

GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

Kamat Tower, Seventh Floor, Patto Panaji-Goa

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

Appeal 197/2016

Gopal N. Das,
Plot.No. 101 P.D.A. Colony,
Porvorim Goa

...Appellant

V/s.

- 1.The Public Information Officer (PIO),
North Goa Planning and Development Authority,
Panaji Goa.
- 2.The Chairman, First Appellate Authority (FAA),
North Goa Planning and Development Authority,
Panaji Goa.

.Respondents

Appeal filed on: 21/09/2016

Decided on:2/05/2017

ORDER

1. The Appellant, Shri Gopal N. Das, requested for information vide his letter dated 18/04/2016 filed under section 6(1) of Right to Information Act, 2005 from Respondent No. 1, Public Information Officer (PIO), North Goa Planning and Development Authority (NGPDA), Panaji-Goa.
2. The said application was not responded by PIO within time as such deeming the same as refusal, the appellant filed first appeal u/s 19 (1) of RTI Act, 2005 with the Chairman of NGPDA, Panaji being First Appellate Authority (FAA) who is Respondent No. 2 herein.
3. It is contention of the appellant that despite of filing first appeal it was not heard and taken on board by Respondent No. 2 herein, as such he approached this Commission on 22/09/16 by way of second appeal.
4. Matter was listed on board and taken up for hearing. In the second appeal the appellant prayed for direction as against respondent PIO for providing information which was sought by him at the earliest and for invoking penal provision against PIO.
5. Parties were notified. In pursuant to the notice appellant appeared alongwith Advocate Carvelho. The Respondent PIO R. K. Pandita was also present. During the hearing on 7/04/2017, the PIO offered to furnish the information and sought leave to furnish the same and accordingly on 26/04/17 the certified copies of the information was furnished to the appellant. The time was given to the Appellant for verification of information and matter fixed for confirmation of the information by the appellant.

6. Today on 2/05/2017 when the matter was called, the appellant submitted that the information as is furnished to him confirms with his request u/s 6(1) of the Act. He further submitted that his main object was to seek the information rather than penalising PIO and since information is supplied to him now, he is not pressing for penal provisions.
7. He accordingly endorsed his say on the memo of appeal. In view of his above submission and endorsement made by the appellant. I find no reason to proceed with the appeal. Hence the appeal stands disposed. Proceedings closed.

Pronounced in open proceedings. 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 against this order 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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