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No. NIC/APPEAL-6/2025-26

Dated Kohima, the 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2025

**Subject: - Notice for hearing on 19<sup>th</sup> August (Tuesday), 2025 at 11:00 AM.**

WHEREAS, the Commission had received a Second Appeal dated on 04/06/2025 submitted by Shri. **Zhekiho Aye**, Khushiabill Village, Dimapur, Nagaland, Mob. No. 8837218852, against unsatisfactory response of the FAA, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur to his First Appeal dated **NIL** which was submitted against the unsatisfactory reply of the PIO, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur to his RTI application dated **29.01.2025**.

AND WHEREAS, the applicant had submitted a RTI application dated 29.01.2025 along with the requisite application fee of Rs. 10/- addressed to the PIO, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur, seeking the following information pertaining to Tide Over Rice allocation from April 2021 to March 2024: -

- a. *Furnish all details with regard to the allocation of Tide Over Rice from April 2021 to March 2024 and specify the purpose/ purposes of allocation and/ or utilization and also furnish utilization certificate if any and furnish reasons if not.*
- b. *Furnish in detail on which festivals, natural, calamities, emergencies etc. for which the Tide Over Rice was allocated from April 2021 to March 2024. Furnish District wise information with regard to the allocations and specify the purpose for such allocations and also furnish allocation order, utilization certificate etc. if any and specify if not.*

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the above RTI application by the Department on the same date vide Receipt No. 936 dated 29.01.2025 as evident on the body of the RTI application, Shri. **K. Mhonthung**, Deputy Director & APIO, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur had, vide letter No. **DSE/RTI-1/2023-24/930** dated **23.02.2025**, informed the applicant that the information sought was ready and to collect the information on payment of Rs. 2/- being the cost of information i.e (one) 1 page in A4 size paper @ Rs. 2/- per page during office hours.

AND WHEREAS, the APIO had responded to the above Queries of the RTI application as below: -

*Reply to Query a. Details regarding to Tide Over Rice allocation from April 2021 to March 2024 is enclosed as Annexure – 'A' (District wise allocation of tideover category rice from 2021-24).*

*The purpose of Tide Over Scheme is for non-ration card holders which is specifically meant for natural calamities, festivals, emergencies etc.*

*Since the distribution is done by the stockiest and receipt copy being maintained by the stockiest, there is no utilization certificate in the Department.*

*Reply to Query b. Tide Over Rice issued during festivals, natural calamities, emergencies etc, are being done at Government level. As such, department have no specific record for such allocation.*

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the above reply, the applicant had submitted a First Appeal dated **NIL**, addressed to the FAA, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur stating that the information was **insufficient** and **incomplete**, and had, therefore sought additional information as below: -

- (i) *Specify to who directs the stockiest to distribute the Tide Over Rice to the Beneficiaries.*

- (ii) Specify to which is the appropriate department or authority at the Government level to issue Tide Over Rice as you have stated that it is issued at Government level.
- (iii) Specify to whether the department is responsible to maintain records of the beneficiaries of the Tide Over Rice scheme.
- (iv) Specify to whether the department or the stockiest is the Authority for granting benefits of the Tide Over Rice to the beneficiaries.
- (v) Specify whether the department has complied with the guidelines specified in the food and Security Act.
- (vi) Kindly specify in detail the address and contact details of all stockiest in the state.

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the above First Appeal dated NIL on 24.03.2025 as evident on the body of the first appeal, Shri. **Chubawati Chang**, NCS, Director & FAA, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur had heard the appeal on 07.05.2025 at 02:00 PM along with the concerned parties and passed decision vide letter No. **DSE/RTI-1/2023-24/324** dated **15.05.2025** stating that the information provided by the PIO in response to the RTI application dated 29.01.2025 was correct and that additional queries submitted by the applicant (now appellant) cannot be entertained as per the Act, but advised the applicant (now appellant) to submit fresh RTI application if so desired.

AND WHEREAS, since the applicant (now appellant) is still not satisfied with the response of the public authority, the Commission has decided to hear the above mentioned appeal by giving opportunity of being heard to all the parties on **19<sup>th</sup> August (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.

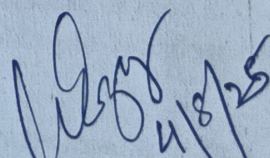
1. The Director & FAA, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur.
2. The concerned **PIO**, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur.
3. Shri. **K. Mhonthung**, Deputy Director & APIO, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur.
4. The applicant (now appellant), Shri. **Zhekiho Aye**, Khushiabill Village, Dimapur, Nagaland, Mob. No. 8837218852.

Sd/- **KEVISA KENSE, IAS (Rtd)**  
Chief Information Commissioner

Dated Kohima, the 4<sup>th</sup> August, 2025

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4. The Director & FAA, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur.
5. The concerned PIO, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur.
6. Shri. K. Mhonthung, Deputy Director & APIO, Directorate of Food & Civil Supplies, Nagaland, Dimapur.
7. The Computer Programmer, Nagaland Information Commission for uploading on the website and Notice Board.
8. The applicant (now appellant), Shri. Zhekiho Aye, Khushiabill Village, Dimapur, Nagaland, Mob. No. 8837218852.
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Deputy Secretary