

ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, APIC

ITANAGAR

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005. Vide Case No. APIC-206/2024 (Summon to appear in person)

(Or. 5, R.3 of CPC)

The Member Secretary, Arunachal Pradesh Forest Corporation Ltd. Chimpu, Itanagar, Papum Pare District, A.P.

Summon Notice.

WHEREAS, in connection with the <u>APIC-No. 206/2024</u>, your personal appearance is required before the Commission on 21st JANUARY 2025 at 01:30 PM. The 2nd hearing held on <u>14th Nov, 2024</u> related to the <u>APIC No-206/2024 (Appeal)</u>. The Appellant Shri Nabam Rakesh, present during the hearing but the PIO found absent consecutively two times without intimating to the Commission the reason for his inability to attend the hearing, which is unbecoming on the part of the PIO, who has to be reminded that, the PIO besides public duties, also has to attend Court hearings when an appeal is preferred against him as per the provisions of the RTI, Act, 2005, which is a statutory duty binding upon the PIO.

Heard the Appellant.

The Appellant stated before the Commission that till date no information(s) has been received from the PIO, even after the Commission had ordered the PIO to provide the information (s) to the Appellant.

Due to absence of the PIO, the Commission could not proceed the hearing of the appeal.

The Commission after going through the previous order passed by this Court in last two previous hearing ordered;

- (i) Under the provisions of section 25(5), the Secretary/PCCF, Department of Forest and Environment, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, to initiate action to ensure the attendance of the PIO in the instant appeal, without fail. The Secretary /PCCF Department Forest & Environment to sent a copy t of the action taken, to this Commissioner for record, failing which necessary action shall be initiated as per the provisions of RTI Act.2005
- (ii) To <u>summon</u> the PIO to appear in person or through online mode before the Commission in the next date of hearing.

- (iii) The PIO to furnish all the information(s) to the Appellant as applied in his form 'A' application on or before next date of hearing. Failing which necessary action shall be initiated against the PIO as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
- (iv) Next date of hearing has been intimated to the Appellant. No formal notice required to be issued.

The Court ordered;

The next date of hearing be fixed on 21st January, 2025 at 1:30 PM (Afternoon)

N.B:- To avail online hearing please, notify or get in touch one day prior to the hearing, by downloading "WEBEX MEETING APP" from Google Play store. For further technical assistance may contact Shri Himanshu Verma, IT Consultant (Mobile no. 8319014957).

It is so ordered this 14th day of November, 2024 at 4:30 PM.

Sd/-(Vijay Taram) State Information Commissioner APIC, Itanagar.

- 1. Shri Nabam Rakesh, Nirjuli Village, PO/PS-Nirjuli, P/Pare District Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action. **M-8798128194**
- The Secretary/PCCF, Dept. of Forest & Environment, Itanagar, P/Pare District Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh for information and necessary action. PinCode: 791111
- 3. The computer Operator, for uploading on the website of APIC, please.

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