ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, (APIC) ITANAGAR, ARUNACHAL PRADESH

Appeal U/S 19 (3) of RTI Act, 2005 Vide No. APIC-1118/(R)/2023 (1115/2023)

BEFORE THE COURT OF SHRI KHOPEY THALEY, STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

Shri Mamu Sono Appellant

-VERSUS-

PIO-Cum-PD-cum-DPDO, Seppa

East Kameng District Respondent

SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

(Form-4 CPC R/W Sec-20 (1) & (2) of the RTI Act, 2005.

To.

PIO-Cum-PD-cum-DPDO, Seppa East Kameng District

WHEREAS, Shri Mamu Sono filed the Second Appeal against you before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission, Itanagar, on 28.11.2023 U/S 19 (3) of RTI Act, 2005 vide Appeal No. APIC-1118/(R)/2023 (1115/2023), wherein, alleging that you failed to furnish information sought by the Appellant under Form-A of his application dated 26/09/2023 relating to the matter as quoted in Form-A application.

WHEREAS, you, being PIO-Cum-DPDO, Seppa, East Kameng District, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh has refused to furnish the information sought under RTI Act, 2005 to the appellant within the prescribed period of 30 days from the date of receipt of his application as provided under Sub-Section (1) of Section-7 of the Act without any reason, whereby, amounting to violation of the said sub-section of section-7, liable for imposing penalty against you under the sub section (1) of section-20 of the Act.

WHEREAS, date of hearing of the Appeals was intimated to you well in advance but you are found absent consecutively in 5(five) hearings on 27/01/2025, 24/02/2025, 26/03/2025, 28/04/2025 and 18/08/2025 before the Commission. On the last hearing dated 28/04/2025, the PIO was absent without any intimation to the Commission. Last chance was given to the PIO to provide the information to the appellant if not exempted under RTI Act, and was also directed to appear before the next date of hearing. But he failed to comply the direction of the Commission.

The Commission viewed seriously on the repeated absence of the PIO and showing reluctance attitude to appear in person before the Commission and knowingly & intentionally not complying with the order of the Commission in every hearing, inspite of the directions of the Commission and failed to furnish the information within prescribed period.

NOW THEREFORE, you are hereby directed to appear in person before the Commission (APIC), Itanagar for hearing and to furnish the reply of Show-Cause Notice against you on or before 29th September, 2025 at 1030 hours as to why you should not be imposed a penalty as provided in Sub-Section(1) Section-20 of the RTI Act for violation of Sub Section (1) of the Section-7 of the RTI Act, 2005 and failing which, matter will be heard and determined in your absence.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of this Commission Court, on this 18th day of August, 2025.

The Commissioner fixed next date of hearing on 29/09/2025 at 1030 hours.

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

Memo No. APIC-1118/(R)/2023 (1115/2023) Dated Itanagar, the 2th August, 2025. Copy to:-

1. The Deputy Commissioner, East Kameng District, Seppa, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar for kind information and necessary action to ensure the compliance of this order by the PIO concerned without fail to avoid action under Section 20 of the RTI Act, 2005.

2. Shri Mamu Sono, Sood Village, Naharlagun Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh for information & necessary action. Contact No.9436121551

3. The Computer Programmer/Operator, for uploading on the website of APIC and mail.

4. Office Copy.

Registrar/Dy. Registrar APIC-Itanagar.

Deputy Registrar

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