

**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION**  
**ITANAGAR.**

**An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005**  
**Case No. APIC-420 /2026.**

**APPELLANT** : Shri Hillang Rakngo, D-Sector Itanagar.  
**RESPONDENT** : The PIO, o/o the State Project Director Samagra Shiksha, Itanagar.

**ORDER**

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Hillang Rakngo for non-furnishing of below mentioned information by the PIO, o/o the State Project Director Samagra Shiksha, Itanagar as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 06.02.2026.

**A. Details of information required:**

1. Provide details of exposure visit of PM Shri School students during financial year 2024-25 including dates, location and number of students.
2. Provide total amounts sanctioned under this intervention for financial year 2024-25.
3. Provide the name(s) of Vender(s) to whom work was awarded along with details of expenditure copies/ vouchers related to this intervention.
4. Provide copy of file Noting related to this intervention from February 2025 to April 2025.
5. Provide details of teacher training and counselling of students conducted under PM Shri School during Financial year 2024-2025.

**B. Period for which information asked: 2024-2025**

**Brief facts emerging from the appeal:**

Records in the appeal reveal that the appellant had requested the PIO for the aforementioned information. In response whereof, the SPO-cum-APIO, Samagra Shiksha/ISSE, Arunachal Pradesh, vide his letter dt.20.03.2026, furnished to the appellant a copy of letter dt.18.02.2026 received from the SPO(PM SHRI School), Samagra Shiksha/ISSE, Arunachal Pradesh by which reply to the RTI application was furnished to the Dy.SPD-cum-PIO.

The said 2(two) letters are reproduced hereunder:

**(a) Letter dt.20.03.2025 from the SPO-cum-APIO to the appellant:**

"Sir,

It is to inform you that the information required by you vide your application dated on 06/02/2026, is ready for collection. The information furnished to you as on today is of 1 (one) pages You are requested to collect the information from this office at the earliest date.

Sd/-

State Project officer cum APIO  
Samagra Shiksha/ISSE  
Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar."

(b) Letter dt.18.02.2026 from the SPO(PM SHRI School), Samagra Shiksha/ISSE to the Dy.SPD-cum-PIO:

"Sir,

*With reference to your letter vide No AR/ISSE-RTI/2024-25/35/895 Dated 10th Feb' 2026 regarding RTI application in r/o Shri Hillang Rakngo, D-Sector seeking information regarding Exposure Visit under PM SHRI for the financial year 2024-25, the following information is furnished:*

1. *Under PM SHRI, no activities were approved/sanctioned for Exposure Visit for the year 2024-25.*
2. *No budget provision has been made under the said component for the financial year 2024-25, no financial allocation or expenditure has been incurred towards Exposure Visit under PM SHRI 2024-25.*

*This information is provided based on records available in this office.*

Sd/-

(Kipa Kechak)

SPO (PM SHRI School)

Samagra Shiksha / ISSE, Arunachal Pradesh"

The appellant, not satisfied with the information received from the PIO, filed his 1st appeal under section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 before the First Appellate Authority (FAA), the State Project Director (SPD), Samagra Shiksha, Itanagar vide Memo of Appeal 01.04.2026. But the appellant, yet again failed to obtain the sought for information.

Hence, this second appeal before this Commission under Section 19 (3) of the RTI Act vide Memo of appeal dtd. 10.06.2026 which has, accordingly, been listed today on 26.08.2026 wherein the appellant, Shri Hillang Rakngo is present in person but no one appeared from the o/o the PIO.

This Commission, however, notices that the FAA has not adjudicated the appeal. The First Appellate Authority, under the RTI regime, is a quasi-judicial authority under section 19 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005 and as such he is required to hold hearing giving adequate opportunity to both the appellant and the respondent PIO and after applying his mind to the case / going into the aspect as to whether the information/documents requested by the appellants are disclosable or are exempted under the relevant provisions of section 8 or 9 of the RTI Act, pass a reasoned and speaking order. Since, the FAA did not discharge his mandated duties as above, this appeal is a fit case to be remanded to the Chief Engineer (PHE & WS), Namsai, the FAA for adjudication.

Accordingly, this appeal is remanded to the State Project Director (SPD), Samagra Shiksha, Itanagar, the FAA for adjudication and passing an appropriate order in speaking form within 1 (one) month from the date of receipt of this order. The PIO and the appellant are directed to appear in the hearing, when called for by the FAA.

This Commission also concludes that the appellants, if felt aggrieved by the decision of the FAA, may prefer their 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal before this Commission under section 19 (3) of the RTI Act within 90 (ninety) days from the date of the FAA's order for which no fees need be paid to this Commission.

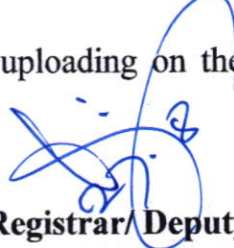
Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2026.

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

Memo No. APIC- 420/2026 / 863 Dated Itanagar, the 28 Aug., 2026

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1. The State Project Director (SPD), Samagra Shiksha/ ISSE, Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar, the First Appellate Authority (FAA) PIN: 791111 for information and compliance.
2. The PIO, o/o the SPO (State Project Director) SamagraShiksha, Itanagar PIN: 791111 for information.
3. Shri Hillang Rakngo, D Sector Itanagar PIN 791111 Mobile No 9366537382 for information.
4. The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the Website of APIC, please.
5. Office copy.
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