



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION (APIC)
ITANAGAR

File-No. APIC-No.594/2023(Appeal)

Dated Itanagar the 23rd Jan'2026

Shri Bengia Apo
Village Tayang
PO/PS: Koloriang Kurung Kumey
District Arunachal Pradesh.
Pin: 791118. (M) 9362559211

Appellant

versus

Shri Poma Bagang
Addl Deputy Commissioner, Nyapin
(Former PIO cum PD DRDA)
Kurung Kumey District
Arunachal Pradesh.
Pin: 791118.

Respondent

ORDER

Date of Hearing: 28.07.2025
Date of Decision: Kept reserved.

INFORMATION COMMISSIONER : Dani Gamboo

Relevant facts emerging from appeal.

RTI application filed : 10.01.2023
SPIO replied : Not on record
First appeal filed : on 23.02.2023
First Appellate Authority's Order : Vide letter dated 02.03.2023, PIO O/o the Rural Development Department, Itanagar has directed the Project Director, DRDA, Koloriang to furnish the sought information to the appellant.

Second Appeal filed : 27.06.2023

Information sought:

The appellant filed RTI application dated 10.01.2023 seeking following information regarding NIT, Work engagement, Order, DPR, fund utilization certificate, lowest bidding firm details, details of payment, cheque/demand draft, and photographs of the work if any:

- a. C/o Playground at Wabia, Lee, Lechila, & Tai.
- b. C/o Porter Track from Tai to Raktepu village.
- c. C/o porter track from WRSB over Polo River from Walu via village Sharma, Kapu, Valin, Wabla and Lulam Koloriang K/K.
- d. C/o WRTSB over Panju River at Chello and Fumer under K/kumey.
- e. C/o footpath from PMGSY Road TO Govt. Middle School Padung village.
- f. C/o Approach Road from Damin Town to BRTF Road Koloriang.

Period for which information asked for: As project concerned.

Relevant facts emerged during hearing:

Previous hearings:

First	:	13.10.2023, PIO absent & appellant present.
Second	:	15.12.2023, PIO absent & appellant present.
Third	:	12.04.2024, PIO absent & appellant absent.
Fourth	:	17.05.2024, PIO absent & appellant present.
Fifth	:	28.06.2024, PIO absent & appellant present.
Sixth	:	29.08.2024, PIO absent & appellant present.
Seventh	:	09.12.2024, PIO absent & appellant present.
Eight	:	10.04.2025, PIO absent & appellant present.
Ninth	:	26.05.2025, PIO absent & appellant absent.

The following were present.

Appellant : Present. He has requested the commission to initiate disciplinary action against the PIO for non-compliance of commission's order under Section 20 (2) of RTI Act, 2005.

Respondent PIO : Absent.

Decision:

The Commission, after advertizing to the facts and circumstances of the case, hearing the appellant and perusing the records noted that –

- In the interim order of this commission court dated 13.10.2023 the quantum of information to be furnished to the appellant was limited to one scheme only out of information sought for six schemes in RTI filed in form-A viz serial number f) C/o approach road from Damin town to BRTF road Koloriang.
- The then PIO-cum-PD, DRDA Koloriang, Shri Pama Bagang, ADC Nyapin was issued show cause notice in the interim order of this commission court dated 15.12.2023 as to why action was not initiated against him under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 but of no avail. The respondent PIO did not reply the show cause notice.
- Shri Pama Bagang as an individual holding public authority in the capacity of PIO cum PD, DRDA Koloriang was imposed penalty with fine of Rs25,000/- under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, and awarded Rs 5000/- compensation to the appellant to be paid by defaulting PIO under clause (b) of subsection (8) of section19 of RTI act, 2005 by interim order of this commission court dated 11.12.2024 Shri Pama Bagang then respondent PIO did not comply this order too.
- Bailable Warrant of Arrest dated 10.4.2025 was issued against Shri Pama Bagang under Order-X VI, Rule - 10(3) CPC-1908 R/W Section 18(3) of RTI Act, 2005 and ensure his attendance for hearing on 26.5.2025.
- Shri Tate Diri, Sub-Inspector APP, PS Koloriang in compliance with the Commission's order dated 10.04.2025 arrested Shri Pama Bagang, ADC Nyapin and was released on bail on giving of surety by Shri Kalar Lega with a direction to attend the hearing fixed on 26.05.2025.
- However, the then PIO Shri Pama Bagang again remained absent in the last tenth hearing as usual, which demonstrates his wilful disregard of the bail bond conditions and the authority of the Commission, and amounts to clear violation of the implementation of the RTI Act, 2005.
- Shri Pama Bagang, ADC Nyapin is personally liable to deposit Rs25,000/- as penalty by treasury remittance under head of account "0070-Other Administrative Charges" and pay compensation of Rs5000/- to the appellant.
- Shri Pama Bagang is directed to deposit the aforesaid penalty and compensation amount to treasury and appellant respectively on or before 7th February 2026, failure which shall compel this commission for further action under section 20(2) of RTI Act, 2005 for disciplinary action by the competent authority.

Decision pronounced in the Open Court of this Commission on 28th day of July' 2025 and order issued today the 23rd January 2026. Each copy of the Judgement / Order be furnished to the parties. The appellant shall serve a copy of this order to the then respondent PIO Shri Pama Bagang now ADC, Nyapin and obtain acknowledgement.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission / Court on this 23rd day of January' 2026.

Sd/-
(Dani Gamboo)
Information Commissioner

Authenticated true copy

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Registrar / Dy. Registrar
APIC

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Dated Itanagar the *29*. Jan' 2026.

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