GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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

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

Appeal No. 66/SIC/2015

Shri Satish V. Gawas,
 S/o. Vasudev Gawas,
 Sapna Niwas, Vasant Nagar,
 Sangueim Goa

2. Shri Sandip S. Naik, S/o. Shri Shankar Naik, R/o. H. No. 760, Varchawada, Gauthan, Sankhalim-Goa.Appellant

V/s.
Public Information Officer (PIO)/ Chief Offficer,
Sanquelim Municipal Council,
Sanquelim GoaRespondent.

Appeal Filed on: 22/06/2015 Decided on: 6/04/2017

ORDER

- 1. Appellant Shri Vasudev Gawas vide his application dated 30/03/2015 filed under section 6 (1) of the Right To Information Act, 2005 sought certain information at point No. 1 to 8 as stated therein in the said application from the Respondent No. 1 Public Information Officer (PIO), Sanquelim Muncipal Council, Sanquelim-Goa.
- 2. The said application was responded by Public Information Officer (PIO) on 24/04/2015.
- 3. Being not satisfied with reply, the appellant filed 1st appeal with First Appellate Authority (FAA), Director of Urban Development, Panaji-Goa on 27/04/2015 and the FAA by an order dated 20/05/2015 directed the Respondent No. 1 PIO to furnish complete information to the Appellant with regards to point No. 1 to 3 of the said application.
- 4. Since the order of the First Appellate Authority (FAA) was not complied by the Respondent PIO, the present appeal came to be filed under section 19(3) of the RTI Act that the prayer for

the direction as against Respondent No. 1, PIO for providing him the information as sought by him vide his application dated 30/03/2015.

- 5. In pursuant to the notices issued by this Commission appellant remained absent. Respondent No. 1 was represented by Advocate R. Porob who sought time to furnish complete information to the Appellant by post.
- 6. On 6/04/2017 Advocate R. Porob submitted that information which was sent by post to Vasudev Gawas have been returned unserved with endorsement "unclaimed returned to Sender" by postal authority. Accordingly she produced on record the attested copy of the envelop addressed to the appellant bearing the endorsement as "unclaimed returned to the sender" by the postal authorities. The Advocate for the Respondent No. 1 Ms. R. Porob submitted that they can still furnish the said information to the appellant if he visits the Office of PIO, Sakhali Muncipal Council, Sankhali-Goa.
- 7. It is seen from the records that also there is one more applicant namely Sandeep S. Naik who has filed joint RTI application under section 6(1) of RTI Act. Nothing has been placed on record by Advocate for the Respondent No. 1 showing that information is also submitted to the said Sandip Naik by post during the pendency of present appeal as such in the interest of justice.

8. I pass the following order :-

- a) The Respondent No. 1 PIO is hereby directed to furnish the information to the Appellant No. 2. Shri Sandeep S. Naik which was sought by them vide their application dated 30/03/2015 by Registered A. D. Within 15 days from the date of receipt of the order.
- b) Respondent No. 1 PIO hereby directed to furnish the required information to Shri Satish Gawas. If the Appellant Satish approaches their office for the collection of information.

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 against this order under the Right to Information Act 2005.

Pronounced in the open court.

Sd/-

(Ms. Pratima K. Vernekar)

State Information Commissioner Goa State Information Commission, Panaji-Goa

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