the Reading material as given below :

Reading Materials	Information Required
1.Daily News Paper Hindi / English	1.Total Number of Daily News Paper with the name of daily news paper in Hindi/English
2. Weekly Magazine	2.Total number of weekly magazine with name of the weekly magazine.
3.Fortnightly Magazine	3. Total number of Fortnight Magazine with the name of Fortnight Magazine
4.Monthly Magazine	4.. Total number of Monthly Magazine with the name of the Monthly Magazine
5.Quarterly Magazine	5. Total number of Quarterly Magazine with the name of the Quarterly Magazine

18. Furnish all the documents with proper CTC in each page.
19. Furnish and reply Acknowledgement letter to the applicant through register post as per above mentioned address.

Facts emerging from the appeal:

Records reveal that the Appellant did not receive the information sought by him from the PIO in view of which he approached the F.A.A, the Registrar-Cum-First Appellate Authority, Himalayan University, Jollang, Itanagar, AP under section 19(1) of the RTI Act vide Memo of Appeal dated 28.10.24.

Having failed yet again to obtain the information, the Appellant preferred this second appeal before this Commission vide Memo of Appeal dated 06.12.24 under section 19(3) of the RTI Act.

This appeal was, accordingly, listed on 07.03.2025 when this Commission noticed that the F.A.A did not adjudicate on this appeal as mandated under Section 19(1) of RTI Act, 2005.

This appeal was, accordingly, remanded to the F.A.A, the Registrar, Himalayan University, Jollang, Itanagar for adjudication within **4(four) weeks** from the date of receipt of this order dt.11.03.2025 and with liberty to the Appellant to prefer second appeal before this Commission under section 19 (3) of the RTI Act, if he is aggrieved/ dissatisfied with the order passed by the F.A.A, or with the information furnished by the PIO, as the case may be, for which no fee need be paid.

This Commission is now in receipt of a letter dated 10th Sept, 2025 from the appellant, Shri Ijip Taso intimating that he is not satisfied with the information/replies furnished by the FAA vide letter dt. 21.04.2025 which is reproduced hereunder:

"Dear Sir,

This is in reference to your First Appeal submitted under Section 19(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005, against the response provided by the Public information Officer (PIO) vide letter dated 28.10.2024, concerning your RTI application seeking various details related to Himalayan University. Upon a thorough examination of your RTI application, the grounds raised in your First Appeal, and the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, the following observations and decisions are made.

A. information Related to University Approvals and Statutory Authorities.

You have sought information regarding (refer to Para Nos. 2, 8, 9,13, 15 and 17):

- The designation of the Board of Management,*
 - Names and qualifications of statutory authorities,*
 - Affiliations from various regulatory bodies*
 - Establishment and government approvals of Himalayan University.*
- in response, since these are matters of public record, relevant documents are already available in the public domain. Nonetheless, for your convenience, copies of the following documents are enclosed as Annexure-A (Colly).*
- The Arunachal Pradesh Gazette Notification No, 434 Vol. XXIII, Naharlagun, dated 24.11.2016;*
 - Permission letter from the Arunachal Pradesh Nursing Council (APNC) for the academic year 2024-2025, dated 16.12.2024;*
 - Approval from the Pharmacy Council of India,*
 - Approval for B.Ed. Special Education (Learning Disability):*
 - Affiliation letter from the Bar Council of India, dated 11.12.2024;*
 - List of the Board of Management of the University,*
 - Number of Existing Laboratories-42,*
 - Magazine-Agriculture Today;*
 - Daily Newspapers - The Arunachal Times, The Times of India, and The Assam Tribune.*
 - Name of officials:*

Chancellor-Sh. P. Subba Rao

Vice Chancellor -Prof, Venugopal Rao

Registrar-Sh. Vijay Kumar Tripathi

Joint Registrar-Sh. Dilip Jain

Deputy Registrar - Mr. Kido Bagra

Assistant Registrar-Mr. Prabh Mohan Singh

Dean-Prof Debaprasad Dev

Examination Controller (In Charge) - Dr. Tahir Khan

B. Information Exempt Under Section 8(1)(j).

The remaining part of your application requests specific details such as:

- *Salary, educational qualifications, degrees, and marks obtained by faculty members and students,*
- *Personal and academic records of enrolled students.*

Please note that this information falls under "third-party personal information", which is exempted from disclosure under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005:

"Information which relates to personal information the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest, or which would cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual, cannot be disclosed unless the PIO or Appellate Authority is satisfied that the larger public interest justifies the disclosure"

As no larger public interest has been demonstrated in your application, and you also did not apprise anything during your personal hearing to establish that the requested information is required in the public interest, the denial of access to this information by the PIO is justified and in accordance with the law.

After due consideration of all relevant facts, legal provisions and the PIOs response, the following conclusion is drawn :

- *The information concerning the legal status and affiliations of the university has been adequately addressed and provided;*
- *The remaining information sought is exempt under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005*

Accordingly, the First Appeal is hereby disposed of and dismissed, upholding the decision of the PIO. If you are not satisfied with this decision, you may prefer a Second Appeal under Section 19(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 before the Central or State Information Commission, as applicable, within the prescribed timeframe.

Yours sincerely

Shri Vijay K. Tripathi,

First Appellate Authority

Himalayan University"

In view of the appellant's complaint as aforesaid, this Commission deems it appropriate to hear this appeal again, particularly, the appellant to find out as to the specific point or points on which he is not satisfied.

Accordingly, the PIO, o/o the Registrar Himalayan University Jollang, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh is summoned to appear in person in the Hon'ble Court of Shri Sangyal Tsering Bappu, SIC in person on the **24th October, 2025 (FRIDAY) at 2 PM** to answer the claims, and you are directed to produce on that day all the documents upon which you intend to rely in support of your claims/defense.

The appellant shall also be present in person with the specific point/points on which he is not satisfied so that the PIO could be directed to furnish the points satisfactorily and in complete form.

NOW THEREFORE, take notice that, in default of your appearance, on the day above- mentioned, the matter will be heard and determined in your absence.

Sd/-

(S. TSERING BAPPU)

State Information Commissioner,
APIC, Itanagar.

Memo No. APIC- 435/2024 1646 Dated Itanagar, the 23 Sept March, 2025

Copy to:

1. The Registrar, Himalayan University Jollang, Itanagar, AP the First Appellate Authority(FAA) for ensuring compliance by the PIO information and compliance.
2. The PIO, the Deputy Registrar Himalayan University Jollang, Itanagar Arunachal Pradesh for information and compliance.
3. Shri Ijip Taso Village Torajon, under Kangku Circle, PO/PS Likhabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, Mobile No. 7002073570 for information and further follow-up action.
4. The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the Website of APIC, please.
5. Office copy.
6. S/Copy.

P. Rangis/09/25
Registrar/ Deputy Registrar
APIC, Itanagar

Deputy Registrar
Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission
Itanagar