GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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

CORAM: Shri Juino De Souza: State Information Commissioner

Appeal No.22/SCIC/2012

Rabindra A.L. Dias, Dr. Pires Colony, Block "B' Cujira, St. Cruz, Tiswadi-Goa.

..... Appellant

v/s

- 1. Public Information Officer, Office of the Collectorate, South Goa District, Margao. Salcete, Goa.
- 2.First Appellate Authority, O/o Addl. Collector-I, Collectorate Bldg., Margao, Salcete, Goa.

...... Respondents

Relevant emerging dates:

Date of Hearing : 29-01-2019
Date of Decision : 29-01-2019

ORDER

- 1. **Brief facts of the case** are that the Appellant vide an RTI application dated on 28/06/2011 addressed to PIO, O/o Collector, South Goa District, Margao-Goa, sought information under Section 6(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 pertaining to case No. SDO/SAL/RTI/APPL/6/2011/38 with respect to 1. Roznama/Proceeding sheet. 2."NOTINGS" recorded in the 03rd 3."NOTICE" case dated January 2011 issued to Apellant/Respondent. 4."ORDER" pronounced in Court. 5. Replies of Respondent, 6. Letter of Engr. Rabindra A.L. Dias dated 20th January 2011. 7. Letter of Engr. Rabindra A.L. Dias dated 26th May 2011. 8. Any other correspondence pertaining to the matter in question.
- 2. It is the case of the Appellant that PIO has not furnished any information and as such Appellant filed a First Appeal dated 22/08/2011 and the First Appellate Authority (FAA) vide an order dated 17/10/2011 after hearing both the Appellant and Respondent PIO disposed off the matter by stating that file has been traced and copies be given to Appellant free of cost. ...2

- 3. Being aggrieved that despite the Order of the FAA, information has not been furnished, the Appellant filed a Second Appeal registered on 23/01/2012 and has prayed to take cognizance that Respondent No.1 PIO has refused abide under section 7 and failed to give information and for penalty, compensation and other such reliefs.
- 4. <u>HEARING</u>: This old matter has come up for hearing on numerous previous occasions and hence taken up for final disposal. During the hearing the Appellant Engr. Rabindra A.L. Dias is present in person. Respondent PIO and FAA is represented by Shri. Bhiku Dessai, Head Clerk, EST Section, Collectorate, South Goa, Margao-Goa.
- 5. **SUBMISSIONS:** At the outset the Appellant submits that he has not received the requisite information and as such the Commission may pass an Order directing the PIO to furnish the information.
- 6. **FINDINGS:** The Commission finds that FAA by an order dated 17/10/2011 had directed the PIO to furnish information in view that the said file has been traced and copies be given free of cost.
- 7. **DECISION:** The Commission accordingly directs the PIO to comply with the order of FAA and furnish the information pertaining to file case No.SDO/SAL /RTI/APPL/6/2011/38 which has been traced within 30 days of receipt of this order, free of cost to the appellant.

With these directions the appeal case is stands disposed.

8. The Appellant also requests for compensation. U/s 19(8)(b), the Commission has power to direct the Public authority to compensate for any loss or detriment suffered. However in the present case the appellant has not shown the actual amount of loss suffered by him and thus not able to justify his claim for compensation which stands rejected.

With these observations all proceedings in the appeal case are closed. Pronounced before the parties who are present at the conclusion of the hearing. Notify the parties concerned. Authenticated copies of order be given free of cost.

Sd/(Juino De Souza)
State Information Commissioner