ARUNACHAL PRADESH STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION <u>ITANAGAR</u>

(Before the Hon'ble Information Commissioner Mr. Genom Tekseng)

APIC-No.153/2022(Appeal)

PENAGAR

Shri Abhinash Tana, Village Palin, PO/PS: Pakke-Kessang, District Pakke-Kessang, Arunachal Pradesh. (M) 7085846378. Appellant

--Versus--

PIO-cum-PD, Project Director, O/o the District Panchayat Development Officer, Lemmi, Pakke-Kessang District, Arunachal Pradesh. Respondent

Date of hearing: 27.05.2022

ORDER

The appellant Mr. Abhinash Tana is present. The PIO is again absent.

During the hearing, the appellant submits that the PIO has not yet furnished the remaining information sought in Sl.No.6(c), (d), (e), (f), (g) & (i) of his RTI application. He further states that the information furnished earlier is also far from satisfactory.

During last hearing on 22-04-2022 the PIO was directed to furnish the remaining information sought in Sl.No.6(C), (D), (E), (F), (G) & (I) of the present RTI application within 20 days. Above direction was given in the presence of the appellant Mr. Abhinash Tana & Mr. G.Tachey, JE, authorised representative of the PIO.

It is noticed that the PIO has not furnished the information nor appeared before the commission. This commission takes serious exception on the no-appearance of the PIO during the hearing and also for non-compliance of the commission's direction given on 22-04-2022.

It is also observed that the PIO cannot shift his responsibility to the Member Secretary, Gram Panchayat or DPDO Zila Parisad as the work was carried out under his supervision/control. The onus is on the PIO to furnish the requisite information. Further the PIO is duty bound to collect the information from the O/o the EE, Pakke-Kessang and furnish it to the appellant as the RTI application cannot be transferred at this stage. After considering the facts and circumstances of the case, PIO is directed to provide the required information by taking assistance of the concerned officers i.e. Member Secretary of Gram Panchayat, DPDO, Zila Parisad and EE, PHED, Pakke-Kessang.

The PIO shall comply with the above direction within 25 days from the date of issue of this order and failing which non-compliance action shall be initiated by the commission.

Hearing is adjourned to 05.08.2022.

The PIO is directed to be present during the hearing on the above mentioned date. Copy of this order may be provided to the parties free of cost.

Sd/-(Genom Tekseng) Information Commissioner

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