



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, APIC
ITANAGAR

RIGHT TO INFORMATION BEFORE THE COURT OF SHRI KHOPEY THALEY, STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

No. APIC-554/2023

Dated Itanagar, theDec' 2024

(Under Section 20 (1) RTI Act, 2005)
(Or. 5, R.3 of CPC)

Appellant:
Shri Lokam Namdu

-VS-

Respondent :
PIO-cum- EE (PHE & WS)
Sangram, Kurung Kumey Dist.

ORDER.

The 9th hearing was held on 9th December, 2024 related to the APIC No-554/2023 (Appeal). Appellant Shri Lokam Namdu present during the hearing but the PIO-cum-Executive Engineer (PHE & WS) Sangram found absent without any intimation to the Commission.

During the hearing the appellant intimated to the Commission PIO has not provide any information.

The PIO was issued consecutively 4(four) times Show Cause Notice dated 12/06/2024, 31/07/2024, 04/09/2024 and 09/10/2024 as to why not impose the Sub-section-1 of the Section-20 against the PIO for the gross violation of the Sub-Section-1 of the Section-7 of the RTI Act, 2005 and the PIO was directed to reply of the notice immediately and appear before the Commission in the next date of hearing but he failed to comply the direction of the Commission.

The Commission viewed seriously on the reluctant attitude of the PIO to reply the show cause notices issue against him and repeated absence of the PIO for 9 (nine) times on dated 16/10/2023, 04/12/2023, 22/01/2024, 03/04/2024, 12/06/2024, 31/07/2024, 04/09/2024, 09/10/2024 & 18/11/2024, the Commission invoked the Sub-Section (1) of the Section 20 of the RTI Act, 2005 and imposed penalty 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 on 18/11/2024. The PIO was directed to submit the copy of penalty deposit Treasury Challan to the Commission on or before next date of hearing and directed to pay compensate amount of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees five thousand) to the appellant. But he again failed to comply the direction of the Commission.

In view of the above facts & circumstances, the PIO is given Last Chance to pay penalty amount of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand) only as imposed against the PIO on the last hearing dated 18/11/2024 and also to pay compensate amount of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees five thousand) to the appellant on or before next date of hearing. Failing which recommendation for Departmental action will be initiated against the PIO as per RTI Act, 2005.

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Next date of hearing intimated to the appellant, no formal notice required to be issued.

Next date of hearing fixed on **03/02/2025 at 1030 hours.**

Sd/-
(Khohey Thaley)
State Information Commissioner
APIC, Itanagar.

Dated Itanagar, the...2...December, 2024.

Memo. No. APIC-554/2023/231
Copy to:

1. The Deputy Commissioner, Kurung Kumey District for kind information and necessary action please.
2. The PIO-cum-Executive Engineer (PHE & WS), Sangram Division. Kurung Kumey District, Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action. Pin Code:- 791118.
3. Shri Lokam Namdu, Kankar Nakkah, Naharlagun Papum Pare District Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action. **Contact No. 9362166831**
4. The Computer Programmer/Operator, for uploading on the website of APIC and mail.
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