





#### ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION ITANAGAR

# BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF MAJOR GENERAL JARKEN GAMLIN, AVSM, SM, VSM (RETD), STATE CHIEF INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

No.APIC-991/2023

## Dated, Itanagar the 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2024

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

**Appellant:** 

Shri Nabam Jairam, Village Langdung Circle, Sangdupota, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111, (M) 9436266560.

Vs

**Respondent:** Shri Dohu Robin, the PIO-cum-Director (Environment and Climate Change), Govt. of A.P. Department of Environment & Forest, Itanagar, District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111.

## <u>ORDER</u>

1). This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 filed by Shri Nabam Jairam, Village Langdung Circle, Sangdupota, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh, for non-furnishing of information by the PIO-cum-Director (Environment and Climate Change),Govt. of A.P. Department of Environment & Forest, Itanagar, District, Arunachal Pradesh as sought by the Appellant under section 6(1) of RTI Act, 2005 vide Form-A Dated 01/08/2023 regarding National Adaptation Fund for Climate Change (NAFCC).

2). The re-scheduled 3<sup>rd</sup> hearing was held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2024. Shri Dohu Robin, the PIO-cum-Director (Environment and Climate Change),Govt. of A.P. Department of Environment & Forest, Itanagar, District, Arunachal Pradesh was represented by Shri Punyo Tania (Fr). The Appellant Shri Nabam Jairam was present.

3). The PIO vide letter No. For (Env.) 155 /2019 / 2399-2400 Dated 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2024 submitted that Sl.no. iii, iv, v, vi & vii of RTI application Form-A Dated 01/08/2023 had already been refurnished to the Appellant. The PIO also has submitted a copy of letter No. For (Env.) 155/2019 / 2389-90 Dated 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2024 addressed to the Appellant.

4). The Appellant submitted that he had personally visited the offices of the entire executive agencies as informed by the PIO but was not furnished the information. Some of the department feigned ignorance; while some informed that information would be available in the Forest department. The Appellant was provided with some photographs by the Veterinary Department. The Appellant also informed that he had not received the letter No. For (Env.) 155/2019 / 2389-90 Dated 25<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2024 addressed to him.

5). The Commission viewed the inaction by the departments / executing agencies seriously despite court order dated 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2024.

6). The FAA-cum-Chief Conservator of Forest (Environment and Climate Change), Govt. of A.P. Department of Environment & Forest, Zero Point, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh is hereby directed to take the matter seriously and direct the concerned PIOs of the executing agencies to furnish information to the Appellant under intimation to the Commission. If the information are not available under their control, the PIOs should respond diligently. The action should be taken within thirty days from the receipt of this order, failing which the Commission shall be compelled to recommend disciplinary action under sub-section (2) of section (20) of the RTI Act, 2005 and report to the authority for appropriate action under sub-section (5) of section (25) of the RTI Act, 2005.

7). The Commission further directed the PIO-cum-Director (Environment and Climate Change), Govt. of A.P. Department of Environment & Forest, Itanagar, District, Arunachal Pradesh to furnish AFFIDAVIT stating that the information as sought for by the Appellant in Form-A dated 01/08/2023 are not available in his office and that the same should be obtained from implementing agency, with specific name of work mentioned against each implementing agency. A copy of AFFIDAVIT should be submitted to the Commission. The action should be taken within fifteen days from the date of issue of this order.

8). The Appellant was asked to collect the AFFIDAVIT from the office of the PIO and inform the Commission on or before 8<sup>th</sup> January, 2025.

9). The next date of hearing shall be fixed after receipt of confirmation from the Appellant.

Order copies be issued to all the parties.

Sd/-

[Major General Jarken Gamlin, AVSM, SM, VSM (Retd)], State Chief Information Commissioner Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission Itanagar

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December,2024

Memo No.APIC-991/2023 14 6 Copy to:

1. The FAA-cum-Chief Conservator of Forest (Environment and Climate Change), Govt. of A.P. Department of Environment & Forest, Zero Point, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111 for information and necessary action please.

Dated, Itanagar the

- 2. Shri Dohu Robin, the PIO-cum-Director (Environment and Climate Change), Govt. of A.P. Department of Environment & Forest, Itanagar, District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111.
- 3. The Dy. Mission Director, Deptt. Of Env. Forests & Climate Change, Itanagar, PIN-791111.
- 4. The Director, Soil & Water Conservation, Deptt. of RWD, GoAP, Itanagar, PIN-791111.
- 5. The MD, Arunachal Pradesh Forest Corporation Ltd. (APFCL), Chimpu, Papumpare District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN- 791111.
- 6. The Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Social Forestry Division, Banderdewa, Govt. of A.P. Banderdewa, Papumpare District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN- 791123.
- 7. The District Veterinary Officer (DVO), Govt. of A.P., Yupia, Papumpare District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN- 791110.
- 8. The Dy. MD, Sub-Mission on Agro forestry (SMAF), o/o PCCF, Govt. of A.P., Zero Point, Itanagar, PIN-791111.
- 9. Shri Nabam Jairam, Village Langdung Circle, Sangdupota, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN-791111, (M) 9436266560.

10. Computer Programmer, APIC, Itanagar, to upload in APIC Website& send mail to all the parties. 11. Case file.

Registrar /Dy. Registrar Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission <u>Itanagar</u> Deputy Registrar Arunachal Prodesh Information Commission Itanagar