

**Serial No. 04**  
**Regular List**

**HIGH COURT OF MEGHALAYA**  
**AT SHILLONG**

Crl. MC No. 56 of 2019

Date of Order: 29.11.2019

Morningstar Nongsiej

Vs.

State of Meghalaya

**Coram:**

**Hon'ble Mr. Justice Mohammad Rafiq, Chief Justice**

**Hon'ble Mr. Justice H. S. Thangkhiew, Judge**

**Appearance:**

For the Petitioner(s) : Mr. N. Mozika, Sr. Adv. with  
Ms. T. Sutnga, Adv.

For the Respondent(s) : Mr. S. Sen, Sr. GA with  
Ms. R. Colney, GA

This appeal is directed against the conviction of the accused for the offence under Section 3 (a) & Section 4 of POCSO Act, 2012, as a result of which he has been sentenced to undergo 10 years of imprisonment and to pay a fine of Rs. 10,000/- and in default of fine to undergo an additional 1(one) year imprisonment. Learned counsel for the appellant submits that he has been assigned to take up this matter by the High Court Legal Services Committee, therefore the appeal has been filed with a delay of 408 days.

For the stated reasons, the delay in filing the appeal is hereby condoned. Appeal is admitted.

The appeal be renumbered and list on 11.03.2020.

Meanwhile, record of trial Court be submitted.

Crl. M.C. No. 56 of 2019 is disposed of.

**(H.S. Thangkhiew)**  
**Judge**

**(Mohammad Rafiq)**  
**Chief Justice**

Meghalaya

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