

6. Further, I note that the appellant, in his appeal, *inter alia*, sought reason for rejection of appeal in the arbitration case filed by the appellant. I find that this request was raised by the appellant for the first time in this appeal. As held by the Hon'ble CIC in *Harish Prasad Divedi vs. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited* (decided on January 28, 2014), an information seeker cannot be allowed to expand the scope of his RTI enquiry at appeal stage.

7. In view of the above observations, I find that there is no need to interfere with the decision of the respondent. The Appeal is accordingly dismissed.

Place: Mumbai

Date: July 15, 2021

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