## **GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION**

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

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#### Appeal No. 218/2017

Fr. Nonato Araujo, H.No. 245,Near Canara Bank, Fatorda, margao Goa.

Appellant.

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V/s

- 1.Public Information Officer (PIO) Village Panchayat Loutulim, Loutulim Goa.
- First Appellate Authority (FAA), Block development Officer, Margao Goa.
  Respondents.

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

#### Filed on : 12/12/2017 Decided on: 23/1/2018

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

- 1. The appellant Shri Father Nonato Araujo, has filed a present appeal on12/12/2017 praying that the Respondent No. 1 PIO be directed to furnish the information sought by him by his application, dated 1/8/2017.
- 2. The brief facts leading to present appeal are as under:-The appellant by application dated 1/8/2017 sought from the PIO, Village Panchayat of Loutulim, information at point NO. 1 to 6 as stated therein in the said application, in respect of demolition of the wall in Angaddi in Survey No. 182/1 and 183/2. The said information was sought was in excise of his right u/s 6(1) of The Right to Information Act, 2005.
- 3. It is the contention of the appellant that the said application was not responded by the respondent No. 1PIO within

stipulated time interms of section 7(1) of RTI Act, as such he preferred first appeal on 18/9/2017 before the Block Development Officer, at Margao being first appellate authority who is the Respondent No. 2 herein.

- 4. The respondent No.2after hearing both the parties, by an order date 23/10/2017 disposed the said appeal with a direction to respondent No. 1 PIO to furnish the complete available information to the appellant free of cost within 10 days from the receipt of the order.
- 5. According to the appellant despite of the order from the First appellate authority, Respondent PIO failed to provide him the information as such being aggrieved by the action of Respondents No.1 PIO the appellant has approach this commission by way of appeal filed u/s 19(3)of the RTI Act 2005.
  - Notices were issued to the parties. In pursuant to which the appellant was represented by his nephew Collin Araujo. Respondent No. 1 PIO Shri Yogesh Faterpekar appeared and respondent No. 2 was represented by Shri Harshad Naik.
  - Respondent NO. 2 first appellate authority filed his reply on 18/1/2018.
  - 8. In the course of the hearing the PIO Shri Yogesh Faterpekar furnished the said information alongwith the documents to the representative of appellant and the opportunity was granted to appellant to verify the same.
  - 9. Accordingly on subsequent date of hearing the appellant appeared and submitted that he had received the information to his satisfaction and as per his requirement and he is not pressing for penal provisions. Accordingly he endorsed his say on memo of appeal.

10. Since the information is now furnished to the appellant as per his requirement and since the appellant have gracious waived the prayer of penal action , I find no reason to proceed with the matter .

Appeal disposed accordingly. Proceedings stands closed

Notify the parties.

Pronounced in the open court.

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.

Proceeding stands close.

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