

MIZORAM INFORMATION COMMISSION MINECO, KHATLA, MIZORAM: AIZAWL

Case No: S.A. 196/2025-MIC

Lalhruaitluanga Bawitlung, Chhinga Veng, Aizawl ...Appellant

Vs

Saidenga,
 State Public Information Officer
 &
 Deputy Controller,

...Respondent

2. Lalrohlua, DAA & Director GAD, (Aviation Wing)

RTI application filed on	:	09.02.2024
SPIO replied on	:	13.03.2024
First appeal filed on	:	NIL
Appellate Authority order	:	NIL
Second Appeal dated	:	16.01.2025
Date of Hearing	:	06.02.2025 at 03:00 PM
Date of Decision	:	06.02.2025

The Chief Information Commissioner Pu John Neihlaia and the Information Commissioner Pu Mangjangam Touthang presided over the hearing.

- 1. Lengpui Airport security atan hian CAPF engzat nge deploy an nih? Tuna deploy mek zat, rank wise, min pe turin ka dil e.
- 2. Heng CAPF te hlawh leh enkawl na senso zawng zawng atana State sawrkarin kum 2012-23 chhunga pawisa a sen zat min pe turin ka dil e.
- 3. Lengpui airport a security duty atan State police engzatnge duty? January 2024 chhunga duty zat, rank wise, min pe turin ka dil e.

- 4. Kum 2022-23 chhung khan Lengpui airport a State police duty te hlawh leh an tana senso zawng zawng zat min pe turin ka dil e.
- 5. Kum 2022-23 chhunga Lengpui Airport leh a kaihhnawih facilities atana electricity bill total amount min pe turin ka dil e.
- 6. Kum 2022-23 chhunga Lengpui leh a kaihhnawih facilities atana tui bill total amount min pe turin ka dil e.
- 7. Kum 2022-23 chhunga Lengpui airport leh a kaihhnawih enkawl nana State sawrkarin a senso zawng zawng (total revenue expenditure) min pe turin ka dil e.
- 8. Kum 2022-23 chhunga State sawrkarin Lengpui airport atanga revenue income a hmuh zawng zawng (capital receipt tel lovin) zat, source/ head wise min pe turin ka dil e.
- 9. Kum 2022-23 chhunga ATF depot leh a kaihhnawih atana an senso leh pawisa hmuh zat ka rawn dil e
- 2. Not satisfied with the reply received, the appellant preferred First Appeal on 02.08.2024 as follows:-

"CRPF hi state sorkar deploy ani a, an hlawh pawh state sorkar tum anih avang leh Lengpui Airport hi GAD hnuaia awm a nih avangin min chhanna hi a dik lova chuvangin CRPF deploy nan an hlawh leh enkawlna senso zawng zawng kum 2022-23 chhunga a senso (including liabilies for 2022-23) min pe turin ka appeal e."

3. Since the DAA remained silent on the matter, Second Appeal was preferred. Summons were issued to both the appellant and respondent to appear before the Commission on 06.02.2025 (Thursday) at 03:00 PM. As scheduled, hearing was held wherein the appellant was appeared in person. The respondent SPIO and the DAA were accompanied by Mr.C. Lalengliana, SAPIO/Addl SP, PHQ and Pu Lalnunsanga, SAPIO, Aviation Wing.

- 4. In the hearing the appellant stated that if the information sought was not available with the public authority, the SPIO should have transferred the RTI application to the concerned public authority and requested the Commission to help him get the required information.
- 5. The respondent SPIO informed that since GAD Aviation does not deal with the pay & allowances/expenditure incurred by CRPF deployed at Lengpui Airport information could not be furnished from their end. However, they had referred the matter to Home Department who in turn approached Police Headquarters (PHQ) for the same. But the reply received from PHQ was that they do not have such record. Hence, information could not be provided. The DAA/Director, Aviation apologised for not attending to the First Appeal preferred by the appellant.

OBSERVATIONS:

- 1. As per Section 6 (3) of the RTI Act, 2005, the respondent SPIO should have transferred the subject matter of which is more closely connected with the functions of another public authority as may be appropriate to that other public authority and inform the applicant immediately about such transfer as soon as practicable but in no case later than 5 (five) days from the date of receipt of the application, Mr. Saidenga is informed to be more responsible and sincere while dealing with RTI cases in future.
- 2. Since DAAs are vested with quasi-judicial powers, they are required to hear both the parties ie the appellant and respondent SPIO. While disposing off first appeals, DAAs should act in a fair and judicious manner. It is very important that the order passed by the DAA should be a detailed and speaking order, giving justification for the decision arrived at. In future, Mr. Lalrohlua is informed to strictly adhere to the provisions of Section 19 of the RTI Act, 2005.

DECISION:

In view of the above, the respondent SPIO shall transfer the RTI application to the concerned public authority at the earliest and submit compliance report to Mizoram Information Commission not later than 18.02.02025 (Tuesday).

The appeal is disposed of accordingly. Copy of decision to be given, free of cost, to all parties.

(MANGJANGAM TOUTHANG)
Information Commissioner
Mizoram Information Commission

(JOHN NEIHLAIA)
Chief Information Commissioner
Mizoram Information Commission