



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION

TANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005

Case No. APIC- 251/2024.

**Shri Denny Lamgu, Yungte Yungme Apartment,
Tarajuli Village Naharlagun, River view Colony, Near
Railway Station, Yupia**

: APPELLANT

Vs

**The PIO, o/o the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO),
Likabali, Lower Siang District, (A.P)**

: RESPONDENT

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Denny Lamgu for denial of information by the PIO, o/o the Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali, Lower Siang District (A.P) as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 20.05.2024.

Facts emerging from the appeal:

The records reveal that the appellant had requested the PIO o/o the Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali, Lower Siang Distt. for furnishing the following information:

1. Particulars of information: Regarding State CAMPA 2021-22 to 2023-24-
 - a) Annexure-A(2021-22);
 - b) Annexure-B (2022-23) and
 - c) Annexure-C (2023-24)
2. Details of information:
 - a) Details of work under CAMPA i.e approved AOP for 2021-22 to 2023-24;
 - b) Details of work order given to all the respective firm;
 - c) Details of department executed copy with bill voucher and challans;
 - d) NIT No and paper cutting of all works done with office work order of each items;
 - e) Department sanction order copy;
 - f) Details of respective firms and payment made by the department against the firm;
 - g) Copy of Range wise fund distributed by DFO;
 - h) Details of cheque leaf issued by DFOs and all Range Forest Officers to respective firms/contractor
 - i) Utilisation Certificate copy and photographs of every item of State CAMPA.

Records also reveal that the appellant failed to obtain the sought for information from the PIO which prompted him to file his 1st appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA), the Chief Conservator of Forest (CCF), Central Circle, Pasighat under section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 vide his Memo of Appeal dt.03.07.24 in response to which the FAA, vide letter dt.05.08.2024, while stating that the RTI application of the applicant is no accompanied by the necessary documents, among others, the BPL Certificate, had advised the applicant/appellant to produce the said documents within 10 days for consideration of the appeal by the FAA.

In the re-joinder letter dt.13.08.2024, the applicant/appellant informed the FAA that he is ready to pay the cost of the documents and requested the FAA not to insist on the BPL Certificate. Further, the applicant/appellant, vide his subsequent letter dt.16.08.2024, requested the FAA to conduct the hearing of his appeal.

The F.A.A had heard the appeal on 30.09.2024 wherein the respondent, both the PIO and the applicant/appellant were present and passed the following order: -

- “(1) The information sought by the Appellant is not covered under section 8 of the RTI Act, 2005 and are admissible to be disclosed before the public domain.
- (2) The PIO cum DFO Likabali is to provide the information as sought by the Appellant vide his RTI application No. Nil Dated 20/05/24 within 30 days’ time from the date of issue of this order.
- (3) Since the Appellant has sought information on works under State Campa against the approved AOP for the period from 2021-22 to 2023-24 and considering the acute shortage of Office Staff in the Division Office and non- posting of attached ACF in Likabali Forest Division if the PIO cum DFO Likabali feel that sought for information is not specific and too voluminous, he may request the Appellant and intimate his finding with suggestion to the information seeker to seek for specific information for one scheme and for one Financial Year so that the same could be furnish to the Appellant before the lapse of 30 days time. Accordingly, the Appellant, Shri Denny Lamgu also agreed to it.
- (4) The Appellant is at the Liberty to file second appeal before the State Information Commissioner, Itanagar if he not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority.”

The PIO, however, did not furnish the information despite the order of the F.A.A on the ground that the information sought for by the applicant/appellant is too voluminous and also not specific. Hence, the appellant filed this 2nd appeal before this Commission under section 19(3) of the RTI Act which has been registered on 24.09.2024 and heard for 3 times on 22.11.2024, 10.01.2025 and 31.01.2025.

Hearing and decision:

In the hearing on 22/11/24, this Commission directed the PIO to furnish the sought for information on the schemes listed in the Annexure-A and C minus those reduced by the Appellant within 45 days from the date of receipt of this order and the appellant shall within 1(one) week from the date of receipt of the information from the PIO, intimate his satisfaction or otherwise to this Commission.

Accordingly, this appeal was adjourned to 10/01/25 wherein the Appellant, Shri Denny Lamgu and the Advocate Lizar Bui, representing the PIO were present. This Commission reiterating it’s earlier interim order passed on 22.11.2024 adjourned the hearing to 31.01.2025.

In today’s hearing on 31.01.2025, none of the parties appeared but the appellant, vide letter dt.31.01.2025 intimated that he has received the documents from the PIO with which is fully satisfied and that the appeal be, therefore, disposed of. In view thereof, this appeal stands disposed of and closed.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 31st January, 2025.


Sd/-
(S. TSERING BAPPU)
State Information Commissioner,
APIC, Itanagar.

Memo No. APIC-251/2024/ (251)

Dated Itanagar, the 4 February, 2025

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