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P R E F A C E

I have great pleasure in presenting the Annual Report of the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) for the year under review. The report is placed before the Hon'ble Governor and the Cabinet Committee in compliance with the mandate of RTI Act, and seeks to provide a transparent account of the Commission's functions, performance and key initiatives undertaken to strengthen the regime of openness and accountability in the State.

The Right to Information remains a cornerstone of good governance, empowering citizens to participate meaningfully in public life while ensuring other public authorities discharge their duties with responsibility and integrity. During the year, we endeavoured to ensure timely and effective disposal of appeals and complaints, adherence to statutory timelines and consistent application of the law, while remaining sensitive to the unique administrative and geographical constraints of the State.

Efforts were also directed towards capacity building and awareness, with the objective of improving compliance by public authorities and enhancing citizens' understanding of their rights and obligations under the Act. To that extent, the Awareness Workshops conducted from time to time at district levels have certainly been fruitful.

It would also be pertinent to share a few statistics with regard to the performance of the APIC, during the last two years.

- (a) Arunachal has the highest number of Appeals and Complaints amongst all the North Eastern states as per data compiled for 2024-25 (Assam-728, Arunachal 761, Manipur-185, Meghalaya-91, Mizoram-76, Tripura-58, Sikkim-33, and Nagaland-26).
- (b) Average Annual Disposal of Appeals and Complaints in respect of Arunachal has risen to 240 by each Information Commissioner as compared to 150 in the previous year.
- (c) Pendency of cases has reduced from 1190 to 450 during the reporting year.
- (d) Arunachal has one of the higher numbers amongst all the states, comparatively, in issuance of Show Cause Notices to errant PIOs.
- (e) Even in terms of penalty imposed, Arunachal Pradesh has the highest collection amongst the North Eastern States (> 4 Lakhs).

It may be noted that Arunachal Pradesh has one of the highest number of appeals/ complaints in the country on a pro rata basis. This necessarily may not be because of greater awareness amongst the citizens, but could be as a result of uncontrolled proliferation of RTI cases due to a lack of understanding of the true meaning of 'public interest'. There is, therefore, a definite need to educate the citizens on the provisions of RTI Act 2005 as also make them understand the significance of the term 'public interest' in its entirety. At the same time, the PIOs need to be more proactive in responding to the information seekers and adhere to the time lines as specified in the RTI Act. They also need to undertake 'suo moto disclosure' of information 'ab initio' to preclude unwarranted queries from information seekers.

It is my earnest hope that this Annual Report will serve as a useful reference for policy makers, administrators and citizens alike and will contribute to the continued strengthening of transparent, accountable and citizen-centric governance in the State.

We are truly grateful to the Hon'ble Governor of Arunachal Pradesh for his continued support and guidance to APIC. And of course, we are indebted to Government of Arunachal Pradesh for the unstinted financial and moral support being extended to the Commission.



Major General Jarken Gamlin,
AVSM, SM, VSM (Retired),
State Chief Information Commissioner,
Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission.

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(1) Introduction

The Right to Information Act, 2005 is a pivotal piece of legislation that has reshaped the dynamics between citizens and the State. This law empowers every individual to hold governmental entities accountable on a daily basis. It envisions the ordinary citizen as an active contributor to nation-building by granting them the right to engage in the governance process through the exercise of the Right to Information Act.

It has been more than 21 years since the RTI Act has been in operation in the state of Arunachal Pradesh. A key strength of the Act pertains to administrative and adjudicative autonomy of the Information Commission.

The Right to Information Act, 2005 came into force in Arunachal Pradesh along with the rest of the country on 12th October, 2005 after 120 days of its enactment. As per the provisions of this Act, State Public Information Officers (SPIO) and Assistant Public Information Officers (APIO) were appointed by the Government of Arunachal Pradesh under separate notifications.

The Right to Information Act, 2005 has not only empowered the citizens of Arunachal Pradesh but also redefined their role in governance. The establishment and effective functioning of the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) stand as a testament to the state's commitment to transparency and accountability. The recognition of APIC as the best Information Commission in India in 2009 underscores the significant impact of the Act in promoting good governance. As we reflect on more than 21 years of the RTI Act's implementation in Arunachal Pradesh, it is clear that the legislation has fostered a more engaged and informed citizenry, laying a robust foundation for participatory democracy and nation-building. As we present the APIC Annual Report for 2025-26, we reflect on over 21 years of implementing the RTI Act in Arunachal Pradesh, reinforcing our commitment to transparency, accountability and the active participation of citizens in governance.

(2) List of former and present State Chief Information Commissioners and State Information Commissioners in the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission

Name	Position	Appointment Date	Date of Oath taking	Date of Remittance of Office	Reason for Demission
Shri Nyodek Yonggam	State Chief Information Commissioner	20-10-2006	20-10-2006	28-02-2011	Completion of 5-year tenure
Shri Y.D. Thongchi, IAS (Rtd.)	State Chief Information Commissioner	01-03-2011	01-03-2011	06-10-2015	Attaining age of 65 (Section 16 (2) RTI Act 2005)
Shri Matheim Linggi	State Information Commissioner	02-01-2014	08-01-2014	07-01-2019	Completion of 5-year tenure
Smti Nanom Jamoh	State Information Commissioner	02-01-2014	08-01-2014	07-01-2019	Completion of 5-year tenure
Shri Eken Riba	State Information Commissioner	02-01-2014	08-01-2014	27-07-2016	Attaining age of 65 (Section 16 (2) RTI Act 2005)
Shri Abraham K. Tech	State Information Commissioner	02-01-2014	08-01-2014	07-01-2019	Completion of 5-year tenure
Dr. Joram Begi	State Chief Information Commissioner	28-06-2016	10-07-2016	28-06-2021	Completion of 5-year tenure
Shri Goto Ete	State Information Commissioner	07-05-2018	16-06-2018	16-06-2023	Completion of 3-year Tenure
Shri Leki Phuntso	State Information Commissioner	04-06-2019	26-07-2019	08-04-2020	Attaining age of 65 (Section 16(2) RTI Act 2005)
Shri Rinchen Dorjee	State Chief Information Commissioner	12-08-2021	13-08-2021	12-08-2024	Completion of 3-year tenure
Shri Genom Tekseng	State Information Commissioner	03-02-2021	04-02-2021	04-02-2024	Completion of 3-year tenure
Km. Sonam Yudron	State Information Commissioner	03-02-2021	04-02-2021	04-02-2024	Completion of 3-year tenure
Shri Gumjum Haider	State Information Commissioner	03-02-2021	04-02-2021	04-02-2024	Completion of 3-year tenure
Shri Khopey Thaley	State Information Commissioner	27-02-2024	04-03-2024	Present	-

Shri Vijay Taram	State Information Commissioner	27-02-2024	04-03-2024	Present	-
Shri Dani Gamboo	State Information Commissioner	27-02-2024	04-03-2024	Present	-
Shri Sangyal Tsering Bappu	State Information Commissioner	27-02-2024	04-03-2024	Present	-
Major General Jarken Gamlin, AVSM, SM, VSM (Rtd.)	State Chief Information Commissioner	31-08-2024	02-09-2024	Present	-

(3) Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission, 2025-26

Sl. No.	Name and Designation	Contact Number
1	Major General Jarken Gamlin AVSM, SM, VSM (Retd), State Chief Information Commissioner	9717393958 (Mobile) 0360-2213952 (O)
2	Shri Khopey Thaley State Information Commissioner	8413067182 (Mobile)
3	Shri Dani Gamboo State Information Commissioner	8415930845 (Mobile)
4	Shri Sangyal Tsering Bappu State Information Commissioner	9436050240 (Mobile)
5	Shri Vijay Taram State Information Commissioner	8974009696 (Mobile)

(4) REGISTRY

Sl. No	Name and Designation	Contact Number
1	Smti Maman Padung, APCS, Registrar (From 02.12.2024 to 31.01.2026)	-
2	Shri Sode Potom, APCS, Registrar (From 03.03.2026 till date)	8131917796 (Mobile)
3	Smti Priscilla Tayeng, APCS, Deputy Registrar (From 01-04-2025)	9436050532 (Mobile)
4	Shri Jacob Lego, Finance & Accounts Officer (From 11-12-2020 till date)	9436041001 (Mobile)
5	Shri Rintu Saikia Legal Counsel of the APIC	9436041570 (Mobile)

(5) Activities undertaken and meeting participation by the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission in the year, 2025-26

(i) Participation in the 32nd Board of Governors and 14th Annual General Body Meeting of NFICI

The Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) participated in the 32nd Board of Governors Meeting and the 14th Annual General Body Meeting of the National Federation of Information Commissions in India (NFICI), held from 7th April to 9th April, 2025 at the State Information Commission, Guwahati, Assam.

The meetings were attended on behalf of APIC by the Hon'ble State Chief Information Commissioner, Major General Jarken Gamlin. The programme included the arrival of members and guests on 7th April, 2025, followed by the 32nd Board of Governors Meeting and the 14th Annual General Body Meeting on 8th April, 2025, under the aegis of the State Information Commission, Assam.

During the meetings, discussions were held on matters relating to the effective functioning of Information Commissions, implementation of the Right to Information Act, 2005, and various administrative and institutional issues concerning transparency and accountability in governance. The participation of APIC provided an opportunity for exchange of ideas and sharing of best practices among Information Commissions from different States across the country.

(ii) Awareness Programme on the RTI Act, 2005 at Roing and Anini

The Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) conducted Awareness Programmes on the Right to Information Act, 2005 at Roing, Lower Dibang Valley District on 14th May, 2025 and at Anini, Dibang Valley District on 16th May, 2025.

The programmes were led by the Hon'ble State Chief Information Commissioner (HSCIC), Major General Jarken Gamlin, along with Hon'ble State Information Commissioner (HSIC), Shri Khopey Thaley. The APIC team also included Shri Himanshu Verma, IT Consultant and Shri Odi Menjo, Personal Assistant to the HSCIC.





During the programmes, detailed presentations were delivered on the provisions, objectives and effective implementation of the RTI Act, 2005. The team also conducted interactive sessions to clarify doubts and queries relating to the Act. The awareness programmes witnessed the participation of Public Information Officers (PIOs), Heads of Departments (HoDs) and members of the general public.

(iii) Participation in Discussion Meeting on Best Practices and Demonstration of Virtual Hearing

The Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) participated in a discussion meeting convened by the National Federation of Information Commissions in India (NFICI) on 29th May, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. in the office of the Central Information Commission (CIC), New Delhi.

The meeting was attended on behalf of APIC by the Hon'ble State Chief Information Commissioner (HSCIC), Major General Jarken Gamlin. This was the first meeting attended by the Hon'ble HSCIC during the year, 2025 relating to discussions on best practices and demonstration of virtual hearing systems adopted by Information Commissions.

The meeting was organized under the directions of the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Central Information Commission and President, NFICI. Deliberations were held on best administrative practices, effective implementation of the Right to Information Act, 2005 and the use of virtual hearing mechanisms for enhancing efficiency and accessibility in the functioning of Information Commissions.

(iv) Participation of APIC in the 15th Annual General Body Meeting of NFICI

The Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) participated in the 15th Annual General Body Meeting of the National Federation of Information Commissions in India (NFICI) held on 26th August, 2025 at 11:00 A.M. at CIC Bhawan, Baba Gang Nath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi.

The meeting was attended on behalf of APIC by Hon'ble State Chief Information Commissioner (HSCIC), Major General Jarken Gamlin. The Annual General Body Meeting was convened under the directions of the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Central Information Commission and President, NFICI.

During the meeting, deliberations were held on matters concerning the functioning of Information Commissions and issues relating to the effective implementation of the Right to Information Act, 2005. It was also proposed to launch the RTI Journal 2025 during the occasion. Dr. Jitendra Singh, Hon'ble Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office, kindly consented to grace the occasion.

Prior to the meeting, pre-meeting discussions among the esteemed members of the Federation were held on 25th August, 2025 in New Delhi.

(6) APIC celebrates Right to Information Week 2025

The Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission celebrated the annual RTI Week, observed every year from 5th to 12th October, with a series of awareness and outreach programmes aimed at promoting transparency, accountability and citizens' rights under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

As part of the celebration, the Commission organized an RTI Workshop and Essay Writing Competition at Dera Natung Government College on 6th October, 2025. Subsequently, the main RTI Week Celebration Programme was held on 10th October, 2025 at Dorjee Khandu Auditorium, located within the State Legislative Assembly Complex, Itanagar.

The programme conducted on 6th October 2025 was organized in collaboration with the Department of Political Science and IQAC, DNGC, Itanagar. It featured a workshop on the theme, "*Empowering Citizens through the Right to Information Act*," along with an essay writing competition on "***The Impact of the RTI Act on Transparency and Accountability in Governance***." The events witnessed enthusiastic participation from students, faculty members, and staff, thereby fostering greater awareness regarding the provisions, procedures and significance of the RTI Act, 2005.

The workshop provided participants with practical knowledge on filing RTI applications and highlighted the challenges and importance of ensuring transparency and accountability in governance. The essay writing competition encouraged critical thinking, civic responsibility and active engagement among students on issues related to democratic governance and citizens' rights.

The programme received highly positive feedback from participants and successfully generated increased awareness and interest in RTI mechanisms. Overall, the initiative contributed meaningfully towards strengthening legal literacy, civic consciousness and participatory governance among the youth.



The concluding programme of the RTI Week Celebration was held on 10th October, 2025 at Dorjee Khandu Convention Hall. The event was graced by the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, **Lt. General KT Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM (Retd.)**, as the **Chief Guest**, **Shri Kento Jini, Hon'ble Minister Law, Legislature and Justice, Social Justice, Empowerment and Tribal Affairs, Sports and Youth Affairs** as **Guest of Honor** and **Shri Kaling Tayeng, Principal Secretary, PWD, Political Home Border** as **Special Guest**.



During the programme, the Hon'ble Governor, along with the State Law Minister, formally released the Annual Report of the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission. The dignitaries also distributed prizes to the winners of the Essay Writing Competition organized by APIC in collaboration with the Department of Political Science, Dera Natung Government College.

Miss Golom Alisha, Ms. Habu Yanga, and Ms. Yani Maling secured the 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions respectively in the competition.



In his address, the Governor emphasized that the Right to Information Act is not merely a law, but a living expression of democracy. He stated that the Act bridges the gap between citizens and the State by transforming aspirations into meaningful action. Calling upon all stakeholders to renew their commitment towards transparency, accountability and citizen empowerment, the Governor remarked that as the Nation moves towards the vision of **Viksit Bharat**, **awareness**, participation and integrity must remain at the core of governance. He further stated that with collective efforts, it is possible to build a nation where progress is inclusive, governance is open and every citizen becomes a proud partner in India's journey towards 2047.



The programme was also addressed by Shri Kento Jini, Hon'ble Minister Law, Legislature and Justice, Social Justice, Empowerment and Tribal Affairs, Sports and Youth Affairs, Major General Jarken Gamlin, AVSM, SM, VSM (Retd.), Chief Information Commissioner, Shri Kaling Tayeng, Principal Secretary, PWD, Political Home Border Affairs and State Information Commissioner Vijay Taram, who shared their views on the significance of the RTI Act and the need for transparent and accountable governance. The event witnessed the participation of a large number of Public Information Officers (PIOs), government officials, newly

appointed APCS probationers, representatives associated with RTI activities, students and members of the public, making the RTI Week Celebration both meaningful and impactful.



(6.1) Participation of APIC in the Discussion Meeting Convened by NFICI at CIC, New Delhi

The Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (APIC) participated in a discussion meeting convened by the National Federation of Information Commissions in India (NFICI) on 3rd–4th February, 2026 at 11:00 A.M. in the office of the Central Information Commission (CIC), New Delhi.

The meeting was attended on behalf of APIC by Hon'ble State Chief Information Commissioner (HSCIC), Major General Jarken Gamlin. This marked the second occasion of participation by the Hon'ble HSCIC in meetings convened by NFICI, and the first such participation during the year 2026.

The meeting was organized under the directions of the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Central Information Commission and President, NFICI. Discussions were held on best practices adopted by various Information Commissions, along with demonstrations relating to the conduct of virtual hearings and other institutional procedures aimed at strengthening the implementation of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

(7) Status of Second Appeal Cases Registered at the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission during the Year, 2025–2026

Sl. No.	Year, 2025-2026	Total
1.	Total Second Appeal Cases Registered	1257
2.	Total Second Appeal Cases Disposed	568
3.	Total Second Appeal Cases Pending	689

(7) Status of Complaints Registered at the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission during the Year, 2025–2026

Sl. No.	Year, 2025-2026	Total
1.	Total Complaint Registered	24
2.	Total Complaint Disposed	10
3.	Total Complaint Pending	14

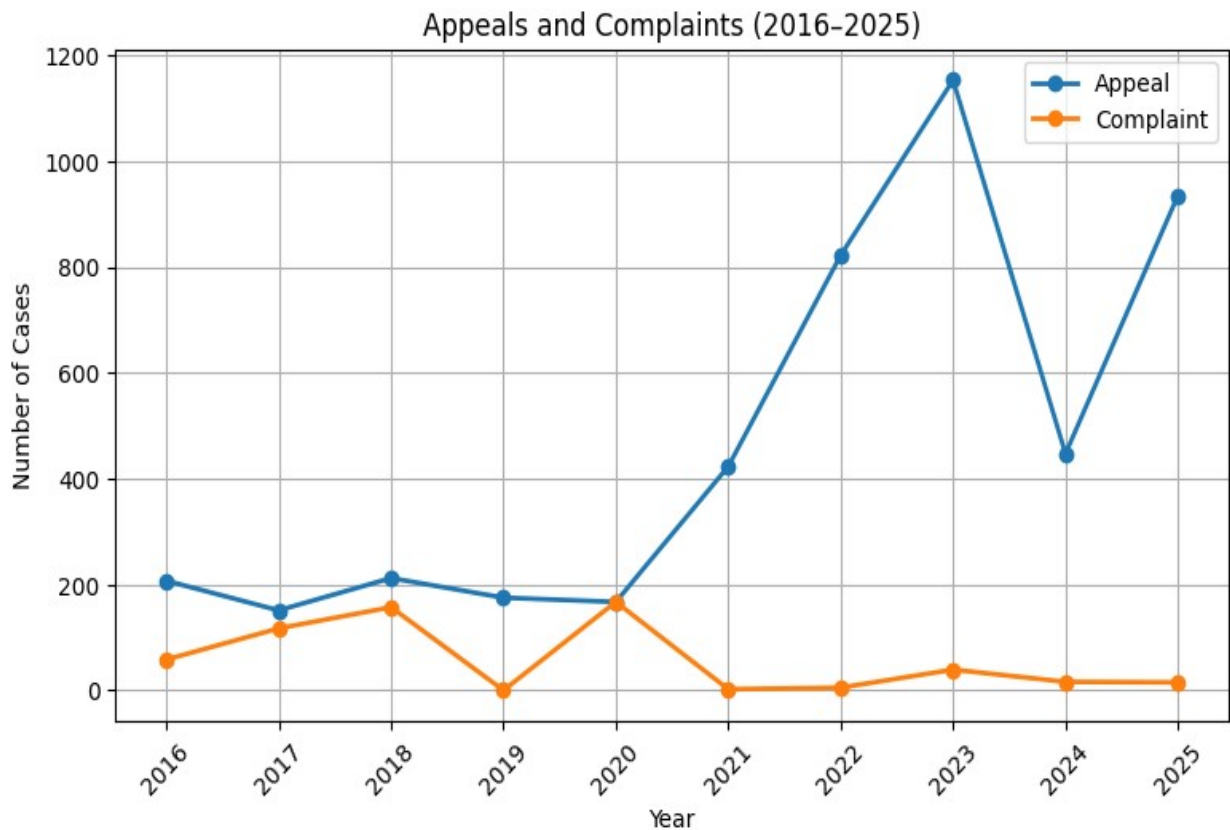
(8) Total Penalty and Compensation Paid by the Public Authorities in the year, 2025

1.	Total Penalty Amount Paid	₹ 2,50,000
2.	Total Compensation Amount Paid	₹ 75,000

(9) Arrest Warrant, Disciplinary Action taken against the Public Authorities in the year, 2025

1.	Total No. of Arrest Warrant issued	4
2.	Total No. of disciplinary action taken	2

(10) Comparative Analysis of trends in Appeals and Complaints received in the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission in the last 10 years



The graph illustrates the trends in Second Appeals and Complaints received by the Commission from 2016 to 2025. While the number of Second Appeals increased significantly, particularly after 2020, Complaints remained comparatively low throughout the period.

(11) Latest Status of Writ Petition filed against the decision of the Commission before the Gauhati High Court

Sl. No.	Name of the Case	Status of the case
1.	WP(C)No.77 (A.P)/2020 Shri Mibong Borang Vs the State of Arunachal Pradesh and 5 Ors.	Pending
2.	W P(C) No. 295(A.P)/2019 Shri Rojum Tayeng Vs the State of Arunachal Pradesh and Ors	Pending
3.	WP(C)No.341(A.P)/2019 Shri Rojum Tayeng Vs the State of Arunachal Pradesh and Ors.	Pending
4.	WP(C) No.101(A.P)/2020 APPSC Vs the APIC.	Pending
5.	WP(C)No.425(A.P)/2021 Jobuk Palon Vs APIC and 7 Ors.	Pending
6.	WP(C)No.354/2021 M/s Agam Construction Vs the APIC and Ors.	Pending
7.	WP(C)No.355/2021 M/s Purvanchal Enterprises Vs the APIC and Ors.	Pending
8.	WP(C)No.144/2022 M/s M.B Enterprises Vs the APSIC and 4 Ors	Pending
9.	WP(C)No.145/2022 M/s J.B Enterprises Vs the APSIC and 4 Ors.	Pending
10.	WP(C)No.180/2022 M/s Agam Construction Vs the APIC and 3 Ors.	Pending
11.	WP(C)No.577/2023 Apex Professional University and Anr. Vs the State of Arunachal Pradesh and 5 Ors.	Pending
12.	WP(C)No.191/2023 Mirik Bagra Vs the APIC and 2 Ors.	Pending
13.	WP(C)No.228/2024 Nabam Nanu and Anr Vs the APIC and 3 Ors.	Pending
14.	WP(C)No.7/2025, Takam Titus- Vs the APIC and Anr.	Pending
15.	WP(C)No.279/2025, Samraj Sur Chakma Vs the APIC and 2 Ors.	Pending
16.	WP(C) No.487/2025, Pasighat Smart City Development Corporation Ltd.-Vs- The State of Arunachal Pradesh and 2 Ors.	Pending
17.	WP(C) No.28/2026, M/s LK Enterprises-Vs- The APIC and 2 Ors.	Pending
18.	WP(C) No.29/2026, M/s CNN Enterprises-Vs- The APIC and 2 Ors.	Pending
19.	WP(C) No.30/2026, M/s TM Enterprises-Vs- The APIC and 2 Ors.	Pending
20.	WP(C) No.31/2026, M/s LRT Enterprises-Vs- The APIC and 2 Ors.	Pending
21.	WP(C) No.113/2026, Pudom Taku -Vs- The APIC and Anr.	Pending

(12) Recommendation of the Commission to the Government

As per Section 25 (3)(g), the Commission would like to reiterate the following recommendation to the Government of Arunachal Pradesh for effective implementation of the RTI Act in the state.

REGULAR REPORT RETURN FROM PUBLIC AUTHORITIES

Although Sub Sections (2) and (3) of Section 25 of the RTI Act mandate that each Ministry and Department in relation to the Public Authorities within their jurisdiction, shall collect and provide such information to the State Information Commission, as is required to prepare the Annual Report. The State Government, through the nodal department should direct all the PIOs to submit the quarterly report and periodical report regarding effective implementation of RTI Act, 2005 of the Public Authority regularly.

INADEQUATE PERFORMANCE OF THE FIRST APPELLATE AUTHORITY

As per Section 19(1), Any person who does not receive decision within the time specified or aggrieved by the decision of the State Public Information Officer (SPIO), may within 30 days from the expiry of such period or from the receipt of such a decision, prefer an appeal to such officer who is senior in rank to the State Information officer in each public authority.

It has been observed that this provision of First Appellate Authority is being done by a very few public authorities and most of the First Appellate Authorities do not discharge their function in the state so much so that, the department of Administrative Reform (AR) the nodal department, has not been able to bring out the Rules on the First Appellate Authority.

For effective implementation of the Act, the provision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA) is to be complied with strictly. For this, the appropriate initiative is required from the nodal department of the government.

PROACTIVE DISCLOSURE

As per Section 4 of the RTI Act, it is the obligation of every Public Authority to disclose certain information on Suo Motu basis as laid down under sub-section (1) of the Section.

As per Sub Section (2) of the Section, it shall be a constant endeavor of every Public Authority to take steps in accordance with the requirements of the clause (b) of the Section 1 to provide as much information Suo-Motu to the public at regular intervals through various means of communication including internet, so that public have minimum resort to the use of the Act to obtain information.

It has been observed that most of the Public Authorities are not strictly complying with the provisions of the Section by proactive disclosure of the activities undertaken by the Public Authority. It is also observed that many of the Public Authorities do not have a website containing up to date information. If more and more Suo-Motu disclosure are made by the Public Authorities, undoubtedly there would be lesser cases of information seeking. Therefore, the Commission recommends that the Chief Secretary of the State should direct all the Public Authorities of the state to comply with the provisions of the Act strictly.

(13) Photo Gallery



**Major General Jarken Gamlin
AVSM, SM, VSM (Retd)
Chief Information Commissioner**



**Shri Vijay Taram
State Information Commissioner**



**Shri Khopey Thaley
State Information Commissioner**



**Shri Sangyal Tsering Bappu
State Information Commissioner**



**Shri Dani Gamboo
State Information Commissioner**



**Smti Maman Padung, APCS,
Deputy Registrar - 09/03/2017 to 30/11/2024
Registrar - 02/12/2024 to 31/01/2026**



**Shri Sode Potom,
APCS, Registrar
03/03/2026 till date**



**Shri Jacob Lego,
Senior Finance and Accounts Officer
11/12/2020 to till date**



The panel of guests for the inaugural session of the RTI Awareness Programme at DNGC From left to right: Smti Priscilla Tayeng, Dy. Registrar APIC, Dr. Suparna Bhattacharya (HoD, Political Science), Shri Vijay Taram (HSIC), Dr. B.K. Mishra (HoD, Chemistry), and Smti. Maman Padung (Registrar, APIC) along with students of Political Science Department, Dera Natung Government College.



Students participating in the Essay Writing Competition at DNGC.



Prize distribution for the Essay Writing Competition by **Lieutenant General K. T. Parnaik, PVSM, UYSM, YSM and Hon'ble Minister Shri Kento Jini** during the RTI Week celebration on **10th October, 2025**.



Republic Day, 2026 celebration at Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission



Farewell ceremony of **Smti Maman Padung, Registrar, APIC** held at the APIC Office Canteen in the presence of **HSCIC Major General Jarken Gamlin, HSIC Shri Sangyal Tsering Bappu and HSIC Shri Khopey Thaley.**

(14) Some of the significant orders/decisions of the Commission**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, APIC
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An appeal case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005

Vide Case No. Appeal-629/A/2025

**BEFORE THE COURT OF SHRI KHOPEY THALEY,
STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER**

Shri Tongam Jamoh and Shri Takar Jamoh	:		Appellant
		Versus	
PIO-cum-State Election Commissioner	:		Respondent
Date of hearing	:	26/11/2025	
Date of decision/Judgment	:	18/03/2026	
INFORMATION COMMISSIONER	:	Shri Khopey Thaley	
Relevant facts emerging from Appeal	:		
RTI application filed on	:	06/06/2025	
PIO replied on	:	(blank)	
First appeal filed on	:	07/07/2025	
First Appellate Authority's order	:	01/08/2025	
Second Appeal dated	:	19/08/2025	
Information sought	:		

The appellant filed an RTI Application dated 6th June, 2025 seeking details regarding procedure and eligibility criteria of Panchayat Raj Election in Arunachal Pradesh.

As per the case record, PIO has provided the sought information to the appellant. Being dissatisfied, the appellant filed First Appeal dated 7th July, 2025. No hearing was conducted by the First Appellate Authority. Feeling aggrieved, the appellant approached the Commission with instant Second Appeal.

The following were present.

Appellant	:	Shri Tongam Jamoh and Shri Takar Jamoh absent.
Respondent	:	PIO-cum-State Election Commissioner present in person.

JUDGEMENT ORDER

This is an appeal filed under sub-section (3) of Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005. Brief fact of the case is that the appellants Shri Tongam Jamoh and Shri Takar Jamoh on 6th June, 2025 filed an RTI application under FORM-A before the PIO-cum-State Election Commissioner, Itanagar, Papum Pare District, Government of Arunachal Pradesh. The Appellant, being not satisfied with the information received from the PIO, filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 7th July, 2025. Appellant again having not received the required information from the FAA, filed the second appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on 19th August, 2025 and the registry of the commission (APIC) having receipt of the appeal, registered it as APIC No. 629/A/2025 and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

Hearings were held on 26/11/2025 and 18/03/2026. On 18/03/2026, the PIO-cum-State Election Commissioner was present, but appellants were absent without any intimation to the commission.

Background:

The Appellant sought information regarding:

- Eligibility of Non-Indigenous / Non-APST persons to contest, vote, or enroll in Panchayat elections.
- Whether such persons can be considered “Native” or “Ordinary Resident.”
- Interpretation of earlier Government letters and notifications.
- Clarification of constitutional and statutory terms such as Native, Ordinary Resident, Indigenous.

PIO stated queries seek opinion and interpretation of law, not records.

Commission’s observation :

Queries require interpretation of terms, eligibility decisions, clarification of Government letters, adjudication. These are legal opinions, not “information” under Section 2(f).

Judicial precedents cited :

1. CBSE Vs Aditya Bandopadhyay (2011) – Public authority not required to furnish advice/opinion.
2. Khanapuram Gandaiah Vs Administrative Officer (2010) – PIO not expected to create information or provide reasons.
3. Dr. Celsa Pinto Vs Goa SIC (2008) – RTI does not oblige authority to explain decisions or interpret statutes.
4. CIC Decision in K.S. Prasad Vs SEBI (2008) – Queries seeking clarification/interpretation not “information.”

Final Order:

The information sought does not fall under Section 2(f). Queries are legal opinions/interpretations, not existing records. RTI application disposed of. Appellant may file fresh RTI specifying particular documents, notifications, circulars, or orders. PIO shall provide identifiable existing records if available. Appeal case disposed of accordingly.

Judgment pronounced on 18th March, 2026.

Sd/-
(Khohey Thaley)
State Information Commissioner,
APIC, Itanagar.

**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, APIC
ITANAGAR**

An appeal case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005

Vide Case No. APIC-878/2025

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF SHRI VIJAY TARAM, THE STATE INFORMATION
COMMISSIONER, UNDER SECTION 19(3) OF RTI ACT, 2005.**

Shri Tai Shiva & Others

.....
Appellant

-VERSUS-

PIO-O/O Deputy Director of Rural Development (DDRD),
Ziro, Lower Subansiri District,
Government of Arunachal Pradesh
Order : 21.04.2026.

.....Respondent.

JUDGEMENT

This is an appeal filed under sub-section (3) of Section 19 of the RTI 2005. Brief fact of the case is that the Appellants Shri Tai Shiva, Bengia Mangming, Kaling Tabi and Ngaker Jumken on 12/08/2025 filed an RTI application in Form 'A' before the PIO-cum- Deputy Director of Rural development (DDRD), Government of Arunachal Pradesh. Whereby seeking various information as quoted in Form 'A' application. The Appellants being not receiving the information from the PIO filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 19/09/2025 and even then, the Appellants not receiving the required information from the PIO, filed the Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on 28/11/2025 and the Registry of the Commission (APIC) having receipt of the Appeal registered it as APIC-No. 878/A/2025 (Appeal) and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

In the 1st hearing held on 21st April, 2026. The Appellants Shri Tai Shiva and Ngaker Jumken are present during the hearing, the PIO-O/O-Deputy Director of Rural Development (DDRD) presently renaming.

Heard the Appellant ;

The Appellant stated before the Commission, that out of the information sought by the Appellants some of the information have been provided to them save, the ST Certificate, PRC & Education Certificate of Shri Pisa Tapok alias Suraj Kumar Chetry. If the PIO to furnish this 3(three) certificates/documents/information that need Form A application of the Appellants.

Heard the PIO,

The PIO stated that the information available with his office of the PIO have been furnished to the Appellants and sent through register sped post to the Appellants address on 6/4/2026. After hearing both the parties the Commission hereby observes.

This hearing pertains to a second appeal filed under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (RTI Act) by a group of four individuals, collectively seeking information from the PIO-O/o Director, Labour and Employment, Itanagar Government of Arunachal Pradesh.

The first appellate authority had dismissed the initial application on the grounds of non-appearance of the appellants in the hearing, leading to the present appeal.

Issues:

The primary issue for consideration in this appeal is the propriety of the joint application filed by four individuals, which is contrary to the provisions outlined under the RTI Act, 2005.

Judgment:

Upon careful consideration of the appeal and relevant provisions of the RTI Act, it is evident that the Act explicitly allows for an application to be filed by a single individual only, as evident in Section 6(1) of the RTI Act 2005 and which states:

"A person who desires to obtain any information under this Act shall make a request in writing or through electronic means in English or Hindi or in the official language of the area in which the application has been made to the PIO. "

The use of the term "person" in the singular indicates that applications must be submitted by individuals and not by groups or collectives. The joint application filed by the four appellants lacks the legal standing as stipulated by the Act and, therefore, is deemed improper.

In light of this, the appeal filed by the group of four is hereby dismissed due to the improper filing of the application.

However, the appellants are granted liberty to file separate applications individually for the information sought, as per the provisions of the RTI Act. Each appellant may submit a fresh RTI application to the concerned authority, adhering to the legal requirements and ensuring that their requests are processed in accordance with the law.

Order :

This second appeal is dismissed on the grounds of improper filing. The appellants are suggested to pursue their requests separately as per the provisions of the RTI Act. And therefore, this appeal as well as the other appeals preferred by the same group of people are dismissed herewith.

The rest appeals heard before APIC bearing No. 875/A/2025, 877/A/2025 & 876/A/2025 are also hereby dismissed along with the instant appeal bearing No. 878/A/2025.

In view of the above facts and circumstances this Appeal stands dismissed and closed once for all.

Judgment pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this 21st day of April, 2026.

Copy of this Judgment be furnished to the parties.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 21st day of April, 2026.

Sd/-
(Vijay Taram)
State Information Commissioner,
APIC-Itanagar.

ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION (APIC), ITANAGARFile No. APIC-537/2025(Appeal)

Shri Kado Mize,
 Zoo Road, Agam Colony
 Itanagar, Papumpare District A.P
 (M) 8730998382
 Pin: 791111
 PIO,
 O/o Director Panchayati Raj (PR)
 Govt. of Itanagar P/Pare District.
 Pin Code: 791111

Appellant

Versus

Respondent

ORDER

Date of Hearing : 13.02.2026
 Date of Decision : Reserved/ 26.02.2026

INFORMATION COMMISSIONER :

Dani Gamboo
 Relevant facts emerging from appeal-

RTI application filed on	:	13.03.2025
SPIO replied on	:	Not on record
First appeal filed on	:	08.04.2025
First Appellate Authority's Order	:	20.05.2025
Second Appeal filed on Information sought	:	30.06.2025

The appellant filed an RTI application dated 13.03.2025 seeking following information regarding the appointment of Junior Engineer, PTA (Panchayati Technical Assistant), done from year, 2015 — till now by Department of Panchayati Raj Government of Arunachal Pradesh.

Details of information required: -

- (i) Furnish the information of all the List of appointment of Junior Engineer/Panchayati technical assistant Done from year, 2015 till now, along with cony of notice for advertisement, terms and condition along with board constitute for monitoring the employment process.
- (ii) Furnish the pay roll/acquaintance roll of your Establishment for last two Years.
- (iii) Furnish the Nominal Roll of your establishment for the last two years.
- (iv) Furnish the list of Junior engineer / panchayat technical assistant (PTAs) who have joined your establishment as new regularized appointees since, 2015 onwards. Also furnish Details of their appointment order and date, place of posting, date of joining etc.
- (v) Furnish, the seniority list of Panchayat technical assistant/junior engineer of Panchayati Raj department.
- (vi) Furnish the Extension order of contractual PTAs under RGPSA scheme

All The Furnished should be Duly certified from Director Panchayati Raj and should be in CTC.

Relevant facts emerged during hearing	:	
Previous Hearing	:	
First	:	07.08.2025
Second	:	03.10.2025

Order of the 2nd hearing- "The Commission has observed that the PIO has to ascertain as to how the seizure of the concerned files have fully made him unable to furnish the items of particular information sought in RTI application in form A. A copy of order passed by Central Information Commission in CIC/BS/A/2012, 2013 : Mr R P Srivastava Vs Department of Posts be furnished to the PIO the PIO shall file a written submission justifying his claim under relevant section in RTI Act, 2005 for exemption of the disclosure of the information sought within two weeks from the date of issue of this order."

The following were present.

Appellant : Present through VC. The appellant has also authorized Shri Tajong Talom (Adv) to contest on behalf of him. The representative of appellant states that merely informing about Seizing of files by ACB is not acceptable.

Respondent PIO : Present. The files have been seized by the Anti-Corruption Bureau since 2024 and investigation is still on and the relevant file/ documents are not returned to the department.

Decision: The Commission after adverting to the facts and circumstances of the case, hearing the parties and perusal of the records observes:

Whereas, the First Appellate Authority — Director (PR) heard the first appeal on 20th May, 2025 and disposed of the appeal with the observation -

"Whereas, in pursuance to order No.PR-RTI/534/2025/197 dated 13/05/2025, a hearing was held in the Office chamber of the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 20/05/2025 at 1200 hrs. where both the parties appeared in person.

And whereas, after hearing Dy. Director (RE)-cum-PIO (PR), it was observed that the files related to the appointment of PTAs from 2015 is seized by the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) and in support of his submission, the PIO has produced a copy receipt dated 08/07/2024 in plain paper signed by Inspector (ACB), the enquiry Officer of the SIC vigilance case No. ACB/PS ENQ.NO.1/2023.

Now the First Appellate Authority (FAA) had satisfied itself that there were no solid substances from appellant to hold the case for further course of action.

Therefore, this appeal case between Deputy Director (RE)-cum-PIO (PR) and Shri Kado Mize, Zoo Road Agam Colony, Itanagar, Papumpare District Arunachal Pradesh stand disposed of.

Whereas, the first hearing in the commission was conducted on 7th Augusts, 2025 whereby the appellant was not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate and wished to file a decided case law under which the information can be provided to the RTI applicant event if the matter pertaining to it is under investigation by Anti-Corruption Bureau. The PIO was absent and has filed a written submission for rescheduling the hearing.

Whereas, the second hearing in the commission was conducted on 3rd October, 2025. The counsel for appellant attended through VC and produced a decided judgement copy in Central Information Commission's Case : CIC/BS/A/2012,2013 Mr. R P Srivastava Vs Department of Posts which states —

“The Hon’ble High Court of Delhi vide its decision dated 3rd December, 2007 (WP)(C) No. 3114/2007 Bhagat Singh Vs CIC and Ors has held as under :

“13. Access to information, under Section 3 of the Act, is the rule and exemptions under Section 8, the exception. Section 8 being a restriction on this fundamental right, must therefore be strictly construed. It should not be interpreted in manner as to shadow the very right itself. Under Section 8, exemption from releasing information is granted if it would impede the process of investigation or the prosecution of the offenders. It is apparent that the mere existence of an investigation process cannot be a ground for refusal of the information; the authority withholding information must show satisfactory reasons as to why the release of such information would hamper the investigation process. Such reasons should be germane, and the opinion of the process being hampered should be reasonable and based on some material. Sans this consideration, Section 8(1)(h) and other such provisions would become the haven for dodging demands for information.

The mere pendency of investigation/ inquiry is not sufficient justification by itself for withholding the information. It must be shown that the disclosure of the information would impede’ or even on a lesser threshold ‘hamper’ or ‘interfere’ with the inquiry/ investigation. This burden the respondent has failed to discharge besides the appellant has vehemently argued that the matter relates to corruption a contention which the respondent has not been able to dispute. In view of the foregoing, we are of the opinion that the information is disclosable in larger public interest. The CPIO is accordingly directed to disclose the relevant file noting to the appellant within 03 weeks from the date of receipt of this order after redacting the names of the officers who wrote the notes or made the entries in the concerned file”

Whereas, the PIO produced a copy of receipt dated 8th July, 2024 the seizure of file pertaining to appointment of PTAs from 2015 signed by the Inspector (ACB), the Inquiry Officer of the SIC Vigilance Case No. ACB / PS ENQ. No. 1/2023. The PIO was directed to justify withholding the information during mere pendency of investigation / inquiry.

Whereas, the third hearing was conducted on 13th February, 2026.

Whereas, the appellant has urged with written statement as —

“The Appellant most humbly submits this supplementary note to highlight the legal fallacies in the Respondent’s vague and evasive defense presented during the hearing

1. The Doctrine of “Proportionality” and Section 8(1)(h)

The Respondent's reliance on the ACB seizure is legally flawed.

Precedent : In Bhagat Singh v. CIC (2008), the Delhi High Court held : ‘The PIO must show satisfactory reasons as to why the release of such information would hamper the investigation. Mere existence of an investigation is not a ground for refusal.’

Application : Since the ACB has not filed a Charge sheet in almost 2 years, the “investigation” has become an indefinite tool for suppression. There is no” nexus” between a list of names and the hampering of a stagnant case.

2. Mandatory Duty under Section 5(4) and 5(5)

The PIO cannot claim "non-availability" without exhausting their statutory powers.

Legal Point : Under Section 5(4), the PIO is mandated to seek assistance from any officer holding the records.

The “Deemed PIO” Rule : In J.P. Agrawal v. Union of India, the Court ruled that a PIO cannot act as a mere “post-office”. They must show active effort to retrieve data

Fact : The PIO failed to seek assistance from the Drawing and Disbursing Officer (DDO) or District Planning Officers, who ho/d secondary records required for salary disbursement.

3. The “Public Records” and “Salary” Logic

The Conflict : The Respondent claims a total absence of records, yet the Department continues the “Public Activity” of paying salaries to 164 PTA3.

Legal Conclusion : This implies either (a) the records exist in secondary form (Service Books/ PBR) and are being suppressed, or (b) the Department is disbursing public funds without documentation a violation of the Public Records Act, 1993.

Section 2(1): "Information" includes data in any electronic form. Even if physical/ files are seized, the Digital Payroll Data is available and must be disclosed.

4. Demand for “Severability” (Section 10)

Argument : Even if certain investigation notes are sensitive, the Names, Designations, and Dates of Appointment of public servants are purely administrative and cannot be exempt. The PIO has failed to apply the "Doctrine of Severability as required by Section 10 of the RTI Act.

5. Demand for a “Speaking Order” (Reasoned Decision)

The Appellant humbly requests the Hon’ble Commission to pass a Speaking Order. As per the principles of Natural Justice and the mandate of the Hon’ble Supreme Court in S.N. Mukherjee v. Union of India, any quasi-Judicial decision must be supported by clear, logical reasons.

Application : A non-reasoned or “vague” order would deprive the Appellant of the right to understand the grounds of denial and would hinder the right to further judicial review in the High Court.

PRAYER

The Appellant prays that the Hon’ble Commission :

Summon the Records : Direct the PIO to produce the “Seizure Memo” to identify exactly which files were seized and which remain in the custody of the Public Authority.

Order Disclosure : Direct the PIO to compile the information from Secondary Records (Service Books/Bank Advices/Digital/ PFMS data) within 15 days.

Issue a Speaking Order: Pass a reasoned, written judgment addressing each legal point raised herein.

Initiate Penalty : Grant a penalty under Section 20(1) for the PIO's ma/afide attempt to use a 2-year-old seizure to defeat the object of the RTI Act”.

Whereas, the respondent urged with written statement as —

“Regarding hampering the ongoing investigation under the Anti-Corruption Bureau Department, it is to state that for so long the matter related to the appointment of PTA/ JES with effect from, 2015 has been under active investigation from the investigating Agency. outcome of the final report the matter is highly controversial and the leakage of any information at public domain may invite sabotage and interference of smooth conduct investigation.

Now, if we go through the RTI Act, 2005, Section 6 (1) the Appellant has to specify the particulars of the information and again on Section 7 (9) it is mentioned that an information shall ordinarily be provided in the form in which it is sought.

As per our earlier forwarding letter No. PR/534/2025 dated 22nd October, 2025, 3 (three) Nos. of file related to appointment of Panchayat Technical Assistant/ JES has out rightly been seized by the Enquiry Officer, Insp. Inya Ete and there are 164 (One hundred Sixty-Four) PTAs/JEs who are actively working in the districts, without any list or seniority list.

So, in view of the above facts, point wise answer to the queries are furnished below: -

Sl No.	Queries	Departmental/ reply
1.	Furnish the information of all the List of appointments of Junior Engineer/ Panchayati technician/ assistant Done from year 2015 till now, along with a copy of notice for advertisement, terms and condition along with board constituted for monitoring the employment process.	This department is unable to supply the information because the files related to the Appointment of PTAs from 2015 is seized by the Anti-Corruption Bureau vide ACB/PS ENQ NO. 1/2009, which are sti// with ACB.
2.	Furnish the pay roll/ acquaintance roll of your establishment for the last two years.	This department is unable to supply the information because most of the PTAs were appointed in 2014 and due to non-existence of seniority list it is not possible to segregate few PTAs who were appointed after 2015.
3.	Furnish Nominal Roll of your establishment for the last two years	This department is unable to supply the information because most of the PTAs were appointed in 2014 and due to non-existence of seniority list it is not possible to segregate few PTAs who were appointed after 2015.
4.	Furnish the list of Junior engineer/ panchayat technician/ assistant (PTAs) who have joined your establishment as new regularized appointees since 2015 onwards. Also furnish Details of their appointment order and date, place of posting, update of joining etc.	This department is unable to supply the information because none of the PTAS are regularized till date from their initial appointment.
5.	Furnish the seniority list of Panchayat technician/ assistant/ junior engineer of Panchayati raj department.	This department is unable to supply the information due to non-existence of seniority list.
6.	Furnish the extension order of contractual PTAs under RGPSA scheme.	This department is unable to supply the information because there is no extension order under RGPSA.

As such, it is to apprise your honour that so long all the relevant files on appointment matter of PTAs/JEs were seized and the matter is still under investigation of Anti-Corruption Bureau Department, we are not in a position to furnish any of your information unless those mes are released by ACB and handed over to us".

Whereas, the respondent PIO has categorically replied to the appellant's RTI query from serial number 1 to 6 in RTI application in form-A as it exists. The information to the applicant should ordinarily be provided in the form in which it is sought. Only such information is required to be supplied under the Act which already exists and is held under the public authority. It is beyond the scope of the Act to create information; or to interpret information; or solve the problems raised by the applicants; or to furnish replies to hypothetical questions.

Whereas, the respondent PIO has produced the list of files seized by the Inquiry Officer as:

“Three (3) nos. Of files to PTA appointment vide file No. PR-RGPSA (TA) 670/2014 (PT) PR-RG PSA (TA)/670/2014/PT-rr & File No. PR-RGPSA/TA/670/2014/(Pt-11) have been received today on 8/7/2024 for study/ scrutiny in c/w PE No. 1/2023 (SIC Vig)”.

Whereas, the Clause (h) of Sub-Section (1) of Section (8) of RTI Act, 2005 mandates exemption from disclosure of information which would impede the process of investigation or apprehension or prosecution of offenders.

Now, this commission is satisfied that disclosure of the information sought at this stage would impede the process of investigation of apprehension and prosecution of offender and there are no solid substances from the appellant to hold on the case for further course of action. Therefore, decision / judgement of the first appellate authority is hereby upheld.

The appeal case is disposed of and closed at commission accordingly.

Sd/
(Dani Gamboo)
Information Commission.

ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION ITANAGAR

An Appeal case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005

Case No. APIC- 683/2025

APPELLANT : Shri Ha Tago and Shri Sartam Tallu, Nirjuli.
RESPONDENT : The PIO, O/o the District Land Revenue & Settlement Officer (DLRSO) Kra Daadi District (A.P)

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Ha Tago and Shri Sartam Tallu for non-furnishing of below mentioned information by the PIO, O/o the District Land Revenue and Settlement Officer (DLRSO) Kra Daadi District (A.P) as sought for by them under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide their application dated 27th June, 2025:

A. Particular of information : Details information about the Land compensation and all other relevant document regarding the Frontier High-way stretch Huri-Taliha Package-III under Kra Daadi District. B. Details of information required:

1. A copy of Sanction order;
2. A copy of social impact report & Public notice of Land acquisition;
3. A copy of Final bill list submitted by steering committee/department with Items wise/quantities rate of each beneficiary;
4. A copy of list of steering committees and its members;
5. A copy of funds provision allocates for survey and investigation with expenditure report includes Utility certificate and bill Voucher;
6. A copy of total funds/amount against the beneficiary of Kra Daadi district on ground of land compensation release from GOI;
7. A copy of final ground survey report and total Kilometers of land areas of Frontier Highway Package-III under Kra Daadi District with Beneficiary chainage Numbers;
8. A copy of Final Notification/declaration Report of the land acquired and beneficiaries list and amount of bill against each beneficiary;
9. A copy of NOC for eligible beneficiaries from Gram Panchayat of concerned villages and it minutes or representation as per manual guideline;
10. A copy of details of the beneficiary account where the compensation amount was disbursed or will disburse and a CTC copy of cheque vouchers;
11. A copy of NOC from each land owners and agreement copy of land owners with department;
12. Furnish a copy of cheques amount dispatched for land compensation to each land owners Through cheque/PFMS/DBT etc. And
13. A copy of unused balance amount and solitum amount.

C. Period for Information asked for : 2024-2025

Facts emerging from the appeal and decision.

1. WHEREAS Shri Ha Tago and Shri Sartam Tallu had filed RTI application dated 27th June, 2025 before the pro, O/o the District Land Revenue and Settlement Officer (DLRSO) Kra Daadi District, Palin under section 6(1) of RTI Act, 2005 requesting for the aforementioned information but failed to obtain the same which prompted them to appeal before the Deputy Commissioner, Kra Daadi District, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, the First Appellate Authority (FAA) under Section 19 (l) of the RTI Act, 2005 vide their appeal memo dated 29th July, 2025. However, no records as to the conduct of hearing by the FAA, if any, has been placed in the appeal. The appellants, however, preferred their second appeal before this Commission under 19(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 vide memo of appeal dated 1st September, 2025 on the ground that the PIO did not furnish the requested information.
2. AND WHEREAS this appeal was heard 3(three) times on 19.11.2025, 16.01.2026 and on 30.01.2026. On 19.11.2025, wherein one of the appellants, Shri Ha Tago was present in person while the PIO, the (DLRSO) was represented by Ld. Counsel, Advocate Shri Xavier Gyati, this Commission, upon hearing the parties and on perusal of the PIO's letter dated 08.08.2025 by which the replies were furnished to the appellants, had held as under :
 1. that as regards the denial of Social impact report (Sl. No.(c) of RTI application), the submission of the PIO that Social Impact Assessment (SIA2 was not conducted as the Land was acquired under the urgency clause in section 40 of the Right to Fair Compensation and Transparency in Land Acquisition, Rehabilitation and Resettlement Act, 2013 (LARRA) vide Government Notification dated 22nd November, 2024, is found to be justified and therefore, no direction can be passed to the PIO to furnish an information/document which is not in existence.
 2. that with respect to Final Bill list submitted by the Steering Committee/ Department with item wise/quantities of rate of each beneficiary (Sl. No.(d), the ground cited by the PIO in denying this information being third party information cannot be accepted for the simple reason that the report of the Assessment Committee which is, admittedly, a Government record is not a third party information/documents as claimed by the PIO and therefore, the requested information cannot be said to be covered by the exemption clause (j) of section 8 (1) as a third party information and, hence, can be disclosed. -2-
 3. that similarly, the denial of information against query at Sl. No.(f) Funds provision allocates for survey and investigation with expenditure report includes utility certificates and bill & Bill Vouchers, as being inter-departmental administrative and financial records, not in the public domain and exempted under Section 8(l)(d) & 8(1)(j), cannot be accepted inasmuch as the fund allocated against the expenditure in question is a Government fund and not something covered under clauses (d) and (j) of section 8(1) of the RTI Act. The requested information can, therefore, be furnished more so when the PIO, as noticed in his replies to query on Total fund allocation to the beneficiary (Sl. No. (g) of RTI application, had already furnished the information.

4. that as regards replies against Sl.No. (j) NOC from Gram Panchayats of affected villages, the grounds cited therein that the Land acquisition was carried out as per LARR Act 2013 and Manual of Land Acquisition, Arunachal Pradesh 2022, invoking urgency clause under Section 40 of the Act, is found justified and no direction can be passed for disclosure of an information which does not exist.
5. that with respect to denial of Beneficiary Account Details, Cheque Vouchers, Bank Info. (Sl No.(k)) being personal financial data, exempt under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, the ground cited by the PIO can be accepted to the extent that the account details of the beneficiaries like account transaction (debit /credit) can be said to be personal data of third party covered by the provisions of section 8(1)(j) but the names of beneficiaries, their account numbers and the amount of compensation paid to them can be disclosed for the reasons cited in the preceding paras.”

Accordingly, this Commission had passed the following direction to the PIO : (I)The PIO shall furnish the information/documents against the following queries as requested by the appellant in his RTI application:

- (i) Sl. No. (b) (copy of Sanction order);
 - (ii) Sl. No. of Final bill list submitted by steering committee/department with Items wise/quantities rate of each beneficiary);
 - (iii) Sl. No. (e) (copy of list of steering committees and its members);
 - (iv) Sl. No. (D (copy of funds provision allocates for survey and investigation with expenditure report includes Utility certificate and bill Voucher);
 - (v) Sl. No. (g)(copy of total funds/amount against the beneficiary of Kra Daadi district on ground of land compensation release from GOI);
 - (vi) Sl. No. of final ground survey report and total Kilometers of land areas of Frontier Highway package-iii under Kra Daadi District with Beneficiary - wise chainage Numbers);
 - (vii) Sl. No. (i)(copy of Final Notification/declaration Report of the land acquired & beneficiaries list and amount of bill against each beneficiary) ;
 - (viii) Sl. No.(k)(copy of details of the beneficiary account where the compensation amount was disbursed or will disburse and a CTC copy of cheque vouchers) and
 - (ix) Sl. No. (n) (copy of unused balance amount and solatium amount).
2. The PIO shall furnish the above documents/information to the appellant in a tabular form with proper index and duly certified by the PIO and report the compliance therewith on 16th January, 2025 the next date of hearing without fail so as not to constrain this Commission to invoke penal provisions of the RTI Act,2005.
 3. AND WHEREAS on 16th January, 2026, the PIO, Er. Shri Pudom Taku, DLRSO was present in person and the appellants were also present with their Counsel, Shri Sorang Tada and the following were the submissions made by the parties:

The appellants and their Ld. Counsel submitted that the PIO did not furnish the requested information/documents despite the direction of this Commission. They also submitted that the Commission, in its earlier order did not pass any direction on their query at Sl.(j)(NOC from Gram Panchayats of affected villages). In this regard, this Commission in its aforesaid order had already considered the point and endorsed the grounds cited by the PIO i.e invocation of urgency clause under section 40 of the LARR Act 2013, for non-furnishing the said information, as justified and therefore, it is re-iterated that no direction can be passed for disclosure of an information which does not exist. The appellants/Ld. Counsel, however, insisted for the copy of the Government notification issued under section 40 of the Act and its publication in the Newspaper. The said documents, which are available along with other records submitted to this Commission by the PIO earlier shall be furnished to the appellants which shall be collected by them on next working day (19th January, 2026).

The appellants also demanded that the copy of notice issued by the office of the Deputy Commissioner under the proviso to section-40(2) of the LARR Act be furnished to them.

The PIO, on the other hand, submitted as under :

- (a) that no Steering Committee was constituted for recommending Final bill list with Items wise/quantities rate of each beneficiary as requested by the appellants vide Sl. No.(d) of their application but there was an Assessment Committee constituted by Government for assessment of land and other standing properties, the copy of which can be furnished to the appellants;
- (b) that there was no separate fund allotted for survey and investigation (Sl. No. (D) but the expenditure on survey and investigation was borne out of the contingency fund provisions provided for administrative charges, the detailed statement of expenditure of which can be furnished to the appellants;
- (c) that as regards the total funds/amount against the beneficiary of Kra Daadi district release from GOI (Sl. No. (g)), the O/O the PIO does not hold the copy of sanction but available with the State Government;
- (d) that the information/documents requested vide Sl. No.(h), (i) and (k) are identical in nature and the details, such as, the names of beneficiaries, Beneficiary-wise chainage Numbers, actual amount of compensation paid, cheque numbers etc.) could be found in the Final Notification/declaration Report except the individual Bank A/c number of the beneficiaries as the compensation amount was not disbursed in the bank accounts and
- (e) that the details of balance amount and solatium amount (Sl. No.(n)) could be furnished.

4. AND WHEREAS this Commission, upon hearing the PIO and in light of his submission as above, directed him to furnish the information/documents as above. He was also directed to furnish the copy of notice issued by the D.C under the proviso to section 40(2) of the LARRA 2013. It was, however, made clear that if the O/O the PIO does not hold any of the information/documents including the copy of

cheques by which the compensation were released to the beneficiaries, he shall furnish appropriate replies by way of an affidavit as mandated under section-18(3)(c) of the RTI Act, 2005 and under rule-5(vi) of the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005.

The PIO was, thus, directed to comply with the above direction within 2 (two) weeks from the date of receipt of order and report compliance there of on 30th January, 2026, the next date of hearing.

5. AND WHEREAS on 30th January, 2026, the appellants were present while the PIO was represented by Shri Jumdo Karbak, Mandal with the letter dated 26th January, 2026 from the PIO furnishing the replies to the left-out information under: "Sir,

With reference to the Order/Summons and directions issued by the Hon'ble Commission, the undersigned, in capacity as Public Information Officer, respectfully submits point-wise compliance based on records available in this once.

Certified copies are furnished wherever readily available and permissible. Information furnished in compliance of the Commission's order.

The following documents/information are furnished to the appellant in tabular form with proper index and duly certified copy.

Sl. No.	RTI Query	Information furnished	Remarks
1.	(a)	Copy of Sanction Order	The document available in district record evidencing release / deposit of fund towards land acquisition cost is furnished. Separate administrative / financial sanction order, if any, is not held in custody of this office. Enclosed: Annexure-A
2.	(b)	Copy of Final Bill List of Steering Committee with item-wise/quantity wise rates.	As submitted during hearing dated 16-0-2026, no Steering Committee was constituted for recommending Final Bill List. Compensation assessment was carried out through duly constituted assessment Board Headed by the ADC, Tali (Annexure-C). Beneficiary-wise compensation assessment records exist in case file. Certified copies I are presently under verification before I furnishing in compliance with direction of Hon'ble Commission. Aggregate compensation position is furnished. Enclosed: Annexure-B Award

3.	(c)	Copy of constitution of Steering Committee and list of members order of assessment	Copy of constitution order of assessment/ valuation committee as available in records of this office, is furnished. Enclosed: Annexure-C
4.	(d)	Copy of Fund Provision Order for survey an investigation wit expenditure report includes utility certificate bill Voucher.	No separate fund provision order exists exclusively for survey and Investigation work at office level. Expenditure relating to survey and investigation is met from contingency provision forming part of total land Acquisition cost. As per Manual for land Acquisition in Arunachal Pradesh, 2022 contingency provision is calculated at 1% of value of land and assets (excluding solatium component), subject to Government ceiling limits. Relevant vouchers and bills exist as part of financial case records and are under verification before furnishing permissible certified copies in compliance with direction of Hon'ble Commission. Enclosed: Annexure-B Award.
5.	(e)	Copy of total fun released for land compensation in Kra Daadi District.	Fund release / deposit communication available in Office record is furnished at Annexure-A
6.	(f)	Copy of Final Gro Survey Report along with beneficiary-wise chainage details.	Total land acquisition length 63.800 km and total land area acquired are 267.7924 Hectare asper available records. Beneficiary wise chainage details exist in survey and assessment records and are under verification before furnishing certified copies.
7.	(g)	Copy of Final notification/ Declaration with beneficiary list and amount of compensation	Final Declaration under Section-19 RFCTLARR Act is furnished. Compensation amount is not recorded in Section-19 Declaration document and therefore cannot be supplied as part of that specific record. Beneficiary-wise amount exists in assessment records and is under verification before furnishing. Annexure-D

8.	(h)	Details of beneficiaries showing Name, cheque number and amount disbursed.	Names of PAFs are already reflected in Section-19 Declaration (Annexure-D). Beneficiary-wise cheque reference and compensation amount are traceable from payment acceptance records and payment files. However, consolidated certified statement containing PAF + Chainage + Amount + Cheque Reference is not readily available in compiled form at present and requires verification across multiple records. The same shall be furnished after completion of verification.
9.	(i)	Copy of unused balance amount and solatium amount.	There is no unused balance amount. Out of total sanctioned compensation amount 102,13,54,921 has been disbursed to 380 PAFs out of 382 beneficiaries. Balance 67,32,520 pertains to two beneficiaries and is pending disbursement due to completion of procedural formalities. Solatium has already been paid along with Compensation for land and assets as per RFCTLARR Act, 2013.
10		Section 40(2) URGENCY COMPLIANCE CLARIFICATION	Preliminary Notification invoking urgency Clause under Section 40(1) RFCTLARR Act was issued. Enclosed: Annexure-E No separate Gazette Notification exists under proviso to Section 40(2). As per records, possession of land from PAFs was taken only after disbursement of compensation, and thereafter land was handed over to requiring agency.

This compliance report is submitted for kind information and record.

(Er. Pudom Taku)
DLRSO-cum-PIO O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Kra Daadi District, Palin.

6. AND WHEREAS the replies of the PIO as above, which his representative reiterated during the hearing, have been perused and it was noticed that replies were largely acceptable except the following:
- (a) Copy of Final Bill List of Steering Committee with item-wise/quantity-wise rates (query (d)) ;
 - (b) Relevant vouchers and bills on expenditure relating to survey and investigation query
 - (c) Final notification/Declaration with beneficiary list and amount of compensation (query (i)) ;
 - (d) Details of beneficiaries showing Name, cheque number and amount disbursed (query (k)) and
 - (e) Notice under proviso to Section 40(2) (NOC from eligible beneficiaries from Gram Panchayat (query (j)) .
7. AND WHEREAS, this Commission, reminding the PIO of its earlier order dt.16.01.2026 regarding the requirement of law under Section -7(8)(i) of the RTI Act,2005 r/w section-18 (3)(c) of the RTI Act, 2005 and rule- 5(vi) of the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005, directed him to furnish the replies to the above queries by way of an affidavit within 2(Two) weeks from the date of receipt of the order making it clear that his failure would constrain this Commission to impose the penalty prescribed under Section 20 as well as reasonable compensation under section of the RTI Act, 2005.
8. AND WHEREAS the PIO failed to comply with the above direction which prompted the appellants to file complaint dt.17.02.2026 before this Commission complaining therein that despite Commission's order dated 2nd February, 2026, the PIO did not furnish the documents. The letter of the appellants' complaint is reproduced below:

R/Sir,

With Reference to subject cited above we would like to draw your kind attention for necessary action please.

That sir, we being as appellants of mentioned above case humbly to inform you that your order. Memo No. APIC-683/2025/45.Date Itanagar, the 2nd Feb. 2026 issued against DLRSO Kra Daadi is yet not replay/furnish the documents to undersign.

Therefore Sir, we are an ardently request your good office to immediately issue penalty order on PIO, under section 20 as well as a reasonable compensation to both the appellant under section 19(8)(b) of the RTI Act, 2005.

This is for your kind consideration and necessary action please

Thanking you sir.

Your Sincerely

SD/-
Ha Tago (Appellant)

SD/-
Sartam Tallu (Appellan

9. AND WHEREAS this Commission, taking serious view of the non-compliance of the direction of this Commission's order dt.30.01.26, issued Show cause Notice dated 5th March, 2026 to the PIO, Er. Shri Pudom Taku, District Land Revenue and Settlement Officer (DLRSO, Palin directing him to appear in person on 1st April, 2026 and show cause as to why penalty of ₹ 25,000.00 (Rupees twenty-five thousand) should not be imposed as provided under section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 on him for will full noncompliance of the direction of this Commission and disrespect to the RTI regime.
10. AND WHEREAS today on 01.04.2026, the Appellants are present in person and the PIO is also present with his written explanation to the show cause notice stating that the delay in complying with this Commission's order dated 30.01.26 had occurred due to pre-occupation in the urgent official duties and field responsibilities relating to ongoing land acquisition for 1720 MW Kamla Hydro Electric Project (KHEP). The PIO also produced the copy of affidavit dt. 19.03.2026 sworn in by him declaring therein the reasons for denial of the information/documents in respect of the queries mentioned at Para-6 above.
11. AND WHEREAS during the course of hearing the PIO submitted that the original copy of the affidavit has since been sent to the appellants on 25th March, 26 vide letter dated 19th March, 2026(As extracted hereunder) via Speed post, the xerox copy whereof has been handed over to the appellants.

"Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, it is to inform that in compliance with the directions of the Hon'ble Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission In APIC Case No. 683/2025, this office has filed a Reply on Affidavit before the Hon'ble Commission addressing the queries as directed.

A copy of the said Reply on Affidavit along with annexures is here by forwarded for your information.

It is further clarified that the information furnished is strictly based on records available in this office, and the same has been provided in accordance with the provisions of the Right to Information Act, 2005 and applicable procedures governing land acquisition records.

This is issued for Information and record.

Yours faithfully,

(Er. Pudom Taku)
DLRSO-cum-PIO

AND WHEREAS this commission considered the replies furnished by the PIO against the Show Cause notice dated 5th March, 2026 with which this Commission is satisfied that the PIO.

12. was prevented from complying with the order of this Commission for genuine reasons of administrative exigencies in view whereof the said show cause notice is hereby closed.
13. AND WHEREAS this Commission also perused the affidavit dated 19th March, 2026 and the contents therein and notices that the PIO has duly complied with the requirement of law as provided under Section -7(8)(i) of the RTI Act, 2005 r/w Section-18(3)(c) of the RTI Act, 2005 and rule- 5(vi) of the AP Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005, the extract of which are reproduced hereunder:
- (1) Section 7(8) where a request has been rejected under sub-section(I), the Central Public Information Officer or State Public Information Officer, as the case may be, shall communicate to the reason making the request, (i) the reasons for such rejection;
 - (2) Section 18(3)(c) The Central Public Information Officer or State Public Information Officer, as the case may be, shall while inquiring into any matter under this section, have the same powers in respect of the following matters, namely: -
 - (a)
 - (b)
 - (c) receiving evidence on affidavit.
 - (3) Rule 5(vi) of the AP Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005: In deciding the appeal the Commission shall, (D...
 - (i).....
 - (ii).....
 - (iii)
 - (iv).....
 - (vi) receive evidence on affidavits from the State Public Information Officer, Assistant State Public Information Officer, such Senior Officer who decided the first appeal or third party.
14. NOW THEREFORE, this Commission concludes that this appeal no longer requires any further adjudication in this Commission and consequently, it stands disposed of and closed. If the appellant or the respondent PIO, feels aggrieved/dissatisfied with the order of this Commission as above, he may prefer appeal before the appropriate forum in terms of Section 23 of the RTI Act, 2005.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 1st April, 2026.

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

(15) Name and Designation of staff of APIC, 2025-26

Sl. No.	Name of the Staff	Designation / Charter of duties	Contact No.
1	Shri Riggo Dirchi	PS to HSCIC	7640910415
2	Shri Odi Menjo	PA to HSCIC	8794249305
3	Smti Dari Mamta	MTS to HSCIC	7005371743
4	Smti Romuna Dulom	MTS to HSCIC	8731981917
5	Smti Yape Yonggam	MTS to HSCIC	9436847925
6	Shri Nima Tsering Megegi	Driver to HSCIC	9436071917
7	Smti Yomjum Geyi	PS to HSIC	9402255920
8	Shri Amar Sonar	Driver to SIC	8729971340
9	Smti Migam Sora	PS to HSIC	9436221415
10	Miss Taru Yanku	MTS to HSIC	9862246155
11	Shri Debashish Dey	PS to HSIC	9436046993
12	Ms. Nim Drema	PA to HSIC	8119862003
13	Shri Thupten Tashi	Computer Operator to HSIC	7005928341
14	Smti Kiri Ori	MTS to HSIC	8787587712
15	Shri Sabi Yinyo	Driver to HSIC	8132810306
16	Smti Radhe Uyang	PS to HSIC	9402413939
17	Shri Gemin Miyu	Computer Operator to HSIC	6909180702
18	Smti Tongam Nomuk	MTS to HSIC	9436898700
19	Shri Ghanshyam Chetry	Driver to HSIC	7005513350
20	Smti Taba Pumin	P.A. to Registrar	8787785458
21	Miss Hage Ampa	MTS to Registrar	9774547635
22	Shri Kali Lombi	Driver to Registrar	6009786098
23	Smti Nyadam Gamlin (Gadi)	MTS to Deputy Registrar	9436844218
24	Shri Bali Jini	Driver to Deputy Registrar	9436095112
25	Shri Himanshu Verma	IT Consultant	8319014957

26	Ms. Anoo Mize	Computer Assistant	8787685664
27	Shri Bokin Lego	LDC (RTI Cell)	9362415602
28	Miss Gambom Diyum	MTS (RTI Dealing Assistant)	9402235169
29	Shri Tarang Dusu	UDC (Account Section)	8787737168
30	Ms Osunam Tayeng	LDC (Account Section)	7085572684
31	Smti Dongse Jaboju	Drafter (Account Section)	8798397383
32	Shri Sangey Tsering Bapu	UDC (Establishment)	8794302331
33	Shri Toko Tash	MTS (Issue and Dispatch)	8257014397
34	Smti Marter Lollen	MTS (Issue and Dispatch)	9402227298
35	Shri Penya Ronya	Driver for Dak Duty	7005280038
36	Shri Karbi Tali	Chowkidar	9402461033
37	Smti Junu Roy	Sweeper	8258031610

Annexure-1

(16) Periodical Report regarding Effective Implementation of RTI Act, 2005 in the districts of Arunachal Pradesh for the year, 2025-26.

Sl. No.	Name of the Department	Total No of RTI applications received during 2025-2026	Total Information Furnished/ Total Disposed of	Total No. of applications cited outside jurisdiction under section 4(1) of the RTI amendment Rule (3rd Amendment Rule, 2007	Total No applications rejected under section 492) of the RTI Amendment Rule (3rd Amendment Rule, 2007)	Total Fees Collect ed for Infor- mation
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1. TAWANG						
1	District Industries Centre, Tawang	0	0	0	0	0
2	General Administration, ADC Office, Jang	6	6	0	0	130
3	Health Department, Tawang	6	6	0	0	390

4	Rural Development, Tawang	13	12	0	1	0
5	District Administration Tawang	46	7	0	0	563
6	Chief Engineer (Power), Central Electrical Zone, Itanagar	33	33	1	0	2236
7	District Planning Office, Tawang	2	0	0	0	54
8	Agriculture	3	3	0	0	10
9	Textile & Handicrafts, Tawang	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	109	67	1	1	3383

2. WEST KAMENG

1	Food & Civil Supplies, Bomdila	1	0	0	0	0
2	Textile & Handicrafts, Bomdila	0	0	0	0	0
3	Police, Bomdila	24	24	0	0	240
4	Superintending Engineer (E), A.P Electrical Circle No. IV, Power, Dirang	0	0	0	0	0
5	DC, Bomdila	9	5	4	0	5196
6	DHO, Bomdila	6	6	3	3	0
7	DTO, Bomdila	0	0	0	0	0
8	HPD, Bomdila	3	3	0	0	30
9	Horticulture, Bomdila	0	0	0	0	0
10	District Industries Centre, Bomdila	4	3	1	0	0
11	Economics & Statistics, Bomdila	0	0	0	0	0
12	Fisheries, Bomdila	0	0	0	0	0

13	Horticulturist, State Horticulture Farm, Shergoan	0	0	0	0	0
14	Agriculture, Bomdila	2	1	1	0	486
15	APEDA, Bomdila	0	0	0	0	0
16	WRD, Bomdila	16	9	0	0	448
	TOTAL	65	51	9	3	6400
3. BICHOM						
1	RWD, Nafra	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0
4. EAST KAMENG						
	TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0
5. KRA DAADI						
1	District Planning Office, Kra Daadi	4	4	0	0	690
2	Horticulture	3	4	0	0	0
3	Arunachal Pradesh Police, Palin	4	4	0	0	40
	TOTAL	11	12	0	0	730
6. KURUNG KUMEY						
1	Police	9	9	0	0	10
	TOTAL	9	9	0	0	10
7. PAKKE KESSANG						
1	Police	13	11	13	0	10
2	PWD	17	10	2	5	170
	TOTAL	30	21	15	5	180
8. PAPUMPARE						
1	PWD, Doimukh Division	22	22	0	0	1100
2	Police	32	24	6	0	60
	TOTAL	54	46	0	0	1160

9. CAPITAL COMPLEX						
1	Women & Child Development, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar	22	17	5	0	418
2	Arunachal State Rural Livelihoods Mission, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar	2	2	0	0	1948
3	A.P State Council for Science & Technology	19	19	0	0	190
4	Department of Textile & Handicrafts	19	19	0	0	973
5	Directorate of Audit & Pension	18	17	0	0	600
6	Arunachal Pradesh Medical Council, Naharlagun	4	4	2	0	10
7	Geology & Mining. Govt. of AP, Itanagar	53	53	0	0	1800
8	APSSB, Itanagar	57	56	1	0	8008
9	APPSC, Itanagar	822	17	0	0	13315
10	State Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj	2	2	0	0	
11	Arunachal Pradesh Staff Selection Board	57	56	1	0	8008

12	Samagra Shiksha, ISSE, State Project Director, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh	60	31	8	4	4850
13	Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission	822	17	0	0	13315
14	Directorate of industries, Udyog Sadan, Itanagar	27	24	7	0	1544
15	Directorate of Town Planning Under the Department of Urban Affairs	11	9	1	0	2914
16	Chief Engineer (Com.) cum CEI. Department of Power, Itanagar	9	9	0	0	1002
17	Directorate of food & civil supplies, Govt. of A.P, Naharlagun	22	11	3	0	595
18	Directorate of Secondary Education, Itanagar	122	121	8	1	1410
19	Directorate of Horticulture	21	21	0	0	3000
20	Directorate of Printing & Stationery	12	12	0	0	258
21	Department of Legal Metrology & Consumer Affairs, Naharlagun	14	14	0	0	160

22	Directorate of Art & Culture, Naharlagun	6	6	0	0	558
23	Chief Engineer, PWD, Western Zone	93	93	0	0	14,670
24	Department of PHE & WS, Western Zone, Senkhi Park	110	12	6	0	6282
25	Jarbom Gamlin Law College, Jote	1	1	0	0	10
26	Directorate of Economics and Statistics	11	3	4	0	234
27	Protocol Department GoAP, Itanagar	0	0	0	0	0
28	PWD, Naharlagun Division	20	20	0	0	1000
29	Capital Division - A, PWD, Itanagar	18	18	0	0	900
30	Capital Division - B, PWD, Itanagar	20	20	0	0	1000
31	Superintending Engineer, APEC-I, Deptt. of Power, Naharlagun	28	26	1	0	674
32	Disaster Management, Itanagar	11	11	0	0	19756
33	Chief Engineer, Urban Development, Mowb-II, Itanagar	149	65	18	0	3650
34	CE(P) WEZ, Department of Power, Itanagar	42	33	4	5	1818

35	Labour and Employment	14	11	3	0	346
36	State Election Commission	17	6	6	3	
37	Districts Administration Department, Civil Secretariate	6	3	4	0	0
38	Secretariate Administration	3	3	0	0	152
39	CE, Highway Zone, PWD, Itanagar	64	64	0	0	3246
40	Office of the Additional Resident Commissioner Department GAD, GOAP, Itanagar	0	0	0	0	0
41	Tourism	34	34	0	0	2674
42	Itanagar Municipal Corporation	46	46	1	0	1049
43	Rural Development, Itanagar	85	80	5	0	2906
44	Police, Itanagar	99	99	0	0	2,776
45	Arunachal Pradesh Space Application Centre, Itanagar	4	4	0	0	80
46	State Election Commission, Itanagar	17	6	6	3	370
47	centre for Earth Science and Himalayan Studies, DST, Itanagar	6	2	0	0	180
48	Department of Health and Family Welfare, Naharlagun	37	36	12	1	480
	TOTAL	3136	1233	106	17	1,29,129

10. LOWER SUBANSIRI						
1	District Training Officer Farmers Training Centre, Ziro	0	0	0	0	0
2	WRD, Ziro	28	24	11	0	1802
3	DFDO, Ziro	1	0	1	0	10
4	AMDO, Ziro	4	0	4	0	10
5	DPDO, Ziro	1	0	1	0	10
6	DPO O/o District Medical Officer	4	0	4	0	210
7	ARCS, Dy. Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Ziro	1	0	1	0	10
8	EE, PHE & WS	8	0	8	0	0
9	AH & Vet, Ziro	2	0	2	0	150
10	Treasury, Ziro	0	0	0	0	0
11	DHO, Ziro	2	0	2	0	4298
12	EE, PWD, Ziro	37	0	25	20	2550
13	Assistant Director, Eco & Statistics, Ziro	0	0	0	0	0
14	DLIO, District Library, Ziro	0	0	0	0	0
15	EE (E), Ziro	10	0	10	0	100
16	DD (ICDS), Ziro	1	0	1	0	494
17	SP, Ziro	15	0	15	0	150
18	DDSE, Ziro	9	0	8	1	0
19	Superintendent, Tax, Excise & Narcotics, Ziro	1	0	1	0	10
20	PHED, Ziro Division	8	8	0	0	0
21	Superintendent of Police	15	15	0	0	150
22	Department of Urban Affairs, Ziro	6	5	0	1	772

23	Rural Development, Ziro	2	2	1	0	264
24	UD & Housing, Ziro	6	0	5	1	722
25	Woman & Child Development, Ziro-I, ICDS	2	2	0	0	20
	TOTAL	163	56	100	23	11732
11. KEYI PANYOR						
1	Police Department	9	9	8	0	40
2	General Administration	14	5	1	1	1068
3	Department of Power, Yazali	6	5	1	0	82
	TOTAL	29	19	10	1	1190
12. UPPER SUBANSIRI						
1	ICDS	1	1	0	0	0
	TOTAL	1	1	0	0	0
13. KAMLE						
1	Police	17	17	0	0	0
2	RWD, Raga	10	10	0	0	0
	TOTAL	27	27	0	0	0
14. LEPARADA						
1	PWD, Basar Circle	9	1	0	2	160
2	EE, PWD, Basar Division	15	2	4	0	150
3	Deputy Commissioner, Basar	5	5	2	0	130
4	District Rural Development Agency, Basar	1	1	1	0	50
5	District Planning & Development Office	2	2	0	0	110
6	District Disaster Management Office	1	1	1	0	50
7	District Land Revenue and Settlement Office	20	20	3	0	1318

8	BDO	1	1	1	0	10
9	Superintendent of Police	20	20	20	0	20
10	District Transport Office	1	1	1	0	10
11	District Election Office	1	1	1	0	288
12	District Planning Office	1	1	1	0	42
	TOTAL	77	56	35	2	2338
15. WEST SIANG						
1	Superintendent of Police, Aalo	18	18	0	0	0
2	Department of Power	6	1	0	0	500
3	PWD, Aalo	50	50	0	0	2998
	TOTAL	74	69	0	0	3498
16. UPPER SIANG						
1	General Administration, DC Office, Yingkiong	33	33	15	0	241
2	PWD, Yingkiong Division	5	5	0	0	70
	TOTAL	38	38	15	0	311
17. SIANG						
1	PWD, Boleng Division	29	25	4	0	12075
2	Agriculture	0	0	0	0	0
3	DDSE, Siang	8	6	0	0	0
4	Superinten-dent of Police, Boleng	9	6	0	0	120
	TOTAL	46	37	4	0	12,195
18. EAST SIANG						
1	Agronomist, GTC, Pasighat	0	0	0	0	0
2	SP, Pasighat	44	44	0	0	590
3	Transmission Division No-III, Department of Power, Pasighat	0	0	0	0	0
4	Arunachal Pradesh University, Pasighat	16	15	0	0	310

5	WRD, Pasighat	19	10	1	0	178
6	Pasighat Municipal Council, Department of Urban Local Bodies	6	3	0	1	190
7	Department of Education	21	21	0	0	822
8	Police, Pasighat	44	44	0	0	590
9	RWD, Pasighat	24	24	0	0	140
	TOTAL	174	161	1	1	2820
19. LOWER SIANG						
1	PWD Nari Division, Lower Siang District	8	7	1	0	1002
2	Arunachal Pradesh Police, Lower Siang District	20	20	0	0	0
3	Directorate of Public Libraries	7	7	0	0	70
	TOTAL	35	34	1	0	1072
20. SHI YOMI						
1	Police	5	5	0	0	0
2	Horticulture	0	0	0	0	0
3	Tax & Exercise Branch, Tato	0	0	0	0	0
4	Tourism, Tato	0	0	0	0	0
5	District Planning Office, Tato	0	0	0	0	0
6	DIPRO	0	0	0	0	0
7	Education, Tato	5	5	4	1	130
8	Department of Animal Husbandry & Veterinary, Shi-Yomi	0	0	0	0	0
9	Labour & Employment Department, Tato	0	0	0	0	0
10	Health & Family Welfare, Shi Yomi	3	3	3	0	230

11	Deputy Commissioner, Shi Yomi	51	6	45	0	850
	TOTAL	128	38	104	1	2420
21. LOWER DIBANG VALLEY						
1	Roing Electrical Division, Department of Power, Roing	16	6	0	0	3346
2	Superintendent of Police, Roing	20	19	14	0	180
3	RWD, Roing Division	24	24	5	0	922
4	Agriculture	5	3	0	0	0
5	Fisheries	0	0	0	0	0
6	Geology & Mining	8	5	0	0	670
7	Textile & Handicrafts	0	0	0	0	0
8	WCD, Roing	0	0	0	0	0
9	Water Resources Department	7	5	3	0	0
10	Deputy Director of Industries	0	0	0	0	0
11	Electrical Division, Roing	16	6	0	0	3346
12	Horticulture, Roing	20	19	14	0	180
13	ADC, Dambuk	12	12	1	0	640
14	BDO, Koronu	0	0	0	0	0
15	Education	5	5	0	0	0
16	Department of Urban Affairs (Urban Developments)	6	3	1	0	136
	TOTAL	139	107	38	0	9420
22. DIBANG VALLEY						
1	Executive Engineer, DHPD, Anini	4	4	0	0	0
	TOTAL	4	4	0	0	0

23. NAMSAI						
1	Food & Civil Supply, Namsai	0	0	0	0	0
2	Textile & Handicrafts Office, Namsai	0	0	0	0	0
3	PWD, Eastern Zone, Namsai	8	7	1	0	484
4	CD Block Chongkham	2	2	0	0	0
5	EE, PWD Namsai Division	43	36	14	0	5456
6	Deputy Commissioner, Namsai	22	5	16	1	1360
7	District Agriculture Office, Namsai	7	4	2	0	30
8	Lekang CD Block, Namsai	18	18	1	0	0
9	EE, Department of Power, Namsai	4	4	0	0	380
10	ADC Office, Chongkham	0	0	0	0	0
11	APEDA, Namsai	0	0	0	0	0
12	Department of Health & Family Welfare	5	0	2	0	0
13	District Industries Centre, Namsai	0	0	0	0	0
14	Block Development Officer, Namsai	3	3	0	0	450
	TOTAL	112	79	79	1	8160
24. CHANGLANG						
1	PWD, Changlang Division	34	33	0	0	882
2	Power, A.P Electrical Circle - III, Miao	8	6	2	0	5720
3	PWD, Jairampur	8	4	0	0	80

4	Superintendent of Police, Changlang	20	20	0	0	200
5	Executive Engineer, DHPD, Yatdam	3	1	0	0	0
6	BDO, Changlang	6	6	0	0	554
7	RD, Department	7	6	7	0	0
8	Deputy Commissioner Changlang	72	60	34	0	720
9	ADC, Miao	23	15	6	2	750
10	District Administration, Jairampur	2	2	2	0	0
11	Private/ Individuals, Kharsang, Changlang	1	1	0	0	0
12	GA, Diyun, Changlang	6	6	0	0	0
13	COs, Yatdam	0	0	0	0	0
14	District AHV & DD, Changlang	1	1	0	0	0
15	Urban Development, Department of Urban Affairs, Changlang	3	3	3	0	0
16	District Election Office, Changlang	5	4	0	0	0
17	DFCSO, Changlang	2	2	0	0	1090
18	Art & Culture, District Tourism Department, Changlang	0	0	0	0	0
19	Principal, Rang-Frah Govt. College, Changlang	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	201	170	54	2	9996

25. TIRAP						
1	DC, Tirap	18	2	12	4	0
2	Food & Civil Supplies, Khonsa, Tirap	1	1	0	0	10
3	Economics & Statistics, Khonsa	0	0	0	0	0
4	District Industries Centre, Khonsa	0	0	0	0	0
5	Geology & Mining, Khonsa	0	0	0	0	0
6	RWD, Khonsa	14	10	0	0	110
7	District Research Office, Khonsa	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	33	13	12	4	120
26. LONGDING						
1	Textiles & Handicrafts	0	0	0	0	0
2	Longding Electrical Division	6	6	0	0	70
3	General Administration, Longding	0	0	0	0	0
4	DAO Longding	0	0	0	0	0
5	Disaster Management	0	0	0	0	0
6	Department of Education	8	6	0	0	676
7	WRD, Longding	10	6	5	4	202
8	Department of Planning, Longding	0	0	0	0	0
9	Police, Longding	9	9	0	0	0
10	DC, Longding	0	0	0	0	0
11	Geology & Minig	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	33	27	5	4	1896
27. LOHIT						
1	PWD, Tezu	36	36	0	0	2312
2	SE, Power, A.P. Electrical Circle - VII	15	15	0	0	150
3	EE, Tezu Electrical Division	16	16	0	0	232

4	Chief Engineer (DLT) Basin, DHPD, Tezu	7	3	4	0	108
5	PHE & WS	19	10	0	0	190
6	Police	19	19	0	0	0
7	RWD, Tezu	46	46	21	0	2714
8	CD-Block, Tezu	7	4	1	0	1029
9	Animal Husbandry Veterinary & Dairy Development	1	1	0	0	0
10	DC, Lohit	0	0	0	0	0
11	ALC Branch, Tezu	2	2	0	0	210
12	District Library Office, Tezu	0	0	0	0	0
13	Industries, DIC, Tezu	0	0	0	0	0
14	Disaster Management	0	0	0	0	0
15	APEDA	2	2	0	0	84
16	Tax Exercise & Narcotics, Tezu	5	5	0	0	0
17	DFDO, Tezu	0	0	0	0	0
18	District Food & Civil Supplies, Tezu	2	2	0	0	60
19	Department of Election	0	0	0	0	0
20	APSTS	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	177	161	26	0	7089
28. ANJAW						
1	RD, Hawaii	6	6	0	0	134
2	District Food & Civil Supplies, Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0
3	JMFC-cum-Civil Judge, Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0
4	Police-Hawaii	14	13	0	0	30
5	WRD, Hawaii	20	20	0	0	270
6	PWD, Hayuliang Division	34	34	0	0	280
	TOTAL	74	73	0	0	714

(17) Complaint U/S 18(1) and Second Appeal U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received by the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission during the period, 2025-26.

Sl. No.	Dept Name	Total Complaint Registered	Total Complaint Disposed	Total Appeal Registered	Total Appeal Disposed/ Remanded Back/ Dismissed	Total Cases Pending
1	Agriculture	0	0	3	2	1
2	AH & VET	0	0	1	1	0
3	Anti-Corruption Bureau	0	0	1	1	0
4	Arunachal Pradesh Public Service Commission	0	0	2	1	1
5	Arunachal Pradesh Building & Other Construction Workers Welfare Board	0	0	2	1	1
6	Arunachal Centre for Earth Science & Himalayan Studies	0	0	1	0	1
7	State Election Commission	0	0	2	1	1
8	Dept. of Science & Technology	0	0	1	0	0
9	Department of IT & C	0	0	1	0	1
10	Department of Land Management	0	0	2	2	0
11	Dera Natung College	0	0	1	1	0
12	Director, Namdapha National Park	0	0	1	1	0

13	Directorate of Women & Child Development	0	0	1	1	0
14	District Administration	1	1	28	18	10
15	Economics & Statistics	0	0	1	1	0
16	Education	1	0	35	17	19
17	Environment & Forest	2	1	88	46	43
18	Food and Civil Supplies	0	0	1	1	0
19	Fisheries	0	0	1	1	0
20	Geology & Mining	0	0	13	9	4
21	Health & Family Welfare	0	0	11	6	5
	Home	1	1	0	0	0
22	Horticulture	0	0	2	1	1
23	Hydropower	0	0	10	6	4
24	Itanagar Municipal Corporation	0	0	1	1	0
25	Industries & Commerce	0	0	5	4	1
26	Labour & Employment	0	0	15	2	13
27	Land Management	1	0	37	14	24
28	Panchayati Raj	0	0	17	11	6
29	Personnel	1	1	1	0	1
30	Planning & Investment	0	0	3	3	0
31	Police	0	0	3	3	0
32	Power (Electrical)	2	1	62	32	31

33	Printing & Stationary	0	0	1	1	0
34	PHE & WS	1	1	52	25	27
35	PWD	2	1	229	130	100
	Paralympic Association of Arunachal	1	1	0	0	0
36	Research	0	0	2	0	2
37	Rural Development	1	0	140	75	66
38	RWD	0	0	107	44	64
39	Science & Technology	0	0	1	0	1
40	SJETA	0	0	6	3	3
41	Sports	0	0	6	3	3
42	Smart City Development Corporation Ltd	0	0	2	2	0
43	State Election Commission	0	0	1	1	0
44	Tax & Excise	0	0	1	1	0
45	Textiles & Handicrafts	0	0	6	6	0
46	Tourism	0	0	1	1	0
47	Trade & Commerce	0	0	11	11	0
48	UD & Housing	0	0	9	7	2
49	Women and Child Development	0	0	4	2	2
50	WRD	1	1	2	0	2
51	Youth Affairs	0	0	1	0	1
	TOTAL	15	9	935	500	441