



**ARUNACHAL PRADESH INFORMATION COMMISSION, (APIC)
ITANAGAR, RUNCHAL PRADESH**

Appeal U/S 19(3) of RTI Act, 2005
vide No. APIC-95/2020

**BEFORE THE HON'BLE COURT OF SHRI GOTO ETE, THE STATE
INFORMATION COMMISSIONER**

Shri Ngurang Tana
PO/PS Doimukh,
Papumpare District
Arunachal Pradesh Appellant

-VERSUS -

Shri Pekhi Nabam
PIO-cum-Under Secretary
Hydro Power Department
Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar, Respondent

Date of Judgment/order: **03.09.2020**

JUDGMENT/ORDER

Brief fact of the case is that the appellant named above filed an RTI application under Form-A on 19.03.2020 before one Mr. GS Meena, Commissioner Power, whereby, seeking various information under sub-section (1) of Section-6 of the RTI Act, 2005 in respect of Pare and Ranga Nadi Hydro Electric Project, NEEPCO Ltd, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh. The Commissioner, having receipt of the application on the same day on 19.03.2020, endorsed the same to the PIO-cum-US (HPD) on 20.03.2020 for furnishing of the information to the applicant/appellant.

Being aggrieved of having not received any of the information so sought under the RTI Act, the applicant/appellant on 08.05.2020 directly filed a First Appeal U/S 19 of the RTI Act, 2005 before the Chief Secretary of the State of Arunachal Pradesh. The appellant, having not received the information sought even after such filing of his First Appeal before the Chief Secretary, filed the Second Appeal before the Arunachal Pradesh Information Commission at Itanagar on 13.06.2020 on the ground of non-furnishing of the information sought. The Registry of the Commission, on receipt of the appeal, registered the same as APIC-95/2020 and processed it to the Commission for hearing and disposal.

Accordingly, this appeal came up for hearing before the Commission for two consecutive dates, i.e, on 20.08.2020 and 03.09.2020. During the course of hearing this Second Appeal filed by the appellant was prima-facie found liable for dismissal on technical ground. Be that as it may, the Commission, with having kept in mind that the true justice be not denied to the appellant only on such technical ground, decided to hear the parties. And, accordingly, both the