



ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION
ITANAGAR.

An Appeal Case U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005

Case No. APIC- 834/2025.

APPELLANT
RESPONDENT

:Shri Nabam Tangum, Jote-II
:The PIO, o/o the Circle Officer, Sangdupota Circle District
Papum Pare A.P

ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Kimin Ingo for non-furnishing of below mentioned information by the PIO, o/o the Circle Officer, Sangdupota Circle District Papum Pare A.P as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 02.09.2025:

A) Particular of Information: Regarding Land possession certificate (LPC) copy of Shri Pango Gango Located Jote-II Village

B) Details of Information required

1. Furnish the certified copy of the Land gift deed/ Land sale deed/ Agreement letter made between Shei Nabam Sanjay of Jote-II village and on Shri Pango Gango.
2. Furnish the certified copy of the Land possession certificate From submitted by Shri Pango Gango to the C.O Sangdupota along with all the relevant document i.e (i) ST (ii) PRC (iii) pass photo copy (iv) Voter ID card (v) Aadhar Card (vi) Electricity bill/ Water bill.
3. Furnish the certified copy of the sketch map copy.

C) Period for which information asked for: 2025.

Brief facts emerging from the appeal and decision thereon:

Records in the appeal reveal that the appellant had requested the PIO for the aforementioned information but failed to obtain the same within the statutory period of one month which prompted him to file appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA), the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Govt. of A.P, Balijan under section 19(1) of the RTI Act vide Memo of Appeal dt. 19.09.2025. But having failed yet again to obtain the information, he preferred his 2nd Appeal before this Commission under section 19(3) of the RTI Act vide Appeal Memo dt. 06.11.2025.

This appeal is, accordingly, listed today on 20.03.2026 wherein the appellant, Shri Nabam Tangum is present in person while the PIO is absent.

This Commission observes that there is no record of the First Appellate Authority's taking any action on the appeal.

The First Appellate Authority, being well versed with the functioning of the department, ought to have adjudicated the appeal and passed a suitable order on merit and in speaking form stating therein the reasons for his decision. In doing so, the FAA, as the quasi-judicial authority under the RTI Act, ought to have heard both the parties.

In the instant case, the First Appellate Authority, having not adjudicated on the appeal as mandated under section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, this Commission deems it appropriate to remand the appeal to the First Appellate Authority, the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Govt. of A.P, Balijan for adjudication.

The First Appellate Authority, being the officer senior in rank to the PIO and well versed with the knowledge of the functioning of the department, ought to apply his mind and go into the aspects like what kind of information was sought by the appellant in his application, whether the same could be provided or exempted under the relevant provisions of section 8 and 9 of the RTI Act and pass a speaking order giving justification for his decision.

The appeal is, accordingly, remanded to the First Appellate Authority, for adjudication and passing an appropriate order within 4(four) weeks from the date of receipt of this order with liberty to the appellants to prefer second appeal, if dissatisfied or aggrieved by the decision of the First Appellate Authority within 90 days of the receipt of the order of the FAA for which no cost need be paid.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 20th March, 2026.

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

Memo No. APIC-834/2025 / 736 Dated Itanagar, the 23 March, 2026

Copy to:

1. The Additional Deputy Commissioner Balijan, Papum Pare District, the First Appellate Authority (FAA), for information and compliance..
2. The PIO, o/o the Circle Officer, Sangdupota Circle, District Papum Pare A.P (PIN: 791113) for information.
3. Shri Nabam Tangum, Village Jote-II PO- NIT Jote PS- Balijan District Papum Pare PIN: 791113 (Contact No. 8729854557) for information.
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