



**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR**

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

No.APIC-159/2020

Dated, Itanagar the 5th January' 2021

Under Section 19(3) RTI Act, 2005

Appellant

**Shri Tanga Byaling,
Sigumrijo,
Po/Ps Daporijo,
Upper Subansiri District,
Arunachal Pradesh,**

Vs

Respondent

**Shri Taluk Rai,
The PIO-cum-EE (RWD),
Daporijo Division,
Upper Subansiri District ,
Arunachal Pradesh.**

Dated of hearing held on : 5th January' 2021.

ORDER

Whereas, an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 has been received from Shri Tanga Byaling, Sigumrijo, Po/Ps Daporijo, Upper Subansiri District, Arunachal Pradesh, for non-furnishing of information, by Public Information Officer, Executive Engineer(RWD), Daporijo Division, Upper Subansiri District , Arunachal Pradesh, as sought, by the Appellant under section 6(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on 11/09/2020 regarding PMGSY Scheme for the road works.

Whereas, the 1st hearing was held on 5th January'2021. Shri Taluk Rai, the PIO-cum-Executive Engineer (RWD), Daporijo Division, was found absent. The PIO was represented by Shri Jumge Nyodu, Junior Engineer (RWD), Daporijo Division. The Appellant Shri Tanga Byaling attended the hearing in person. Shri Jumge Nyodu, Junior Engineer informed the Commission that the PIO is attending the meeting with Chief Engineer at Itanagar, so the PIO is not able to attend the Court hearing. The Junior Engineer brought the information in the court and the same was handed over to the Appellant. The Junior Engineer also informed that due to some technical problem information could not be furnished to the Appellant within the prescribed stipulated period.

Whereas, from the record available in the commission it has been found that the Appellant submitted his application for the information regarding various Road Construction under PMGSY Schemes on 11/09/2020 Under Section 7(I) of the RTI Act 2005. The PIO should have furnished the information within 30 days from the date of receipt of the application but he kept quiet. The Appellant Under Section 19(I) of the Act submitted his appeal to the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 13/10/2020. The FAA also did not take any action on the matter.

Therefore, the Commission viewed the absence of the PIO and deliberately evading the statutory duty very seriously. If the PIO is found absent in the next date of hearing **Arrest Warrant U/s 18(3)(a)** of the RTI Act 2005 will be issued to enforce the attendance of the PIO and If the information furnished to the Appellant are found to be incomplete or misleading or incorrect, **U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act**, penalty of Rs. 25, 000/- (Rupees twenty five thousand) only will be imposed on the PIO. Also, **U/s 20(2) of the RTI Act** disciplinary action against the PIO under the service rules will be recommended to the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.

The Commission asked the Appellant to go through the information and convey his satisfaction or dissatisfaction in the next date of hearing.

The next date of hearing is fixed on 9th February' 2021 at 10:30 hrs.

Therefore, Shri Taluk Rai, the PIO-cum-Executive Engineer (RWD), Daporijo Division, Upper Subansiri 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

Dated, Itanagar the 08 January'2021

Memo No.APIC-159/2020/21

Copy to:

1. Shri Taluk Rai, the PIO-cum-Executive Engineer(RWD), Daporijo Division, Upper Subansiri District , Arunachal Pradesh,
2. Shri Tanga Byaling, Sigumrijo, Po/Ps Daporijo, Upper Subansiri District, Arunachal Pradesh, Computer Programmer, APIC, Itanagar, to upload in APIC Website,
3. Case file.

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