

**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR**

BEFORE THE COURT OF DR.JORAM BEGI, STATE CHIEF INFORMATION COMMISSIONER

No.APIC-131/2020

Dated, Itanagar the 8th December'2020

Under Section 19(3) RTI Act, 2005

Appellant

**Shri Mikre Taso,
Upper Colony, Likabali,
Lower Siang District,
Arunachal Pradesh.
(m) 6909975426,**

&

Shri Karba Riba

Respondent

**Shri Bajum Taba,
The PIO-cum-DFO,
O/o Divisional Forest Officer,
Likabali,
Lower Siang District,
Arunachal Pradesh.**

Vs

Dated of hearing held on : 8th December' 2020.

ORDER

Whereas, an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 has been received from Shri Mikre Taso, Upper Colony, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, & Shri Karba Riba for non-furnishing of information, by Shri Bajum Taba, the PIO-cum-DFO, O/o Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, as sought, by the Appellants under section 6(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on 20/07/2020.

Whereas, the 1st hearing was held through online video / audio conference on 17th November'2020. Shri Bajum Taba, The PIO-cum-DFO, O/o Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, and the Appellants Shri Mikre Taso, & Shri Karba Riba, Upper Colony, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, appeared in the hearing through video conferencing. The Appellant Shri Mikre Taso informed the Commission that the PIO has furnished incomplete and misleading information to them. The PIO refuted and informed the Commission that the information sought by the Appellants regarding the Projects were executed departmentally with the approval from the authority. So, the information as sought by them in the Form A does not arise.

Whereas, the Commission hearing the arguments of both the parties and going through the details of information sought by the Appellant in the Form-A, directed the PIO to furnish all the information to the Appellant which are available in records. The information which does not arise or the information not available in records has to be given in writing to the Appellant. The PIO has to clearly give replies serially as sought in the Form-A by the Appellant.

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The Commission, with a caution directed the PIO to furnish all the authenticated information as directed above to the Appellant free of cost on or before 5th December'2020, and the PIO has to ensure that the information is actually received by the Appellant, *failing which u/s 20(1) of the RTI Act 2005, penalty of Rs. 25, 000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand) only shall be imposed on the PIO. Also, u/s 20(2) disciplinary action shall be recommended to the Chief Secretary, Govt. of A.P.* The Commission asked the Appellant to receive information from the PIO and convey his satisfaction or dissatisfaction before the next date of hearing.

Whereas, the 2nd hearing was held through online video / audio conference on 8th December'2020. Shri Bajum Taba, the PIO-cum-DFO, O/o Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, and the Appellants Shri Mikre Taso, & Shri Karba Riba, Upper Colony, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, appeared in the hearing through video conferencing. The PIO informed the Commission that all the information has been furnished to the Appellant as directed by the Commission in the last hearing. The Appellant, Shri Mikre Taso informed that the PIO has furnished incomplete information for Sl.no. i, v & vi, as sought in the Form-A.

Whereas, the Commission on cross examination found that all the information has been furnished to the Appellant by the PIO. However, regarding the information sought at Sl.no. v. i.e. **Copies of Geo-Tagging in details of the mentioned project areas**, the Commission directed the PIO to bring the Geo-Tagging details of the projects in the next date of hearing for clarifying the quarries of the Appellants.

The next date of hearing is fixed on 12th January' ²⁰²¹ ~~2020~~ at 10:30 hrs.

Therefore, Shri Bajum Taba, The PIO-cum-DFO, O/o Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh, is hereby summoned to appear before this Court in person on the scheduled date and time without fail.

Sd/-

(Dr. Joram Begi)


State Chief Information Commissioner
Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission
Itanagar

Memo No. APIC-131/2020 / 418

Dated, Itanagar the 9 December, 2020

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1. Shri Bajum Taba, The PIO-cum-DFO, O/o Divisional Forest Officer, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh,
2. Shri Mikre Taso, Upper Colony, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh,
3. Shri Karba Riba, Upper Colony, Likabali, Lower Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh,
4. Computer Programmer, APIC, Itanagar, to upload in APIC Website,
5. Case file.


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