GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

'Kamat Towers', Seventh Floor, Patto, Panaji – Goa

Appeal No. 109/2017

Kabir Gama Roy, Moksha Villa Plot, A-6, La Citadel Colony, Dona Paula Goa.

.....Appellant

V/s

- First Appellate Authority (FAA), Conservator of Forest (W.L), Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Gomantak Maratha Samaj Building, 1st floor 18th June Road Panaji.
- Public Information Officer (PIO), Dy. Conservator of Forest (Wildlife & Eco Tourism) North, 3rd floor Junta House, Panaji Goa.

CORAM: Smt. Pratima K. Vernekar, State Information Commissioner

Filed on: 20/7/2017 Decided on: 14/11/2017

<u>ORDER</u>

- 1. The Brief facts leading to the present appeal are that the appellant, Shri Kabir Gama Roy by his application, dated 27/3/2017, filed u/s 6(1) under RTI Act 2005, sought certain information from the Respondent No. 1 PIO, of the office of P.C.C. F. and Chief Wild Life warden ,Panaji, Goa under 6 points as stated therein in the said application.
- The said application was responded by the respondent no.1 PIO on 28/4/2017 denying the information to the appellant u/s 8(1)(b) of RTI Act, 2005.
- 3. Being not satisfied with the reply of Respondent PIO and as the information as sought was not furnished , the appellant filed first appeal u/s 19(1) of RTI Act,2005 with the Respondent No. 2 herein on 17/5/2017.

- 4. The respondent No. 2 FAA ,vide order dated 22/6/2017 dismissed the appeal of the appellant by upholding the say of PIO.
- 5. The appellant being aggrieved by the response of the PIO and order of FAA, has approached this commission in the second appeal filed u/s 19(3) of the RTI Act on 20/7/2017 with the contention that the information is still not provided and seeking order from this commission to direct the PIO to furnish the information and also for other relief including penalty.
- Notices were issued to the parties. Pursuant to which appellant is present in person. Respondent PIO Dr. N. Palnikanth was present Respondent No. 2 First appellate authority opted to remain absent.
- 7. On 14/11/2017 in the course of the present proceedings, Respondent No.1 PIO provided the required information to the appellant . On verification of the same , the appellant submitted that his main object was to secure the information as he was involved in welfare of animals and was pursuing the matter of illegal use of Elephants before different authorities. He graciously waived the prayer for penalty and accordingly made his endorsement on memo of appeal .
- In view of the submissions and endorsement made by the appellant,
 I find no reasons to proceed with the present appeal. Hence the appeal proceedings stands closed.

Notify the parties.

Authenticated copies of the Order should be given to the parties free of cost.

Aggrieved party if any may move against this order by way of a Writ Petition as no further Appeal is provided under the Right to Information Act 2005.

> Sd/-(**Ms.Pratima K. Vernekar**) State Information Commissioner Goa State Information Commission, Panaji-Goa

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