





ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 Case No. APIC- 252/2024.

(Summon to appear in person) (Or.5, R.3 of CPC)

Shri Denny Lamgu, Yungte Yungme Apartment, Tarajuli Village Naharlagun, River view Colony, Near Railway Station, Yupia.

: APPELLANT

Vs

ThePIO, o/o the Divisional Forest Officer, Tezu, Lohit District, (A.P)

:RESPONDENT

ORDER/SUMMON

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Denny Lamgu for non-furnishing of information by the PIO, o/o the Divisional Forest Officer, Lohit, Lohit District as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 22.05.2024

Facts emerging from the appeal:

The records reveal that the appellant had requested the PIO o/o the Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali, Lower Siang Distt. for furnishing the following information:

- 1. Particulars of information: Regarding State CAMPA 2021-22 to 2023-24-,
 - a) Annexure-A(2021-22);
 - b) Annexure-B (2022-23) and
 - c) Annexure-C (2023-24)
- 2. Details of information:
 - a) Details of work under CAMPA i.e approved AOP for 2021-22 to 2023-24;
 - b) Details of work order given to all the respective firm;
 - c) Details of department executed copy with bill voucher and challans;
 - d)NIT No and paper cutting of all works done with office work order of each items;
 - e) Department sanction order copy;
 - f) Details of respective firms and payment made by the department against the firm;
 - g) Copy of Range wise fund distributed by DFO;
 - h)Details of cheque leaf issued by DFOs and all Range Forest Officers to respective firms/contractor
 - i) Utilisation Certificate copy and photographs of every item of State CAMPA.

This appeal is listed for the 4^{th} time today on 05.03.2025, the first 3(three) times being on 22.11.2024, 10.01.2025 and 31.01.2025.

In the hearing on 22.011.2024, Advocate, Shri Halley K. Jomoh represented the PIO, o/o the D.F.O, Lohit District. This Commission, then directed the PIO to furnish the information against whatsoever number of schemes and for whatsoever number of financial years, as may be possible, out of the list contained in the 3 Annexure to the applicant's / appellant's application.

In the hearing on 10.01.2025, wherein the PIO, Shri Tobang Pertin, DFO, Lohit attended the through VC, the appellant had complained that the *documents that has been provided to him by the o/o the PIO are not properly indexed/paged* as per his application which could not be cross-checked by this Commission in absence of the PIO in person. The hearing was, therefore, adjourned to 31.01.2025 with direction to the PIO to be present himself physically or depute his APIO who can explain to this Commission and the appellant, the details of documents with reference to the RTI application of the appellant.

In the 3rd hearing on 31.01.2025, the PIO attended through VC again but the appellant was absent due to some medical emergencies. The hearing was, hence, adjourned again to today on 05.03.2025 with direction to the PIO to be present himself physically or depute his APIO/representative who is well versed with the documents/information asked for.

In today's hearing, the appellant is present but the PIO is again absent but deputed his representative, Ms.Maomi Pertin, UDC, o/o the DFO, Tezu with the documents for the period 2023-24.

During the course of hearing the documents brought in by the representative of the PIO were handed over to the appellant. The representative of the PIO submitted that since the information sought for by the appellant pertains to 3(three) financial years, the appellant may be directed to reduce his demand further. The representative of the PIO also produced the copy of letter dt.21.01.2025 from the PIO during the hearing today stating therein that since the documents/information sought was for 3 financial years which is voluminous and due to insufficient staff, the information has been furnished for one financial year, 2023-24 in terms of this Commission's Advisory dt.08.05.2024. The PIO also submitted in the letter that the appellant has not deposited (Rs.2726/-) being the cost of photocopying 1363 pages.

The appellant on the other hand again complained that the documents so provided to him are not properly bound and paged despite this Commission's direction in earlier orders. He also submitted that as suggested/directed by this Commission in its interim order dt.22.11.2024, he had reduced his demand for the list of documents contained in 3(three) Annexure (A, B and C) as annexed to his RTI application and as such the PIO should not have any difficulty to furnish the remaining information. He, therefore, prayed this Commission for a direction to the PIO to furnish the same.

This Commission, upon hearing the parties and on perusal of the documents provided to the appellant, is inclined to hold that, as already held in its order dt.22.11.2024, the objective of the RTI Act would be achieved if a harmonious order is passed in this appeal. Accordingly, this Commission suggested the appellant to prioritise his demand for the information out of the list as contained in the 3 Annexure to his RTI application which he agreed and prayed for following information pertaining to 3(three) financial years (2021-22 to 2023-24):

- 1. Sl. No. 1 & 2 of Annexure-A;
- 2. Creation of Artificial Plantation (Tafragam & Tezu and Digaru RF);
- 3. Sl.No.19,13,14,10,11,33,34,35,36,21,16,76,78,79,80,81 and14 of **Annexure-B**;
- 4. Sl.No.19,15,16,13,14,15,34,370 and 887 of Annexure-C.

During the course of hearing, the representative of the PIO has been explained of the specific points as above which she understood and assured to furnish the information/documents thereon but requested for adequate time.

This Commission considered the request of the PIO's representative and hereby directs the PIO to furnish the documents/information on those points on or before the next date of hearing.

The next date of hearing is fixed on 4th April, 2025 (Wednesday) at 10.30.am.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 5th March, 2025.

NOW THEREFORE, take notice that, in default of your appearance, on the day above-mentioned, the matter will be heard and determined in your absence.

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

Memo No. APIC-252/2024/ 964 Dated Itanagar, the March, 2025
Copy to:

- 1. The Chief Conservator of Forest, Eastern Circle, Govt. of A.P, Tezu the First Appellate Authority (FAA), for information and ensuring compliance by the PIO.
- 2. The PIO, o/o the Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), Tezu, Lohit District (A.P) for information and compliance.
- 3. Shri Denny Lamgu, Yungte Yungme Apartment, Tarajuli Village Naharlagun, River view Colony, Near Railway Station, Yupia PIN: 791110 Mobile No. 8731822037/9402451384 for information and follow-up action.
- 4 The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the Website of APIC, please.
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