

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

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

Vide Case No.APIC- 422/2023

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

Shri Takheng Lamnio

-VERSUS-

PIO-cum-Extra Assistant Commissioner, Seppa

12.06.202<u>4</u>. Judgment/Order:

JUDGMENT/ORDER

This is an appeal filed under sub-section (3) of Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005. Brief fact of the case is that the appellants Shri Takheng Lamnio on 21.02.2023 filed an RTI application under Form-'A' before the PIO-Cum-Extra Assistant Commissioner, Seppa, East Kameng, 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 on 27.03.2023, Appellant, again having not received the required information from the FAA, filed the Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission on 16.05.2023 and the Registry of the Commission (APIC), having receipt of the appeal, registered it as APIC No. 422/2023 and processed the same for its hearing and disposal.

Accordingly, matter came up for hearing before the Commission for 8 (eight) times i.e on 26.06.2023, 07.08.2023, 25.09.2023, 16.10.2023, 04/12/2023, 22.01.2024, 08.04.2024 and 12.06.2024. In this hearing of the appeal on 12th day of June, 2024, Appellant Shri Takheng Lamnio present but PIO-cum-Extra Assistant Commissioner, Seppa found absent.

As per order dated 04/9/2023 during the 5th hearing, the Commission invoked under Sub-Section (1) of Section-20 of the RTI Act, 2005 and imposed penalty amount of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand) only against the PIO for violation of Sub-Section (1) of Section-7 of the RTI Act, 2005. And the PIO was also directed to furnish the copy of the penalty deposit treasury challan to the Commission. Moreover, the PIO was again directed to compensate the appellant a sum of Rs. 5000- (Rupees five thousand)only for monetary losses which incurred during to & fro journey expenses etc.

The PIO has deposited the penalty amount and treasury challan is submitted in the Commission. PIO has submitted an affidavit declaration stating that information available is already furnished to appellant and remaining information sought by the appellant is not available in the office record.

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In consideration to the affidavit declaration made by the PIO, the Commission is of the view that no information is available with the Public authority other than the information already provided to the appellant.

In view of the above facts and circumstances, I find this appeal fit to be disposed of and closed. And, accordingly, this appeal stands disposed of and closed once for all.

Judgment/Order pronounced in the open Court of this Commission today on this 12th day of June, 2024. Each copy of Judgment/Order be furnished to the parties.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission/Court on this 12th day of June, 2024.

Memo.No.APIC-422/2023/ / 5 7 Copy to:

1. The PIO-cum-Extra Assistant Commissioner Seppa, East Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please. Pin code: 790102

2. Shri Takeng Lamnio, Ghopur near KV2 School, Itanagar, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please. Contact No. 9402843687

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State Information Commissioner