

ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, APIC ITANAGAR

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005. Vide Case No. APIC-216/2024

(Or. 5, R.3 of CPC)

Shri Ratan Chetia -V/S- PIO-cum- EAC O/o the DC, Changlang, District Changlang, AP.

<u>ORDER</u>

The 1st hearing held on <u>3rd October, 2024</u> related to the <u>APIC No-219/2024</u>. The Appellant Shri Ratan Chetia heard through online mode but the PIO found absent 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 as per the order passed by this Commission in the last hearing on dated 29.08.2024 till date the PIO has not furnished any of the information as sought by him in his form 'A' application.

After hearing the Appellant, the Commission seriously viewed in the absence of PIO and ordered

- (i) To issue <u>Warning summon</u> to the PIO to appear in person or through online mode before the Commission in the next date of hearing.
- (ii) The PIO to provide all the information(s) to the Appellant on or before next date of hearing as sought in his form 'A' Application.
 Failing which action Section 25(5 shall be initiated against the PIO as per the provisions of RTI Act,2005.
- (iii) Next date of hearing has been intimated to the Appellant. No formal notice required to be issued.
 The Commission ordered;

The next date of hearing be fixed on 21st November, 2024 at 10:30 PM (Morning)

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. 831.9014957).

It is so ordered this 1st day of October,2024 at 2:30 PM.

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

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Dated Itanagar the Oct' 2024

- 1. PIO-cum EAC O/o of the DC Changlang, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, for information and necessary action please.
- 2. Shri Ratan Chetia, Village Sitapani PO/PS Mahadevpur, Namsai District, for information please. Contact No. 7063965456.
- 3. The Computer Operator/Programmer for uploading on the website of APC please.
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