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

Vide Case No.APIC-249/2024

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

Shri Chow Puwan Chowpoo

..... Appellant

-VERSUS-

PIO-Cum-District Agriculture Officer,
Namsai Div. Namsai District,
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

..... Respondent.

Order: 29.04.2025.

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 Appellant Shri Chow Puwan Chawpoo on **06/02/2024** filed an RTI application in Form- 'A' before the PIO-cum-District Agriculture Officer (ADO), Namsai, Namsai District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh. Whereby seeking various information as quoted in Form 'A' application. The Appellant being not satisfied with the information received from the PIO filed the First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **29/05/2024**. Appellant again having not received the required information from the FAA, filed the second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on **19/09/2024** and the Registry of the Commission (APIC) having receipt of the complaint registered it as **APIC- No- 249/2024 (Appeal)** and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

Accordingly, matter came up for hearing before the Commission for 2 (two) consecutive times, on **12.12.2024 & 29.04.2025**. In the second hearing of the Appeal the Appellant found absent without intimating the Commission the reasons for his inability to attend the hearing.

The PIO is represented by the APIO, Shri Lenjing Dai, ADO Namsai District, Head Quarter, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, during the hearing before the Commission.

Heard the APIO;

The APIO stated before the Commission that as per the order of the Commission all the information(s) have been furnished to the Appellant and sent it through postal service on 16.01.2025 to the address of the Appellant.

Hearing:

The Appeal was heard on, 12.12.2024 and 29.04.2025 upon reviewing the submissions from both parties, this Court finds the following:

The PIO on 12.12.2024 was directed to provide complete information(s) pertaining to the cumulative amount/money that was paid to the beneficiaries and the Appellant was directed to intimate the Commission about the information(s) received completely or not before the next hearing, failing which appeal will be heard ex-parte, even after warning the Appellant is absent in the hearing today on 29.04.2025.

The absence of the Appellant indicates a sense of non-seriousness and receipt of complete information(s) from the office of the PIO. As a result, the Court is left to determine the merits of the Appeal based on the submission and documentation provided by the APIC.

Order;

In view of the above facts and circumstance the Commission pronounces this Appeal ex-parte. And, accordingly, this Appeal stands disposed and closed once for all.

Judgment/Order pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this 29th day of April' 2025. Copy of Judgment/Order be furnished to the parties.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission/Court on this 29th day of April' 2025.

Sd/-

(Vijay Taram)

State Information Commissioner
APIC-Itanagar

Memo.No.APIC-249/A/2024 / 724

Dated Itanagar, the 2nd May, 2025.

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1. PIO-Cum-O/O District Agriculture Officer, Namsai Div. Namsai District, Govt of Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please. **Pin Code- 792103.**
2. Shri Chow Puwan Chowpoo, Mimey Village, PO-Kheren, Namsai District Arunachal Pradesh for information please. **Contact No. 9366132795**
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