## **GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION**

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

### **CORAM:** Shri Juino De Souza: State Information Commissioner

Jawaharlal T. Shetye H.No. 35/A, Ward No. 11, Khorlim, Mapusa, Goa – 403 507

# Appeal No: 67/2018/SIC-II

v/s

- 1.0 Public Information Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa, Goa – 403507
- First Appellate Authority, Chief Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa, Goa - 403507.

..... Appellant

..... Respondents

#### **Relevant emerging dates:**

Date of Hearing : 12-03-2019 Date of Decision : 12-03-2019

#### ORDER

- Brief facts of the case are that the Appellant vide an RTI application dated 06/11/2017 sought certain information u/s 6(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 from the PIO, Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa – Goa by referring to an audit report on the accounts of Mapusa Municipal Council for the period 01/04/2015 to 31/03/2016 and reimbursement of payment towards the execution of work.
- 2. The Appellant is *inter alia* seeking information regarding Certified copies of a) letter No.PWD/JICA/P15-16/2014-15/1742 dated 12/03/2015. b) letter no.MMC/ENGG/6214/2015 dated 22/07/2015 and reminder letter no.MMC/ENGG/3716/2016 dated 29/04/2016. c) names and designations of officials taking the initiative to undertake the work of improvement. d) progress made in the recovery of balance amount of Rs. 57,74,800.62 from project director JICA II) Refer to item No.32 non Maintenance of registers of deduction and clarification submitted to audit. III) Refer to item No.31 works and furnish the compliance report. IV) Refer to item No.30 (i) Auction collection market fees (ii)pay parking fees(sopo).(iii)Collection towards jatra and feast fees. V) legal charges and other such information contained in the RTI Application. ...2

- 3. It is seen that the PIO as per 7(1) vide reply letter No. MMC/Engg/RTI/9073/2017 dated 05/12/2017 informed the Appellant that the information with reference to point No. I(a) to I(d) of the RTI Application is to be collected from the Office of PIO by making payment of Rs.16/- on any working hours. Not satisfied with the reply of PIO Appellant filed a First Appeal on 11/12/2017 and First Appellate Authority (FAA) vide order dated 10/01/2018 on proceeding sheet disposed off the matter by directing the PIO to furnish the remaining information to the Appellant within 20 days of this order free of cost.
- 4. **HEARING**: This matter has come up for hearing on several previous occasions and thus taken up for final disposal. During the hearing the Appellant is absent. Adv. M. D'Souza is present on behalf of the PIO.
- 5. **SUBMISSION**: Adv. M. D'Souza submits that the PIO has furnished information vide letter No. MMC/Engg/RTI/9073/2017 dated 05/12/2017 t with reference to point No. I(a) to I(d) and the same has been collected by the Appellant on 08/12/2017 after payment of Rs.16/-.
- 6. <u>FINDINGS</u>: The Commission after perusing the material on record and hearing Adv. M D'Souza finds that although the PIO has furnished some information, the PIO had also undertaken to furnish the remaining information to the Appellant before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) and which fact is recorded by the FAA in his order dated 10/01/2018.
- 7. <u>DECISION</u>: The PIO is hereby accordingly directed to comply with the Order of First Appellate Authority and furnish the remaining information if available in the records to the Appellant within 20 days of the receipt of this Order. In case the information is not available, the PIO should intimate the Appellant accordingly.

With these directions the Appeal case stands disposed. Pronounced before the parties who are present at the conclusion of the hearing. Notify the parties concerned. Authenticated copies of the order be given free of cost.

> Sd/-(Juino De Souza) State Information Commissioner