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No.NIC/Appeal-3/2021-22

Dated Kohima, the 27th July, 2021

Subject: Notice for Hearing on 11th August, 2021 (Wednesday) at 2:00 P.M.

WHEREAS, under Section 19 (3) of the Right to Information Act, 2005, the Commission had received a Second Appeal dated 02.12.2020 from Shri. Isaac Ovung and Shri. Serangmong K. Sangtam, Nagaland Pradesh Youth Congress (NPYC), Congress Bhavan, Nagaland, Kohima – 797001, Phone No. 0370-2292349/ 8131861731, Fax : 0370-2291367, Email : <u>npyc2016@gmail.com</u> for furnishing unsatisfactory information by the PIO and unsatisfactory outcome of the First Appeal Hearing by the First Appellate Authority to their RTI application dated 15.09.2020 and subsequent First Appeal dated 28.09.2020.

AND WHEREAS, the applicants (now appellants), Shri. Isaac Ovung and Shri. Serangmong K. Sangtam, had earlier submitted an RTI application dated *15.09.2020* addressed to the PIO, Khadi and Village Industries Commission, Kohima, Nagaland seeking the following information:

- *i.* Please furnish the sanctioned order received by the department from the Centre for the Scheme of *PMEGP during 2015 till date;*
- ii. Please furnish the actual amount paid to each beneficiary in District wise during 2015 till date;
- *iii. Please furnish the beneficiaries who had availed online payments (DBT/Cash/Cheques) for the last three years, 2015 till date;*
- *iv.* Please furnish the release of payment order issued for the beneficiaries by the Department for the last five years, 2015 till date;
- v. How much transport subsidies has the Department received for the last five years? Kindly furnish the sanction order along with list of distribution to the beneficiaries, from 2015 till date;
- vi. Please furnish the number of beneficiary Villages out of the total 1428 Villages, 26 Towns (19 statutory and 7 census Towns) under PMEGP;
- vii. Please furnish the sustainable employment of tradition and prospective artisans, rural and urban unemployed youth in Nagaland District wise from 2017 till date;
- viii. Kindly furnish the total no. of funds sanctioned and utilized funds under the Quantum and Nature of Financial Assistance of PMEGP, under the special category enlisted viz, SC/ST/OBC/Minorities, Women, Ex-Servicemen, Physically Handicap, Hill and Border areas etc. from 2015 till date;
 - ix. Kindly furnish Guidelines and Committee list for selection of PMEGP 2020-21;
 - *x. Kindly furnish the selected list of beneficiary District wise of 2020-21 in soft copies (CD/Pen Drive).*

AND WHEREAS, on not getting satisfactory information from Shri. Zhalezo Zhasa, PIO, NKVIB, Kohima, Nagaland, vide his letter *No. KVI/RTI-1/2017-08/139* dated *24.09.2020* to their RTI application dated *15.09.2020*, the applicants (now appellants) had, vide letter *No. NIL* dated *28.09.2020* submitted the First Appeal addressed to the First Appellate Authority, Office of the Khadi & Village Industries Board, Nagaland, Kohima.

AND WHEREAS, a Hearing of First Appeal was conducted on 30.09.2020 at 10:30 A.M in the Office Chamber of Chief Executive Officer, NKVIB, Nagaland, Kohima and after hearing the parties i.e., the applicants and the PIO concerned, the FAA had passed decision vide Order No.KVI/RTI-1/2007-08/140 dated 05.10.2020 stating that the CEO explained all other minute points regarding PMEGP implementation in the State which were discussed and clarified with the NPYC Office functionaries and they were satisfied with the explanation and resolved the Appeal under Section 19 (1) of the RTI Act, 2005.

AND WHEREAS, on not being satisfied to the above decision of the FAA dated 05.10.2020 the applicants (now appellants) had, vide letter No. NIL dated 06.10.2020 submitted an application seeking to review the unsatisfactory meeting minutes of the hearing to the First Appellate Authority, Office of the Khadi & Village Industries Board, Nagaland, Kohima. And in response to the application, the FAA had vide letter No.KVI/RTI-1/2007-08/143 dated 12.10.2020 requested the applicants (now appellants) to specifically point out the question and reply furnished by the public authority which they are not satisfied.

AND WHEREAS, the applicants (now appellants) in reply to the above mentioned FAA letter dated **12.10.2020** stated that, the outcome of the meeting was totally distorted and fabricated to the convenience

of the NKVIB, and that, instead of clarifying and rectifying the manipulated meeting has referred to the appellants to point out unsatisfactory questions and reply furnished rather than correcting the needful to their satisfaction and that, they felt justice in dispensing fair reply of the information sought was denied. Therefore, they have decided to approach higher appropriate authority for justice as per the provision enshrined in the RTI Act, 2005.

AND WHEREAS, the Commission, on receipt of the above mentioned Second Appeal dated 02.12.2020 from the applicants (now appellants), Shri. Isaac Ovung and Shri. Serangmong K. Sangtam, Nagaland Pradesh Youth Congress (NPYC), had issued a Directive vide No.NIC/Gen/RTI-19/17 dated 22.12.2020 to review the RTI application and furnish the correct and complete information as sought within 45 (forty five) days.

AND WHEREAS, in response to the above Directive of the Commission dated 22.12.2020, the Chief Executive Officer & FAA, NKVIB, Kohima vide letter *No.KVI/RTI-1/2007-08/142* dated 21.01.2021 addressed to the State Information Commissioner clarified on the matter and explained in detail regarding the case.

AND WHEREAS, since the Commission was not convinced and not satisfied with the above order *No.KVI/RTI-1/2007-08/140* dated *05.10.2020* and letter *No.KVI/RTI-1/2007-08/142* dated *21.01.2021* of the Chief Executive Officer & FAA, NKVIB, Kohima, the Commission has decided to hear the appeal giving opportunity of being heard to all the parties on <u>11th August, 2021 (Wednesday) at 2:00 PM(noon)in</u> the Hearing Room of Nagaland Information Commission, Agri-farm Colony, Lane-6, H/No. 578, Nagaland, Kohima.

NOW THEREFORE, the following parties are directed to appear before this Commission and <u>also</u> to bring the files and relevant documents in question for scrutiny on the above date and time for hearing. The following under mentioned officials are requested to attend the hearing with preventive measures such as wearing of face mask and social distancing etc. Only 2 (two) persons from each party will be allowed with strict protocol.

- 1. Shri. Kuhoyi Jimo, Chief Executive Officer & First Appellate Authority, Office of the Nagaland Khadi and Village Industries Board, Nagaland, Kohima-797001.
- 2. Shri. Zhalezo Zhasa, PIO, NKVIB, Nagaland, Kohima-797001.
- 3. The applicants (now appellants), Shri. Isaac Ovung and Shri. Serangmong K. Sangtam, Nagaland Pradesh Youth Congress (NPYC), Congress Bhavan, Nagaland, Kohima 797001, Phone No. 0370-2292349/ 8131861731, Fax : 0370-2291367, Email : npyc2016@gmail.com.

Sd/-

G. H. RAMLIA State Information Commissioner **Dated Kohima, the 27th July, 2021**

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