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ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005
Case No. APIC- 790/2025.

APPELLANT : Shri Pisa Tapam, Dokum Colony, Naharlagun.
RESPONDENT : The PIO, o/o the EE (RWD), Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District.

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Pisa Tapam, Dokum Colony, Itanagar for non-furnishing of 22(twenty two) point information in respect of the following six roads under VVP: 2023-24 by the PIO, o/o the E.E (RWD), Layang Yangte Division, Kurung Kumey District as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 26.06.2025:

1) L021-Road from Nyolo to Buhan
2) L027-Rd from 2.5 Km Pt of Koloriang-Tabumhard to Sollung Tapin
3) L022 Road from Buyang to Chimpu
4) L023-Road from Buyang to Dagging-1
5) L-028 Road from Buyang to Tate (Raktepu)
6) L026 - Road from Tabumha to Naji Bobok
7) L024 Road from BRTF road to Kachanjane
8) L025-Road from Nijubobok to Kiodhriang

Brief facts emerging from the appeal:

Records emerging from the appeal disclosed that the Appellant, Shri Pisa Tapam had requested the PIO for the aforementioned information / documents but failed to obtain the same which prompted him to appeal before the Chief Engineer RWD (W/Z), Itanagar as the First Appellate Authority (F.A.A) under Section 19 (1) of the RTI Act vide his Appeal Memo dated 23.08.2025.

Records further revealed that the APIO-cum-AE, Er. K Welly, vide his letter dt. 2nd Sept. 2025 (extracted below), had requested the CE (PMGSY), RWD, Itanagar to furnish the sought for information as the project mentioned in the form A of RTI application are VVP project and come under his jurisdiction.

"Sir,

RTI application to the FAA received from Shri Pisa Tapam, Add- Dokum colony, PO/PS-Naharlagun, Papumpare District, Arunachal Pradesh. The projects mentioned in the Form A RTI application are VVP projects and comes under your jurisdiction. Therefore, I am directed to forward herewith the RTI application to your good office.

This is for your information & necessary action please.

List of Enclosures:-

1. *IPO vide No. 57H 527016 for amount of Rs 50/-(Rupees Fifty only).*
2. *RTI application to the FAA.*
3. *Blank Acknowledgement for Ist Appeal.*
4. *Form 'A' RTI application(Xerox).*
5. *Annexure-A Xerox (2 pages)*
6. *Xerox of IPO No. 66F 802099 for Form 'A' of amount Rs 10/-(Rupees Ten only).*
7. *Xerox of Counter-Foil for sl. No. 6*

8. India post xerox
9. Copy of Tracking ID No. EE453095655IN
Enclosed: As stated above

Sd/-
Yours sincerely,
(Er. K. Welly) AE/APIO"

But the appellant, apparently, failed to receive a positive response from the PIO and FAA and therefore, filed his 2nd appeal before this Commission under section 19(3) of the RTI Act vide Memo of Appeal dt.17.10.2025.

Hearing and decision :

This appeal was listed for 3(three) times on 06.03.2026, 22.04.2026 and 22.05.26.

On 06.03.26, this Commission, after hearing the parties, more particularly, the APIO, Er. Shri Yangbiu Loka, AE, o/o the Sangram PWD Division who submitted that the documents pertaining to this appeal were with the Koloriang Division as the particulars of schemes mentioned in the RTI application of the appellant come under the jurisdiction of RWD, Koloriang Division and also upon perusing the PIO's letter dt. 3rd February, 2026 requesting this Commission to transfer the appeal in question to the PIO, o/o the EE, RWD Koloriang Division, directed the PIOs of both the Laaying Yangte and the Koloriang Divisions to be present in the next hearing on 22nd April, 2026 with the records / evidence of handing over and taking over of the charges of records/documents pertaining to schemes falling under the jurisdiction Koloriang Division to determine as to whose office shall furnish the requested information/documents to the appellant.

On 22.04.2026, however, none of the PIOs appeared. Therefore, the hearing had to be adjourned again to 22.05.2026.

On 22.05.2026, the PIO, Laying Yangte Division, Er. Shri Nani Tapa, EE was present in person while the PIO, Koloring Division, Er. Shri Nending Bath, EE appeared through VC. The appellant, Shri Pisa Tapam also attended the hearing through VC.

The PIO, Laying Yangte Division reiterated his office's submission that in view of handing of the documents to Koloriang Division, the PIO, Koloriang Division be directed to furnish the requested documents/information to the appellant. Since the the PIO, Koloriang Division readily agreed and assured to furnish the requested documents/information to the appellant within 1(one) month, this Commission directed that the PIO, o/o EE, Koloriang RWD Division shall, henceforth, take all required action to furnish the information to the appellant within one month from the date of receipt of the order dt.22.05.26 and consequently, the PIO, Laaying Yangte RWD Division was struck off as being PIO in respect of this instant appeal. The appellant was, accordingly, directed to intimate this Commission of the receipt of the information / documents from the PIO, o/o the EE, RWD Koloriang Division within 1(one) week of the receipt of the same.

This Commission, however, received letter dt. 01.07.2026 from the appellant, Shri Pisa Tapam saying that the PIO, RWD (Koloriang Division) did not furnish a single documents despite this Commission's order.

Therefore, vide order dt.02.07.2026, the PIO, RWD (Koloring Division) was again directed to furnish the requested information to the appellant and report the compliance thereof to this Commission on 31.07.2026, the next date of hearing.

On 31.07.2026, the appellant, Shri Pisa Tapam was present in person but the PIO, Er. Shri Nending Bath, EE was absent without any information nor did he furnish the information as directed by this Commission and also assured by him.

This Commission, taking a serious view of the PIO's non-compliance of this Commission's order and non-appearance in the hearing which amounted to wilful and blatant disrespect to this Commission and the RTI regime on the part of the PIO attracting penal action under section 20 of the RTI Act, 2005, warned the PIO vide order 31st July, 2026 not to compel this Commission to impose the prescribed penalty under section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 and *directed him to be personally present on 26.08.2026 and explain as to why penalty of Rs.25,000.00 as prescribed under setion-20(1) of the RTI Act should not be imposed upon him for non-compliance of this Commission's order and that the said order shall be treated as show cause notice.*

On 26.08.2026, the appellant, Shri Pisa Tapam was present but the PIO was absent without any intimation.

This Commission, after hearing the appellant who informed that the PIO has furnished information in respect of schemes at Sl. Nos.(1) to (7) of his application but did not furnish the information with respect of scheme at Sl. No.(8) (L025-Road from Nijubobok to Kiodhriang) but the PIO has assured that he will furnish the information / documents within 1(one) weeks time, directed the PIO to furnish the left out information within 1(one) week from the date of receipt of the order dt.26.08.26 and the appellant was also directed to go through the information received so far and to be furnished later by the PIO and intimate the receipt thereof to this Commission within one week from the date of receipt from the PIO.

This Commission received a letter dated 19.09.2026 (reproduced hereunder) from the Appellant, Shri Pisa Tapam intimating that he has received the left-out documents / information(s) from the PIO with which he is fully satisfied and requested for the disposal of this appeal.

"Sir,

With due respect and humble submission, I would like to inform you that I had received the left documents on 19/09/2026 namely L025-Road from Najibobok to Kiodhriang (DPR) under RWD, the then LayangYangte Division and now Koloriang Division by the PIO-cum-E.E RWD Koloriang division. After receiving the documents from the concerned PIO, I am fully satisfied. Hence, I want to disposed off the said case forever.

Therefore, I would like to request you to kindly disposed off the said RTI APIC No. 790/2025 from your good office at earliest possible.

Thanking you.

Yours Sincerely,
Sd/-
Shri Pisa Tapam, Applicant."

In the premises as above, this appeal does not require any further intervention in this Commission and consequently, it stands disposed of and closed.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 3rd Nov., 2026.

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

Memo No. APIC-790/2025 /187 **Dated Itanagar, the** 06 **Nov., 2026**

Copy to:

1. The Chief Engineer (RWD), (W/Z), Govt. of A.P, Itanagar, the First Appellate Authority (F.A.A) for information.
2. The PIO, o/o the E.E (RWD), Koloriang Division, Kurung Kumey District for information.
3. The PIO, o/o the E.E (RWD), Layang Yangte Division, Kurung Kumey District (Pin code-791118), for information.
4. Shri Pisa Tapam, Dukom Colony Naharlagun PO/PS-Naharlagun, (Pincode-791110), (Phone No.8413931088/8974750020) for information.
5. The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the website of APIC, please.
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