# GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION Seventh Floor, Kamat Towers, Patto, Panaji, Goa.

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#### Appeal No. 42/2018/SIC-I

Jawaharlal T. Shetye, H. No. 35/A, Ward No. 11, Near Sateri Temple, Khorlim-Mapusa-Goa.

.....Appellant

#### V/s.

- 1. The Public Information Officer (PIO), Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa Goa.
- 2.First Appellate authority, The Chief Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa Goa.

.....Respondents

### CORAM:

Smt. Pratima K. Vernekar, State Information Commissioner

## Filed on: 14/2/2018 Decided on: 27/3/2018

### <u>O R D E R</u>

- 1. The Facts in brief which arises in the present appeal are that the appellant Shri Jawaharlal T. Shetye by his application dated 7/8/2017 filed u/s 6 (1) of Right to Information Act, 2005, sought from Public Information Officer (PIO) of Office of Mapusa Municipal Council at Mapusa, Goa , certain information on 4 points as stated therein in the said application.
- It is contention of the Appellant that the said application was not responded by Respondent PIO as such he preferred first appeal before the Chief Officer of Mapusa Municipal Council at Mapusa, Bardez, Goa being First Appellate Authority (FAA).
- 3. The first appellate authority by an order dated 10/1/2018 disposed the said appeal by directing the Respondent PIO to issue the information to the appellant as sought by him by his application dated 7/8/2017 within 15 days from the issuance of the order, free of cost.

- 4. It is contention of the Appellant that the Respondent PIO did not comply the order of FAA neither furnished him the information, as such he was forced to approach this Commission by way of second appeal filed under section 19(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 on 14/2/2018. In the second appeal he had sought for the direction as against respondent PIO to furnish him correct and complete information before this commission, free of cost and for invoking penal provisions.
- 5. Notice was issued to both the parties. In pursuant to which appellant was present in person. Respondent PIO Shri Shivram Vaze was present alongwith APIO Vinay Agarwadekar.
- 6. Reply filed by PIO on 27/03/2018 alongwith the annexure. The copy of the reply was furnished to the appellant alongwith the annexure.
- 7. PIO submitted that information has been already furnished to the appellant by him by his covering letter dated 15/2/2018 and the information was collected by the appellant on 19/2/2018 and the endorsement have been made by the appellant to that effect on the covering letter.
- 8. The appellant submitted that he has received the information from the Respondent PIO and he is satisfied with the same and he has no further grievance in respect of information furnished to him. However it is his grievance that lots of valuable time have been wasted in pursuing the application and the information only came to be furnished to him after filing the present appeal. He further submitted that he does not intend to press the penal provisions and to dispose off the matter on humanitarian ground accordingly endorsed his say.
- 9. In view of the submissions of the appellant and endorsement made by him, I find no reasons to proceed with the appeal.

10. Appeal disposed accordingly. Proceeding 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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