



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION

ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 Case No. APIC- 263/2025

APPELLANT

: Shri Riya Taram, Shri Bengia Tahar & Shri Lokam

Namdu, Huto colony Jollang.

RESPONDENT

: The PIO, o/o the Director, Social Justice, Empowerment

& tribal Affairs Banquet Hall Itanagar.

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Riya Taram, Shri Bengia Tahar & Shri Lokam Namdu, for non-furnishing of below mentioned information by the PIO, o/o the Director, Social Justice, Empowerment & tribal Affairs Banquet Hall Itanagar as sought for by them under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide their application dated 30.12.2024

A) Particular of information: To furnish the following information/ documents with respect to c/o "List of Project/ sanctioned under Article 275(1) the Constitution of India, by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs Govt of India during the financial year 2017-2024

B) Details of information required:

1. Furnish the Certified copy of documents submitted by all the Executing Agencies along with proper mention of date(documents such as Tender documents, Progress Report, Completion Report, Coloring Photographs, UC etc.) to the Nodal Department to Facilitate transfer of fund to the Executing Agency.

2. Furnish the Certified copy of Actual Physical Progress of the Project work

submitted by Executing Agencies in details.

3. Furnish the certified copy of Transfer of fund to Executing Agencies only on receipt of report of the Actual Physical progress of the Projectwork and also on confirmation of all required formalities by the Executing Agency.

4. Furnish the certified copy Final payment made to the Executing Agencies, after

conducting physical inspection by the Nodal Department.

5. Furnish the Documents/information of Physical inspection conducted by Nodal

Department along with photocopy in coloring.

6. Furnish the certified copy of Transfer of Sanctioned Amount to the PFMS Account of concern Executing Department with proper and valid Account Details of Executing Department.

This appeal was listed today on 23.07.2025. But none of the parties appeared.

Records in the appeal reveal that the appellants had requested the PIO for the aforementioned information but failed to obtain the same within the statutory period of one month which prompted them to file appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA), Director, Social Justice, Empowerment & tribal affairs, Govt. of A.P. under section 19(1) of the RTI Act vide his Memo of Appeal dt. 10.02.2025.

The Records also disclose that the F.A.A has not considered / adjudicated on the appeal as mandated under section 19(1) of the RTI Act.

It is to be noted that the F.A.A, being quasi-judicial authority is mandated to consider the appeal by applying his mind into the aspects like the kind of information sought by the Appellant, whether the information sought for could be disclosed or whether the same is exempted under relevant provisions of law and then, exercise his power and functions as mandated under the provisions of Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005.

In the premises as above this Commission finds the case at hand fit to be remanded to the FAA, the First Appellate Authority (FAA), the Director (SJETA), Banquet Hall, Itanagar for adjudication on the appeal who shall apply his mind and go into aspects like what kind of information(s) was sought by the Appellant, whether the information(s) could be provided or whether the same is hit by the provisions of Section – 8 and 9 of the RTI Act, 2005 and then pass an appropriate speaking order giving justification for his decision.

This appeal is, accordingly, remanded to the F.A.A, the Director (SJETA), Banquet Hall, Niti Vihar, Itanagar for adjudication within one month from the date of receipt of this order with liberty to the Appellants to prefer second appeal before this Commission under section 19 (3) of the RTI Act, if they are aggrieved with the order passed by the F.A.A, for which no fee need be paid. It is made clear that if the appellants fail to approach this Commission within 90 (ninety) days from the passing of the order by the FAA, this case shall stand closed without any further order.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 23rd July, 2025.

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

Dated Itanagar, the 2 July, 2025

Memo No. APIC-263/2025 / 528

Copy to:

1. The Director, Social Justice, Empowerment & Tribal Affairs, Govt. of A.P., Banquet Hall, Itanagar for information and compliance.

2. Shri Riya Taram, Shri Bengia Tahar & Shri Lokam Namdu, Huto colony Jollang, c/o Riang store Jollang near Catholic Church, PIN: 791113 Mobile No. 9383103387/9402443699 for Information and compliance..

3. The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the Website of APIC, please.

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Registrar/ Deputy Registrar APIC, Itanagar.

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