GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

Kamat Towers, seventh Floor, Patto, Panaji, Goa

Shri Prashant S. P. Tendolkar,

State Chief Information Commissioner

Appeal No.100/2018/CIC

Shri Amol S. Sawant, HNo.647 Walkeshwar Wada Betim Bardez-Goa.

...Appellant

V/s

- 1) First Appellate Authority, C/o Dy Collector & SDO Mapusa.
- Public Information Officer, C/o mamlatdar of Bardez, Mapusa Bardez Goa.

... Respondents

Disposed On: 06/03/2019

O R D E R

- a) This commission by order, dated 20/12/2016, and corrected later as "20/02/2018" directed PIO to furnished to the appellant the information at points (a) and (b) of this application dated 10/11/2017.
- b) By same order PIO Shri Laxmikant B. Kurtikar was directed as to why the copy of this order should not be sent to the Office of Chief Secretary and Personal Department alongwith recommendation for promoting his action in conformity with the act.
- c) On 17/01/2019 the PIO Shri Kurtikar filed his reply. By his said reply he submitted that he joined as Mamlatdar Bardez on 20/06/2018. By his said reply he further submitted that he has issued memorandum dated 20/12/2018 to circle inspector and UDC dealing with RTI matters. The PIO has also enclosed the copy of memorandum and the reply given by the concern staff.

By said order, dated 20/12/2018, this commission has rejected the reliefs of penalty on the ground that the application filed u/s 6(1) was vague. In view of the said findings the reliefs of penalty/compensation cannot be reagitated.

- d) Considering the above explanation, which I find probable and further considering the fact that this is the first lapse on the part of PIO before me, I refrain from reporting the matter to his higher authorities.
- e) However the PIO is hereby made aware that for any acts of his subordinates while dealing with proceeding under the act, the PIO shall be personally responsible. He is therefore directed to be vigilant and exercise care and caution while performing his function under The Right to Information Act 2005.

With the above observations and directions proceeding stands closed.

Notify the parties.

Sd/(Shri. P. S. P. Tendolkar)
Chief Information Commissioner

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