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No. NIC/APPEAL-4/2025-26

Dated Kohima, the 16th July, 2025

Subject: Notice for Hearing on 31st July, 2025 (Thursday) at 12:30 PM.

WHEREAS, the Commission had on **02/07/2025** received a second appeal dated **02/07/2025** from Shri. Ketholezo & party, Phone No. 9862089238, against non-satisfactory response of the Director & FAA, Directorate of Land Resources to his first appeal dated **NIL** which was submitted against the unsatisfactory reply of the PIOs /District Project Officers of Peren, Phek, Kiphire, Noklak and Tuensang to his RTI application dated **28/10/2024**.

AND WHEREAS, the applicants had submitted a RTI application dated **28/10/2024** addressed to the PIO, Land Resources Department, Nagaland, Kohima, seeking the following information under Right to Information Act, 2025 :-

1. *The record of amount sanctioned and received by the Land Resources Department under Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayi Yojana - Integrated Watershed Development for the year 2021-22 and 2022-23.*
2. *The complete list of villages and beneficiaries under Sl. No. 1 and the APR of any transaction made under Sl. No. 1.*
3. *The record of amount sanctioned and received by the Land Resources Department under Integrated Watershed Development Programme - Tribal Area Sub - plan for the year 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24.*
4. *The complete list of villages and beneficiaries under Sl. No. 3 and the APR of any transaction made under SL. No. 3.*
5. *The complete record of expenditure made under Sl. No. 1 and 3; and the authority under whom these expenditure were made.*
6. *The complete record of Photos of work executed – ongoing, completed of the works undertaken under Sl. No. 1 and 3.*
7. *Name and designation of the Officer taking action for issue.*

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the above RTI application dated **NIL**, the PIO (District Project Officers of Peren, Phek, Kiphire, Noklak and Tuensang) had furnished replies to the applicants.

AND WHEREAS, on not being satisfied with the above information furnished by the PIOs /District Project Officers of Peren, Phek, Kiphire, Noklak and Tuensang, the applicants had submitted first appeal dated **NIL** to the FAA, Land Resources Department, Nagaland, Kohima on the following :-

Incomplete

1. *In response Sl. No. 1 of the RTI application, the RTI reply and the records of amount withdrawn and received by the Department of Land Resources do not tally. The RTI reply shows a difference (misappropriation) of Rs. 6,07,65,422/- (Rupees six crore seven lakhs sixty five thousand four hundred and twenty two, copy enclosed).*

2. *In response to Sl. No. 2, the District Project Officers provided wrong and inaccurate data and records:*

- *The DPO of Noklak provided records which did not have any proof of work executed in two villages (Nokyan, Wonsoi). Photo proof of many other works are found missing. (List of missing activities enclosed)*
- *The DPO of Tuensang provided records which were missing photos of many works/activities which the DPO stated were undertaken.*
- *The record of Phek district was also missing many proofs of works undertaken.*
- *The reply of DPO, Peren was missing many works/activities particularly Link roads, Sarovar, Eco garden, etc (list of missing activities provided)*

Misleading

1. *The reply and records provided by DPO, Kiphire was not provided in a proper manner as it was impossible to tally the beneficiaries with the activities undertaken.*

We believe the Department has proof of funds received by the Directorate. However, the PIO and DPOs are wilfully denying us access to these records intentionally. Or the PIO and DPOs are unable to provide records of these expenditures as the funds has been withdrawn from the State Exchequer but the funds have been misused without executing proper work.

We believe that the PIO has failed to provide the complete and correct information as required under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

Therefore, we request you, as the First Appellate Authority, to:

1. *Examine our appeal and direct the PIO and DPOs to provide complete, correct, and clear information as originally requested in our RTI application.*
2. *Direct the PIOs to provide the information within the time frame stipulated under the RTI Act.*
3. *The information be now supplied free of any cost(s), inclusive of annexures whether determined before or after inspection.*
4. *Imposition of costs on the respondents and award of costs as compensation for undue delays and mental harassment along with expenses incurred on pursuing First Appeal.*
5. *Liberty for personal presence to argue/defend the First Appeal.*

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the above first appeal on 24/04/2025, Shri. Albert Ngullie, Director & FAA, Land Resources, Nagaland, Kohima had, vide letter **No.DoLR/RTI-3/2022(Vol-II)/121-23** dated **16/05/2025**, notified the applicants and the District Project Officers of Peren, Phek, Kiphire, Noklak and Tuensang for a hearing of the first appeal on **23/05/2025** at **11:00 AM** in the Office Chamber of the Land Resources, Nagaland, Kohima.

AND WHEREAS, after hearing of the first appeal on **23/05/2025**, Shri. Albert Ngullie, Director & FAA, Land Resources, Nagaland, Kohima had, vide letter **No.DoLR/RTI-3/2022(Vol-II)/174-75** dated **26/05/2025**, forwarded the information to the applicants which was submitted by the PIOs /District Project Officers of Peren, Phek, Kiphire, Noklak and Tuensang as per the directions of the FAA during the hearing on **23/06/2025**.

AND WHEREAS, on being dissatisfied with the information furnished by the PIOs /District Project Officers of Peren, Phek, Kiphire, Noklak and Tuensang, the applicants (now appellants) had submitted second appeal dated **02/07/2025** to the Nagaland Information Commission.

AND WHEREAS, since the applicants (now appellants) are not satisfied with the information furnished, the Commission has decided to hear the above mentioned appeal giving opportunity of being heard to all the parties on **31st July 2025(Thursday) at 12:30 PM in the Hearing Room of Nagaland Information Commission, Nagaland Commissions' Complex, 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. The Director & FAA, Directorate of Land Resources, Nagaland, Kohima.
2. The District Project Officers & PIOs, Peren, Tuensang, Phek, Noklak and Kiphire.
3. The applicants (now appellants), Shri. Ketholezo & party, Mobile No. 9862089238.

Sd/-

KEVISA KENSE, IAS (Retd.)

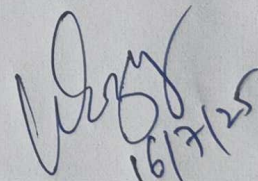
Chief Information Commissioner

Dated Kohima, the 16th July, 2025

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4. The Director & FAA, Directorate of Land Resources, Nagaland, Kohima.
5. The District Project Officers & PIOs, Peren, Tuensang, Phek, Noklak and Kiphire.
6. The applicants (now appellants), Shri. Ketholezo & party, Mobile No. 9862089238.
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Deputy Secretary