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No. NIC/APPEAL-28/2024-25

Dated Kohima, the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

**Subject: - Notice for hearing on 15<sup>th</sup> April (Tuesday), 2025 at 11:00 AM.**

WHEREAS, the Commission had received a Second Appeal dated **20.01.2024** from Shri. **Yanghore B. Sangtam**, Forest Ward, Kiphire, Nagaland, Ph. No. 9612328214 / 7005234844 against the unsatisfactory decision of the FAA, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland, Kohima to his First Appeal dated **05.11.2024** which was submitted against the unsatisfactory response of the PIO, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland, Kohima to his RTI application dated **03.10.2024**.

AND WHEREAS, the applicant had submitted a RTI application dated **03.10.2024** along with an application fee of Rs. 10/- only addressed to the PIO, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland, Kohima seeking the following information: -

1. Kindly furnish me in xerox copy of the sanction amount and the year for construction of DLRSO office at Kiphire.
2. Kindly furnish me in xerox copy of the Sale Deed agreement along with the area/measurements of land which the department has already purchased at Kiphire.
3. Kindly furnish me in xerox copy of the Department spot inspection report in detail.
4. Kindly furnish me in xerox copy of the re-proposal send by the Department Land Revenue to Planning & Transformation for outright purchase of building cum-residence instead approved new office construction.
5. Kindly furnish me in xerox copy of the approval order for outright purchase of building cum-residence by Department Planning & Transformation.
6. Kindly furnish me in xerox copy the tentative duration for completion of new office construction building.
7. Kindly enlighten me by the department under what circumstances/ issues the construction of new office building has been diverted to outright purchase of building cum-residence. Do we not deserve a brand new office building?

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the above RTI application on **03.10.2024**, Shri. **C. Danted Phom**, Joint Secretary & PIO, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland, Kohima had, vide letter No. **LR-7-153/RTI/2015 (Pt)/219** dated **01.11.2024**, furnished the information to the applicant.

AND WHEREAS, on not being satisfied with the above reply of the PIO, the applicant had submitted a First Appeal dated **05.11.2024** addressed to the Commissioner & Secretary & FAA, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland, Kohima.

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the First Appeal dated **05.11.2024** on **09.11.2024**, Dr. **Zasekuolie Chusi**, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary & FAA, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland, Kohima had, after hearing of the First Appeal with the concerned parties, passed his



decision vide **No. LR-7-153/RTI/2015(Pt)** dated **17.12.2024** wherein he had clarified on the following clarifications sought by the applicant (now appellant) during the hearing: -

- i. *How the land at Kiphire was acquired? What was the source of funding, whether the purchase was approved by the SLAA, why the government has abandoned the land and went for outright purchase instead of constructing a new building at the already purchased land.*

*To which the Department informed/ clarified that the land was purchased by the former Parliamentary Secretary, Shri. L. Khumo on behalf of the Government. There is no official record with the Department with regard to the source of funding. The decision for outright purchase is the sole decision of the SLAA.*

- ii. *How the State Land Acquisition Authority (SLAA) cleared for outright purchase of the building when an amount of Rs. 1,00,00,000 (One Crore) was sanctioned for construction of a new building? Under what process, the SLAA has approved for the outright purchase of the building? Was there any inspection from the SLAA?*

*The SLAA being the highest decision making Authority in the State in the matter of Land Acquisition/ Requisition/ Allotment and even on outright purchase, it is therefore, beyond the purview of the Land Revenue Department to question the decision of the SLAA.*

- iii. *Why the Public Information Officer failed to provide the factual report of the spot verification report?*

*The Government did not give any Official order/ approval for inspection of the building. The letter written by the Director, Directorate of Land Records & Survey stating spot verification report has not yet officially received by the Government. Hence, the question of the PIO not providing the factual report does not arise.*

Further, he had directed the Department to furnish all relevant records/facts available with the Department to the appellant as per his request and declared the matter as disposed of.

AND WHEREAS, in compliance to the FAA's directive, Shri. **Lanuyapang**, Under Secretary & APIO, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland had, vide letter **No. LR-7-153/RTI/2015(Pt)** dated **19.12.2024**, furnished the additional information to the applicant (now the appellant).

AND WHEREAS, since the applicant was still not satisfied with the additional information furnished by the APIO, he had submitted a Second Appeal dated **20.01.2024** before the Commission.

AND WHEREAS, since the applicant (now appellant) is still not satisfied with the additional information furnished by the public authority, the Commission has decided to hear the above mentioned appeal by giving opportunity of being heard to all the parties on **15<sup>th</sup> April, 2025 (Tuesday)** at **11:00 AM** in the **Hearing Room of Nagaland Information Commission, Nagaland Commissions' Complex, Below NBCC Convention Centre, New Capital Complex, Nagaland, Kohima.**



NOW THEREFORE, it is notified that the following parties are directed to appear before this Commission and *also to bring the files and relevant documents* in question for scrutiny on the above date and time for hearing.

1. Dr. *Zasekuolie Chusi*, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary & FAA, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland.
2. Shri. *C. Danted Phom*, Joint Secretary & PIO, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland.
3. Shri. *Lanuyapang*, Under Secretary & APIO, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland.
4. The applicant (now appellant), Shri. *Yanghore B. Sangtam*, Forest Ward, Kiphire, Nagaland, Ph. No. 9612328214 / 7005234844.

Sd/- KEVISA KENSE, IAS (Rtd)

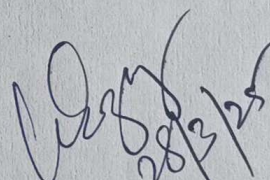
Chief Information Commissioner

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Dated Kohima, the 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2025

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3. The PA to the SIC (K), for kind information of the State Information Commissioner.
4. Dr. Zasekuolie Chusi, IAS, Commissioner & Secretary & FAA, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland.
5. Shri. C. Danted Phom, Joint Secretary & PIO, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland.
6. Shri. Lanuyapang, Under Secretary & APIO, Land Revenue Department, Nagaland.
7. The Computer Programmer, Nagaland Information Commission for uploading on the website and Notice Board.
8. The applicant (now appellant), Shri. Yanghore B. Sangtam, Forest Ward, Kiphire, Nagaland, Ph. No. 9612328214 / 7005234844.
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