



**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION ITANAGAR**

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF SHRI SANGYAL TSERING BAPPU, STATE  
INFORMATION COMMISSIONER**

**Under Section 19(3) RTI Act, 2005**

**Appeal No. APIC-372/2023**

**Shri Jumnya Dini,  
Vill: -Liru, PO/PS- Likabali : Appellant  
District Lower Siang, (A.P).**

**PIO O/o the DFO, Likhabali Forest : Respondent  
Division, District Lower Siang,  
(A.P).**

This is an appeal under section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from **Shri Jumnya Dini, Village – Liru, PO/PS Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh**, for non-furnishing of information by **the PIO (DFO, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh)** as sought for by the Appellant under Section 6(1) in Form-A of RTI Act, 2005.

Date of filling of RTI application	08.12.2023
PIO's response	-
Date of filing of First Appeal	19.01.2023
First Appellate Authority's response	-
Date of diarized receipt of Second Appeal by the Commission	02.05.2023
Date (s) of Hearing in the Commission	09.08.23, 13.09.23, 18.10.23, 16.11.23, 20.12.23, 24.01.24, 22.03.24 & 07.06.24
Date of order/decision	26.06.2024

**ORDER**

**Facts of the case:**

The brief facts as reveal from the records are that the Appellant, Shri Jumnya Dini, resident of Liru Village, PO & PS Likabali, Lower Siang District filed an application under the RTI Act, 2005 before the PIO, o/o the DFO, Likabali Division seeking information / documents on 6(six) points on the scheme-wise fund received during the Financial Years - 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21 & 2021-22 which, inter alia, include copy of LOC, copy of work orders, copy of Bills etc.

Having failed to obtain the information / documents from the PIO, the Appellant filed 1<sup>st</sup> appeal dt.19.01.2023 before the First Appellate Authority (FAA), the Chief Conservative of Forest, Central Circle, Department of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Pasighat.

The records further reveal that the FAA, Shri P. Ringu, IFS, the Chief Conservative of Forest, Central Circle, Department of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Pasighat, after scheduling and re-scheduling the date of hearing of the appeal on 03.03.2023 and 17.03.2023 respectively conducted the hearing finally on 26.03.2023 which was attended by both the PIO, Shri Bajum Taba (DFO), Likabali and the Appellant Shri Jumnya Dini and in consequence thereof the FAA had passed an order dt.20.03.2023 directing the PIO to furnish the information within 30 days as the information /document sought for by the Appellant are not covered by the exemption provisions under section 8(1) of the RTI Act.

However, having failed to obtain the information from the PIO inspite of the direction of the FAA, the Appellant, vide his Memo of Appeal dt.02.05.2024, preferred this Second Appeal before the Commission under section 19(3) of the RTI Act.

**Hearing and decision:**

The appeal was heard for 8 times. In the 1<sup>st</sup>, second and 3<sup>rd</sup> hearings on 09.08.23, 13.09.23 and 18.10.23 respectively which were attended by the Ld. Counsel for the PIO, Shri Lizar Bui and the Appellant, the Commission directed the PIO to provide the information sought for by the Appellant and during the intervening period between 3<sup>rd</sup> hearing on 18.10.2023 and 4<sup>th</sup> hearing on 16.11.2023, the PIO had provided the requested information and in the 4<sup>th</sup> hearing on 16.11.2023, the Appellant who received the information was directed to go through the same and inform his satisfaction or otherwise on or before the next date of hearing fixed on 20.12.2023.

In the 5<sup>th</sup> hearing on 20.12.2023, the Appellant demanded that if the work has been implemented without any tender then an affidavit to that effect be furnished by the PIO which the Commission considered and accordingly directed the PIO through his Counsel, Shri Lizar Bui who represented him to furnish the same.

In the 6<sup>th</sup> hearing on 24.01.2024, the PIO and the Appellant were represented by their respective Counsels, Shri Lizar Bui and Shri Ravi Shankar. The Commission, after hearing both the parties, reiterated its earlier direction to provide the affidavit which was agreed to and assured by the Ld. Counsel for the PIO.

In the 7<sup>th</sup> hearing on 22.03.2024 both the parties were absent and, in the 8<sup>th</sup>, hearing the Appellant was present but the counsel for the PIO intimated his inability to attend the hearing and as such the hearing was again adjourned to 05.07.2023 reiterating its earlier direction. However, in the meantime, the Appellant, Shri Jumnya Dini, vide his letter dt.24.06.2024 addressed to the Commission and delivered through counsel for the PIO, Shri Lizar Bui, intimated that he has received the affidavit sworn in by the PIO with all the relevant documents and pleaded the Commission to dispose of and close the appeal in question.

Under the premises as above, the Commission finds that no further adjudication on the appeal is warranted and therefore, the appeal stands closed for once and for all.

Sd/-  
(S.Tsering Bappu )  
State Information Commissioner,  
APIC, Itanagar.

Memo.No. APIC- 372/2023/ 132  
to:

Dated, Itanagar, the 1 July 2024 Copy

1. The CCF – Cum – FAA, Central Arunachal Circle, Pasighat Department of Environment, Forest & Climate Change Govt.of (A.P) PIN:791125.
2. The PIO (DFO, Likhabali Forest Division) Lower Siang District Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, for information.
3. Shri Jumnya Dini, Vill: - Liru, PO/PS- Likhabali, District Lower Siang, Arunachal Pradesh for information.
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