

ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, (APIC) ITANAGAR, ARUNACHAL PRADESH

An appeal case U/S 18(1) of RTI Act, 2005 Vide Case No.APIC-05/2024

Shri Nabam Tai

-V/S-

PIO-cum-DFO, Yingkiong Division, Upper Siang District, Govt. of A.P.

JUDGMENT/ORDER

This is an appeal filed under sub-section (1) of Section 18 of the RTI 2005. Brief fact of the case is that the Complainant, Shri Nabam Tai on 16/02/2024 filed an RTI application in form 'A' before the PIO-cum-DFO, Yingkiong Forest Division, District Upper Siang, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh. Whereby seeking various information as quoted in Form 'A' application. The Complainant being not satisfied with the information received from the PIO filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 17/06/2024. Complainant again having not received the required information from the FAA, filed the Complaint before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on 13/08/2024 and the Registry of the Commission (APIC) having receipt of the complaint registered it as APIC- No. 05/2024 (Complaint) and processed the same for its hearing and disposal. Accordingly, matter came up for hearing before the Commission on 28.11.2024. In the last hearing of the Complaint, the Complainant Shri Nabam Tai found absent. The PIO-cum-DFO, Yingkiong Forest Division, Upper Siang District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh is not present in person but conveyed the Commission through telephonic mode, that the first appeal of the Complainant was dismissed by the First Appellate Authority for the fact that despite repeated notice for hearing sent to the Complainant by the First Appellate Authority on 10.07.2024, 29.07.2024, 16.08.2024 and 30.08.2024, the Complainant was absent and therefore, despite giving ample chance of hearing, the repeated absence of the Complainant, the First Appellate Authority dismissed the Appeal ex-parte.

An Appellant who has intentionally absented multiple times in the hearing of his appeal in the court of the First Appellate Authority, with unscrupulous motives to waste the resources of the PIO and the First Appellate Authority and approach the State Information Commission with a Complaint against the decision of the First Appellate Authority, can not be entertained further more to waste the resources of the PIO and let a public office suffer in attending to court hearings for an appeal under the RTI, Act, 2005.

In view of the above facts and circumstances the Commission finds this Complaint fit to be dismissed and closed. And, accordingly, this Complaint stands dismissed with liberty given to the Complainant to file fresh application if needed for the said information that he had sought from the PIO.

Judgment/Order pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this 28th day of November, 2024. Copy of Judgment/Order be furnished to the parties

Given under my hand and seal of this Court on this 28th day of November, 2024.

Sd/-

(Vijay Taram)

State Information Commissioner

APIC, Itanagar.

Memo.No.APIC-05/2024/ M Dated Itanagar, the Dec. 2024. Copy to:

(i) The PIO-cum-DFO, Yingkiong Division, Upper Siang District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please.

(ii) Shri Nabam Tai, PO/PS Nirjuli, P/Pare District, A.P for information and necessary action please. Contact No. 8798128194.

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APIC, Itanagar.

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