



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005
Case No. APIC-607/2025.

APPELLANT
RESPONDENT

:Shri Ganpho Khusumchai, Longding.
:The PIO, o/o the E.E (PWD), Longding, Longding
District (A.P)

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Ganpho Khusumchai for non-furnishing of 12(twelve) point information c/o approach road to PHED office Longding by the PIO, o/o the E.E (PWD), Longding, Longding District (A.P) as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 06.05.2025.

This appeal was heard for 2(two) times on 03.10.2025 and 07.11.2025.

On 03.10.2025 wherein the appellant, Shri Ganpho Khusumchai was present in person but the PIO was absent, the appellant had submitted that in response to his RTI application, the PIO has furnished only the following information:

- 1.Certificate copy of total amount against the scheme (Sl. No.2 of application);
- 2.Work order (Sl. No.3);
- 3.Completion Certificate (Sl.No.7);
- 4.Photograph with geo tag record (Sl. No.9) (Photo not satisfactory);
- 5.U/Certificate (Sl. No.8).

In view of the complaint of the appellant that rest of the documents/information were either not provided or are not satisfactorily provided, this Commission, vide order dt.06.10.2025 directed the PIO to furnish the requested information/documents as per the RTI application satisfactorily and report compliance on 07.11.2025.

In compliance with the order of this Commission, Er. Shri Pratik Kumar, J.E, the representative of the PIO brought in the left out documents except the replies in respect of the LoC on 07.11.2025, which this Commission noticed as, "N.A".

This Commission, after hearing the parties, directed the PIO to furnish a revised and specific replies instead of mere "N.A" to the appellant within 1(one) week from 10.11.2025 and the appellant was also directed to collect the revised reply from the o/o the PIO and intimate his satisfaction or otherwise therewith within one week of the receipt of the reply.

As directed, the appellant, through his whatsapp messege on 24.11.2025 complained that the PIO did not comply with the order of this Commission. As such this appeal has been listed again today on 23.01.2026 with direction to the PIO to furnish the left out information/documents and report the compliance thereof so as not to constrain this Commission to invoke the penal provisions of RTI Act. It was also made clear in the order that if the o/o the PIO does not hold the requested information, then he shall furnish and affidavit to that effect as required by law under section section-18(3)(c) and under rule- 5(vi) of the AP Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005

Today on 23.01.2026, the appellant is absent but Er. Shri Dongda Taduk, AE-cum-the APIO is present in person who produced PIO's letter dt.15.11.2025 addressed to this Commission furnishing the replies to the 2(two) queries viz., Certified copy of letter of credit (Sl. No.11) and Certified copy of Audit Reports (Sl. No.12). The extract of the said letter is reproduced hereunder:

"Sir,

With reference to the letter no. cited above after appearing 2nd Summons a letter received from State Information Commissioner APIC Itanagar stating that the reply regarding LOC by PIO was not satisfy.

Hence reply of information are re-submitted accordingly for the work Const. of approach road t ; o PHED ; office Longding for your further information please.

Sl. No.	Information required	Reply
1	Furnish the certified copy of LOC	LOC cannot furnished as due to composite nature of LOC certificate, the particular works LOC details cannot be segregated and hence not provided.
2	Furnish the certified copy of charter Audit reports	As it is on-going work Audit has not done yet. Hence documents. for charter Audit reports is not available with department yet and hence unable to furnish.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

*Executive Engineer
Longding PWD Divn. Longding,
Arunachal Pradesh."*

The APIO, reiterating the replies as above, submitted that since the copy of LOC being a composite one contains the particulars of other schemes too, is not feasible to segregate scheme-wise, hence, not possible to furnish. As regards the audit report, he reiterated that no audit has yet been conducted for the scheme in question.

This Commission is inclined to accept the reasons for denial of information in in sofar as the query on audit report is concerned. However, it is the requirement of law {section -7(8)(i) of the RTI Act} that when an information is denied to the applicant, the reason thereof has to be communicated to the applicant to his satisfaction. And as mandated by section-18(3)(c) of the RTI Act, 2005 and under rule-

5(vi) of the AP Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005, the submission/reply of the PIO has to be declared/supported by way of an affidavit.

As regards the LOC, since it is a public document under the RTI Act and not exempted from disclosure under any of the exemption provisions, the request for the same can not be denied.

The PIO is, therefore, directed to furnish the copy of LOC against the scheme in question by hiding/blackening the other schemes in the list contained in the LOC copy an affidavit declaring his submission made in respect of the Audit Report within 2(two) weeks from the receipt of this order and the appellant shall, within 1(one) week thereafter, intimate this Commission of the receipt of the same failing which this appeal shall stand closed.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 23rd Jan., 2026.

Sd/-

(S. TSERING BAPPU)

State Information Commissioner,

APIC, Itanagar

Memo No. APIC- 607/2025

Dated Itanagar, the 28 Jan., 2026

Copy to:

1. The Chief Engineer (PWD), Easter Zone Namsai PIN: 792103 for information and ensuring compliance by the PIO.
2. The PIO, o/o the Executive Engineer (PWD), Longding, Longding District PIN:792131 for information and compliance.
3. Shri Ganpho Khusumchai, Longding, Longding District (A.P) PIN: 792131 Mobile No.8730850238 for information and compliance.
4. The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the Website of APIC, please.
5. Office copy.
6. S/Copy.

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APIC, Itanagar.

Deputy Registrar
Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission
Itanagar