



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, (APIC)

ITANAGAR.

Complaint Case U/S 18 (1) of RTI Act, 2005 Case No. APIC- 03/2024.

Shri Tania June, E-Sector Naharlagun PO/PS Naharlagun.

:APPELLANT

Vs

The PIO, o/o Executive Engineer (PWD), Naharlagun

:RESPONDENT

Division, Papum Pare District, (A.P)

ORDER

This is a Complaint under Section 18(1) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Tania June for denial of information by the PIO, o/o the Executive Engineer (PWD), Naharlagun Division, Papum Pare District, (A.P) as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 02.09.2024.

Facts:

The brief facts of the case are that the complainant, vide his application dated 02-09-2024, had requested for information regarding details of various categories of staff engaged under the establishment of the o/o the PIO but he was denied the information and therefore, filed this complaint under Section 18 of RTI Act. 2005.

Hearing & Decision:

This complaint was, accordingly, listed for hearing on 6th Nov., 2024 wherein Er. Shri Pema Dorjee Khochi, AE and APIO, o/o the EE (PWD), Naharlagun Division was present but the complainant was absent.

In the course of hearing, the APIO had submitted that the sought for information could not be furnished to the complainant because the information sought by him was indiscriminate and impractical and also that collecting and printing of such multiple categories of voluminous documents will take considerable time and manpower. In this regard the APIO had also produced a copy of letter dated 12-09-2024 addressed to the complainant, Shri Tania June intimating the said reason for denial of information.

Since the complainant's primary demand was for disclosure of information and wa denied by the o/o the PIO which prompted him to file this complaint, this Commission deemed appropriate to find out from the complainant, before adjudicating thereon, as to whether he sti wish to obtain the information or to proceed with the necessary action against the PIO under section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005. But in the first hearing, the Commission could not come to the conclusion about the real intention of the complainant as he was absent in the hearing.

This Commission, therefore, adjourned the hearing of this case to 29th Nov. 2024 at 2 PM so that the complainant could be heard and find out his real intention and accordingly, proceed with the adjudication of the matter further. However, on 29th Nov. 2024, both the PIO and the complainant were absent. Hence, the hearing of the case had to be adjourned again to 13.12.2024 with warning to the parties, especially the complainant, that he must be present in the hearing and made it clear that if he failed to appear, it will be presumed that he is not interested in redressal of his grievance and accordingly, the complaint shall be closed.

In the hearing on 13.12.2024 (Friday) 2 pm, both the complainant and the APIO were present in person.

This Commission heard both the parties and explained to them, particularly, the complainant about the procedures prescribed under section 18 and section 19 of the Act and the efficacy thereof whereupon the complainant agreed to have his grievance redressed as an appeal under section 19(3).

This Commission, accordingly, handed over the documents brought in by the APIO to the complainant who went through the same and being satisfied with the documents, agreed for disposal of this case.

Under the premises as above, this complaint / appeal no longer warrants further adjudication by this Commission and as such, stands disposed of and closed.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 16th December, 2024.

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

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December, 2024 Dated Itanagar, the

Copy to:-

The PIO, o/o the Executive Engineer (PWD) Naharlagun Division, Papum Pare District (A.P.) (9774873109) for information.

2. Shri Tania June, E-Sector Naharlagun PIN: 791110 Mobile No. 8131848230 for information.

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