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No. NIC/APPEAL-25/2025-26

Dated Kohima, the 13th February, 2026.

Subject: Closing Order of Appeal Case.

WHEREAS, the Commission had on **16/12/2025** received an appeal dated **NIL** from Shri. Ikiho Yeptho, Akito & Co-Associate, Mobile No. 7085444827/8787739268, against the unsatisfactory response of the FAA to their First Appeal dated **14/11/2025**, which was submitted against non-satisfactory response by the PIO to their RTI application dated **16/09/2025** addressed to the PIO, Department of Tribal Affairs, Nagaland, Kohima.

AND WHEREAS, the applicants had submitted an RTI application along with application dated **16/09/2025** along with application fee of Rs.10/- addressed to the PIO, Department of Tribal Affairs, Nagaland, Kohima, seeking the following information with regard to the Scheme of PMAAGY Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Scheme (SCA to TSS) - Pradhan Mantri Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana, under three District i.e., Dimapur, Chumukedima & Niuland:-

1. Copy of Central Government as sanction amount for the Schemes of PMAAGY & Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Scheme (SCA to TSS) - Pradhan Mantri Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana, allotted to the State of Nagaland Reports needed from the Financial Year 2023-2024, 2024-2025, required two years of Sanction Order allotted by the Central Government under Tribal Affairs.
2. Copy list of village name under Three Districts under PMAAGY Scheme & work order issued in all selected project under Village wise Details report needed under whose Contractor/Firm/ or Individual are issued form the Department.
3. Kindly provide the Copy of photo under PMAAGY Scheme enclosed geo-tag, before, After Works Completed enclosed Details project Report (DPR) of on-going Project under PMAAGY or Pending Project under DAJUGA (Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan Scheme).
4. Copy of Minutes of meeting under the Said Project PMAAGY Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Scheme (SCA to TSS) - Pradhan Mantri Vanbandhu Kalyan Yojana. Details report needed 2023-2025.

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the above RTI application, Shri. Imsumeren Project Officer &, PIO, Directorate of Tribal Affairs, Nagaland, Kohima had, vide letter **No.DTAN/MISC/RTI/7/2021(VOL- III)/403** dated **26/09/2025**, furnished the reply to the applicants.

AND WHEREAS, on being not satisfied with the response of the PIO, the applicants had submitted First Appeal dated **14/11/2025** to the FAA, Directorate of Tribal Affairs, Nagaland, Kohima requesting for the following information required according to their first application:-

1. Work order issued to each selected village under PMAAGY under whose firm/contractor/ or issued to village council or secretary.
2. Reason for amount deduction from the department.
3. Geo-tag before and after photocopy in each selected village under PMAAGY.

AND WHEREAS, on receipt of the above First Appeal dated **14/11/2025**, Smti. I. Sino Phom, Director & FAA, Directorate of Tribal Affairs, Nagaland, Kohima had, vide letter **No.DTAN/MISC/RTI/7/2021(VOL-III)/508** dated **20/11/2025**, summoned the applicants and concerned PIO for a first hearing on **24/11/2025** at **12:00 Noon** at the FAA's Chamber.

AND WHEREAS, after the hearing of the First Appeal dated **24/11/2025**, Smti. I. Sino Phom, Director & FAA, Directorate of Tribal Affairs had passed decision dated **24/11/2025**,

stating that "the applicants had sought for the Work Orders for 10-15 villages under Dimapur, Chumoukedima and Niuland districts, however, the department had declined the request stating that the Work Orders for the same were yet to be officially signed and shall be issued to the respective village councils soon."

AND WHEREAS, on not being satisfied with the above decision of the FAA, the applicants (now appellants) had submitted second appeal dated **16/12/2025** to the Nagaland Information Commission with a request to direct the PIO to provide the complete information:-

1. Issued of Work Order/DPR, under whose firm/contractor/company or issued either village council or chairman.
2. Provide the name of joint account holder under this PMAAGY Scheme.
3. Amount deduction from the department if any.

AND WHEREAS, the Commission had, on examination of the case observed that the PIO had on **26/09/2025** within the time limit furnished the replies pertaining to Sanction Order (Query No. 1), list of villages selected for the project (Query No. 2 part) and copy of the meeting minutes (Query No. 4) to the applicants (now appellants), however, the work order (Query No. 2 part) and the geo-tagged photo (Query No. 3) could not be furnished since the work order hadn't been issued and no work had been started at the time of replying to the RTI application dated **16/09/2025** on **26/09/2025**. The Commission further observed that even during the FAA's hearing held on **24/11/2025 at 12:00 Noon**, in response to their first appeal dated **14/11/2025**, the "work order to the respective village councils had not been officially signed" and for which the work order could not be issued, hence, there is no question of furnishing the work orders or executing the works or having geo-tagged photos.

AND WHEREAS, the Commission also observed that the applicants (now appellants) had sought "additional information" in their second appeal dated **NIL**, and that since no "additional information" can be sought at the time of appeals, the Commission dismissed the request for those "additional information".

NOW THEREFORE, it is notified to the following parties that the Appeal case is hereby declared as **closed**:-

1. Smti. I. Sino Phom, Director & FAA, Directorate of Tribal Affairs, Nagaland, Kohima.
2. Shri. Imsumeren, Project Officer & PIO, Directorate of Tribal Affairs, Nagaland, Kohima.
3. The applicants (now appellants), Shri. Ikiho Yeptho, Akito & Co-Associate, Mobile No. 7085444827/8787739268.

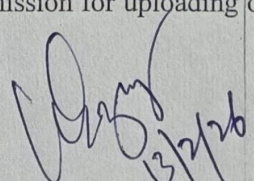
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KEVISA KENSE, IAS (Retd.)
Chief Information Commissioner

Dated Kohima, the 13th February, 2026

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3. The applicants (now appellants), Shri. Ikiho Yeptho, Akito & Co-Associate, Mobile No. 7085444827/8787739268.
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