



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION

ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005

Case No. APIC-137/2025.

APPELLANT : Shri Kimin Ingo, Vill. Paya, PO/PS Aalo.

RESPONDENT : The Registering Officer-cum-PIO, APB & OCWWB, Aalo, West Siang District (A.P)

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Kimin Ingo, for non-furnishing of below mentioned information by the PIO, o/o the Registering Officer-cum-PIO, APB & OCWWB, Aalo, West Siang District Arunachal Pradesh as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 03.10.2024.

Details of information required:

1. Name list of the beneficiary or Labour, their signature for acknowledging to received the welfare kits with their enrolment or registration Number who have received welfare Kits **on 14th September, 2024 at Yomcha** during Mega Awareness Camp Cum Distribution of Welfare Kits & Free Medical Health Camp.
2. Details of challan, bill, money received for purchasing items and total expenditure during Mega Awareness Camp Cum Distribution of Welfare Kits & Free Medical Health Camp at Yomcha on 14th September 2024.
3. Sanction order or sanction amount in respect to Mega Awareness Camp Cum Distribution of Welfare Kits & Free Medical Health Camp at Yomcha on 14th September 2024.
4. The list and details of welfare kits which have been distributed during Mega Awareness Camp Cum Distribution of Welfare Kits & Free Medical Health Camp at Yomcha on 14th September 2024.
5. During the Mega Awareness Camp Cum Distribution of Welfare Kits & Free Medical Health Camp at Yomcha on 14th September 2024, our Hon'ble Chairman, APB&OCWWB, Itanagar Shri Rolan Dagam. had announced and handover Rs.1,00000/- (Rupees One Lakh) only (video record of his speech pertaining to the announcement of Rs. 1,00000/ (Rupees One Lakh) only is available if required) in your good hand to distributes all the old aged persons (Beneficiaries) who have attained the said program. Therefore, furnish the total expenditure along with name details and their signature who have received their share equally in respect to Rs. 1,00,000/- (Rupees One Lakh) only.

6. All the documents within 30 days as per RTI Act, 2005. If PIO has failed to furnish the above mentioned documents within the stipulated time period, then the applicant will be allowed to collect all the above mentioned documents in free of cost as per RTI Act, 2005. And reply in sequence as well as proper paging as per above mentioned points with proper CTC.

Brief facts emerging from the appeal:

Records emerging from the appeal disclose that the Appellant, Shri Kimin Ingo had requested the PIO for the aforementioned information / documents but failed to obtain the same which prompted him to file appeal before the Secretary-cum-First Appellate Authority (FAA) Arunachal Pradesh & Building & Other Construction Workers Welfare Board (APB&OCCWWB), Itanagar, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh the First Appellate Authority (FAA) under Section 19 (1) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his Memo of Appeal dt. 03-12-2024.

Records further reveal that the First Appellate Authority (FAA) vide order dt. 17th December, 2024 and in exercise of the power conferred under Section 19 (1) of the RTI Act. 2005 *directed the PIO, APB & OCCWWB, Aalo to comply with the obligatory duty laid under RTI Act. 2005 by furnishing details of documents/information as had been sought for within two weeks without delay and reason thereof non-availability of information within the above stipulated period.*

However, despite order from the FAA, the appellant, apparently, failed yet again to obtain the information and therefore, he preferred his 2nd appeal before this Commission under section 19(3) of the RTI Act. 2005 vide his Memo of Appeal dt. 10.02.2025.

Hearing and decision :

This appeal was, thus, listed and heard for 2(two) times on 16th May, 2025 and 04.07.2025. On 16.05.2025 wherein the PIO, Shri Junmu Lego was present in person and the appellant was represented by his Counsel, Advocate Shri Dope Ori, the PIO had brought in the documents/information sought for by the appellant which was handed over to the Ld. Counsel for the appellant.

The Ld. Counsel was directed to advise the appellant to go through the documents/information and report his satisfaction or otherwise therewith within 2 (two) weeks from 16th May, 2025 so that next date of hearing, if required, could be fixed. As directed the appellant, vide letter dated 28th May, 2025, intimated this Commission that the PIO has furnished incomplete documents.

The appeal was, therefore, listed again today on 04.07.2025 wherein the PIO is present in person while the appellant is again represented by his Counsel, Advocate, Shri Dope Ori.

Heard the parties.

The Ld. Counsel for the appellant reiterated the demand of the appellant for providing complete information/documents as requested by him in his RTI application.

The PIO, while producing a copy of check list of replies against the remaining /incomplete queries, submitted that his office at District level do not obtain the signature from the beneficiaries while organizing programmes in the Districts, more so, in the absence of any instruction in this regard from the Board Office at Itanagar. He also submitted that his office does not receive any particular amount for awareness Camp and therefore, maintaining the records of expenditure, Bills, money receipt in his office does not arise. The PIO has, accordingly, mentioned the said position in the check list in the form of NB.

This Commission, upon hearing the parties and considering the fact that the o/o the PIO does not maintain the signature of the beneficiaries and the expenditure, holds that the question of furnishing the records/information thereof by the PIO does not arise and accordingly, holds that the PIO is not obliged to furnish the information in that regard. The Ld. Counsel for the appellant also accepted the submission of the PIO.

This appeal is, hence, disposed of and closed in above terms.

During the course of hearing of this appeal, it was pointed out by the PIO that there is another appeal APIC-138/2025 pending in this Commission seeking from the same PIO the information on a similar subject i.e awareness camp held on different dates. The PIO submitted that since the queries (expenditure on awareness camp) in that appeal are same, the replies to the queries in both the appeals is also same.

The said appeal, APIC-138/2025 is also disposed of and closed in the same terms as above.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 4th July, 2025.

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

Memo No. APIC- 137/2025/441 Dated Itanagar, the 04 July, 2025

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2. The PIO, o/o the Registering Officer –cum – PIO, APB & OCWWB, Aalo, West Siang Dist. Aalo, (A.P) for information.
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