



**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR**

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF SHRI RINCHEN DORJEE, STATE CHIEF
INFORMATION COMMISSIONER**

No.APIC-01/2024

Dated, Itanagar the 23rd July, 2024

An Appeal Under Section 19(3) RTI Act, 2005

Appellant: Shri Byabang Noah & Shri Rechi Thomas Jollang, Daath Village, Itanagar, Papum Pare, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111, (M) 943628112 / 8257952356 / 9366415459.

Vs

Respondent: The Public Information Officer (PIO), Govt. of A.P., Department Economic & Statistics, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111.

Date of 1st Hearing:- 23-07-2024

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 filed by Shri Byabang Noah & Shri Rechi Thomas Jollang, Daath Village, Itanagar, Papum Pare, Arunachal Pradesh, for non-furnishing of information by the Public Information Officer (PIO), Govt. of A.P., Department Economic & Statistics, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, as sought by the Appellant under section 6(1) of RTI Act, 2005 vide Form-A Dated 11/10/2023 regarding **appointment Field Investigator (F.I.) (Now S.I.) appointed in the year 2016.**

The 1st hearing is held today on 23rd July' 2024 (Tuesday) at 1030 Hrs. The Appellant Shri Rechi Thomas is present. The PIO-Cum- Deputy Director, Economics & Statistics Deptt., Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar is absent. The Appellant in his submission stated that till date the PIO did not furnish the information as sought for by him.

The Commission observes that the matter has not been heard by the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As per the principle of natural justice fair opportunities of being heard should be given to both the parties and after hearing both the party's decision should be given in speaking order on merits. If the Appellant is aggrieved by the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), the Appellant may appeal to the 2nd Appellate Authority within 90 days from the date of order of the First Appellate Authority (FAA).

Hence, the appeal case is premature, and therefore, it is remanded to the First Appellate Authority (FAA) for its proper hearing by giving equal opportunity of natural justice and pass necessary judgment order on speaking order on merits. The case will be heard by the Commission on its appeal, if the appellant is not satisfied or aggrieved by the order of the First Appellate Authority (FAA).

The matter is disposed of and closed.

N.B: - PIO and Appellant can also avail online mode of hearing by downloading "**Webex App**" from Google Play store and may contact **Shri Himanshu Verma** at **Mob:- 8878891768** for further technical assistance.

Order copies be issued to all the parties.

Sd/-

(Rinchen Dorjee)

State Chief Information Commissioner
Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission
Itanagar

Dated, Itanagar the

25 July'2024

Memo No.APIC-01/2024

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Copy to:

1. The FAA-Cum- Director (Economic & Statistic), Govt. of A.P., O/o Directorate of Economic & Statistic, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111 to ensure fair hearing of both the parties within your jurisdiction.
2. The Deputy Commissioner, Govt. of A.P., Capital Complex, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111 to ensure attendance of the Public Information Officer (PIO), Govt. of A.P., Department Economic & Statistics, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, for information and needful action.
3. Computer Programmer, APIC, Itanagar, to upload in APIC Website & send mail to all the parties.
4. Case file.

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Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission
Itanagar
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Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission
Itanagar