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## ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION

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

Case No. APIC-857/2025.

**APPELLANT** : Shri Chow Lajamang, Mannow, Namsai.

**RESPONDENT** : The PIO, o/o the EE (PWD) Kanubari Division, Longding.

### ORDER

This is an appeal under Section 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005 received from Shri Chow Lajamang Mannow for non-furnishing of below mentioned information by the PIO o/o the EE (PWD) Kanubari Division, Longding District (A.P) as sought for by him under section 6(1) (Form-A) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his application dated 07.08.2025.

**A) Particular of information** : Work Charged (W/C) Staff

**B) Details of Information:**

- 1) Certified Copy of Category of Work Charged (W/C) Serving under your Division.
- 2) Certified Copy of Appointment Letter of all the W/C staff serving under your Division.
- 3) Certified Copy of place of posting of all the W/C staff serving under your Division.
- 4) Certified copy of e-data of all the W/C staff serving under you Division.
- 5) Certified copy of total number of W/C staff with name attached under o/o CE (EZ) PWD/CE SIDP, PWD, SE PWD, Khonsa Circle etc. Give specific reason why they are attached in the above mentioned office.
- 6) Certified Copy of Recruitment Rules (RR) of W/C staff from Government of Arunachal Pradesh.
- 7) Certified Copy of Guidelines of Regulatory Scheme and Draft Recruitment Rules of W/C Staff from the Competent Authority.
- 8) Certified copy of CPWD/W/C Establishment rules and regulation of W/C staff.
- 9) Certified Copy of DPC, Trade Test of all the W/C staff serving under your Division.
- 10) Certified Copy of Interview or Viva details, Videography of Interview of all the W/C staff recruited.
- 11) Certified Copy of Board members of all the W/C staff recruited under your Division.
- 12) Certified Copy of present strength and total strength of W/C staff under your Division.
- 13) Certified copy of attendance register of all the W/C staff serving under your Division.
- 14) Certified copy of total number with name, contact No. service Identity Card, Aadhar Card W/C staffs appointed from other district of A.P.
- 15) Certified copy of name, contact No. service Identity Card, Aadhar Card of all the Superintending Engineer who appointed W/C staffs from 2017- till date
- 16) Period for which information asked for:-2017-till date.

**Brief facts emerging from the appeal:**

Records emerging from the appeal disclose that the Appellant, Shri Chow Lajamang Mannow had requested the PIO for the aforementioned information / documents but failed to obtain the same which prompted him to appeal before the Chief Engineer (PWD), Eastern Zone, Namsai, the First Appellate Authority (FAA) under Section 19 (1) of RTI Act, 2005 vide his Memo of Appeal dt. 24-09-2025.

Records further reveal that the FAA vide his letter dtd. 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct. 2025, directed the PIO-cum-EE, Kanubari Division to take necessary action as sought by the applicant/appellant as available/applicable under the provision of the RTI Act 2005. The extract of the letter of FAA is reproduced below:

*"This is regarding an appeal dated 24.09.2025 received by this court of the First Appellate Authority on 25.09.2025 under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act-2005 which is in reference to the various information sought vide Form 'A' of the original RTI application dated 07.08.2025 of Chow Lajamang Mannow of Village Nanam Khamti, P.O. Manmow, Dist- Namsai, A.P, which was reportedly submitted to your office, regarding the details of Work Charged (W/C) staff.*

*It appears from the grounds of the appeal that no communication is made to the Applicant from your end.*

*As such, it is directed to take necessary action as sought by the Applicant/Appellant, as available/applicable under the provisions of the RTI Act-2005. A copy of appeal along with RTI application is enclosed for your necessary action, and to intimate the course of action taken to the undersigned along with information to the Applicant within 15 (fifteen) days of the receipt of this order/letter.*

*Enclosed: As above*

*Sd/-*

*First Appellate Authority"*

However, the appellant, apparently, having failed yet again to obtain the information preferred second appeal before this Commission under Section 19 (3) of the RTI Act, 2005 vide memo of appeal dated 13.11.2025.

This appeal is, accordingly, listed today on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2026 wherein the appellant, Chow Lajamang Mannow appeared through VC while Er. Shri Gyamar Taram, AE and the APIO is present in person.

Heard the parties.

The appellant submitted that the o/o the PIO has furnished incomplete documents and therefore requested for an appropriate direction to the PIO. The APIO, on the other hand submitted that the requested documents were furnished to the appellant vide letter dt. Nil the extract of which is reproduced hereunder:

*"Dear Sir,*

*Enclosed find herewith the RTI information sought by you from this Office is hereby furnished in Para wise for your information.*

Details of Information as per below-

- 1) Certified Copy of Category of Work Charged (W/C) Staffs serving under your Division:-  
Enclosed in Annexure- A.
- 2) Certified Copy Appointment Letter of all the W/C Staff serving under your Division:  
Enclosed in Annexure-B
- 3) Certified Copy of place of posting of all the W/C staff serving under your Division:  
Enclosed in Annexure- A
- 4) Certified Copy of E-data of all the W/C Staffs serving under your Division. Not pertains in this Division.
- 5) Certified Copy of total number of W/C Staff with name attached under Ovo CE (EZ) PWD/CE/SIDP, PWD, SE PWD, Khonsa Circle etc. Give specific reasons why they are attached in the above mentioned Office: Nil
- 6) Certified Copy of Recruitment Rules (RR) of W/C from GoAP.: Not pertains in this Division since appointment matter is not done in Divisional level.
- 7) Certified Copy of Guidelines of Regulatory Scheme and Draft Recruitment Rules of W/C Staff from competent Authority:-Not pertains in this Division.
- 8) Certified Copy of CPWD/W/C Establishment rules and regulations of W/C Staff. Not available since matter of W/C appointment is not done in this Division.
- 9) Certified Copy of DPC, Trade Test, and all the W/C Staff serving under your Division:-  
Not available since matter of we appointment is not done in this Division.
- 10) Copy of interview or Viva details, videography of interview of all the W/C Staff recruited Not pertains in this Division.
- 11) Certified Copy of Board members formed of all the W/C Staffs recruited under your Division -Not pertains in this Division.
- 12) Certified Copy of Present Strength and Total Strength of W/C Staff under your Division:-  
Enclosed in Annexure-C.
- 13) Certified Copy of Attendance Register of all the W/C Staffs serving under your Division.  
Annexure- D
- 14) Certified Copy of Total number with name, contract number, service identity card, Aadhar Card of W/C Staffs appointed from other district of A.P.: - Nil
- 15) Certified Copy of Name, Contract number, Aadhar card, service identity card of all the Superintending Engineer who appointed W/C Staffs from 2017 till date:  
Not pertains in this Division

Encl: As Stated above.

Sd/-  
Executive Engineer (PIO)  
Kanubari PWD”

This Commission perused the replies/information furnished by the PIO to the appellant and it is noticed that most of the requested information/documents have been furnished to the appellant. However, against some of the queries, the PIO has remarked /replied, "Nill" which can not be accepted under the RTI Act.

This Commission deems it appropriate to bring the attention of the PIO to the provisions of RTI law that when an information is denied to the applicant, the reason thereof has to be communicated to the applicant to his satisfaction as provided under section 7(8)(i) of the RTI Act. And as mandated by section-18(3)(c) and under rule-5(vi) of the AP Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2005, the submission/reply of the PIO has to be declared/supported by way of an affidavit.

In view of the position of law as above, the PIO is directed to furnish appropriate replies by way of an affidavit to those queries which the PIO does not hold. The PIO shall also furnish the copy of DPC, Trade Test of all the W/C staff and the Interview or Viva details, Videography of Interview of all the W/C staff **minus** the names of Board Members as the disclosure of the names are exempted under section 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act, 2005 and in terms of the Supreme Court judgement in CBSE Vs Aditya Bandpdhya and Bihar Public Service Commission Vs Sayed Hussain Abbas cases.

The PIO shall furnish the left out information and the affidavit within 1(one) month and report the compliance thereof on or before 08.05.2026. The appellant shall also intimate this Commission of the receipt of the documents within same deadline failing which this appeal shall stand closed without further notice.

Given under my hand and seal of this Commission on this 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2026.

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

Memo No. APIC- 857/2025 / 1757 Dated Itanagar, the 2 April, 2026

Copy to:-

1. The Chief Engineer (PWD), Eastern Zone Namsai, the First Appellate Authority (FAA) for information and ensuring compliance by the PIO.
2. The PIO, o/o the EE (PWD), Khonsa Division, Longding District (A.P) PIN: 792131 for information and compliance.
3. Shri Chow Lajamang Mannow, Village-Nanam Khampti, PO-Manmow, Dist : Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh, PIN - 792103 Mobile No. 7629857269 for information.
4. The Computer Programmer/Computer Operator for uploading on the Website of APIC, please.
5. Office copy.
6. S/Copy.

*Pragya*  
Registrar/ Deputy Registrar  
APIC, Itanagar

Deputy Registrar  
Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission