

GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
Kamat Towers, seventh Floor, Patto, Panaji, Goa

Shri Prashant S. P. Tendolkar,
State Chief Information Commissioner

Complaint No.30/SCIC/2017

Shri Ramnath R. Naik,
R/o. H. No.773/19,
Opp. Bina Punjani Hair Studio,
Chogam Road, Alto –Porvorim,
Bardez –Goa. 403521.

..... Complainant

V/s

- 1) Public Information Officer,
O/o the Administrator,
Comunidades of North-Zone,
Mapusa, Bardez-Goa.
- 2) Shri RohanJ. Kaskar
Dy Director
Directorate of Trade Commerce and Industries,
Udhyog Bhavan,
Panaji-Goa.

.... Opponents.

Filed On: 27/09/2017

Disposed On: 09/09/2019

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- 1) The complainant has filed the above complaint with a contention that his application, dated 20/02/2017 filed u/s 6(1) of The Right to Information Act 2005 (Act) was not decided within time and that inspite of order by First Appellate Authority the information is not furnished.
- 2) The complainant filed a memo submitting that Shri Rohan Kaskar was the PIO at the relevant time and accordingly, being a complaint dealing with only prayer for penalty notice was issued to him.
- 3) Shri Rohan Kaskar, the then PIO, filed his reply submitting that he was holding additional charges and that during the period from January to March 2017 he was appointed as the returning officer for assembly constituency.

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- 4) The complainant was initially represented by Shri Vaikunth Parab Gaonkar, but from 19/11/2018 he remained absent. The complainant was offered an opportunity to file his say on the reply filed by PIO.
- 5) The PIO has given the grounds which had prevented him to decide the application u/s 6(1) within time. He has also expressed remorse. Considering the same I find that a lenient view can be taken in respect of the penalty.

In the above circumstances a lenient view is taken and the PIO is hereby warned that he shall deal with the applications under the act with adequate priority and with true spirit and intention under the act. Any lapse on his part if noticed by this commission shall be dealt with seriously.

With the above observations the above proceedings stands disposed.

Parties be notified

Proceedings closed.

Sd/-

(Prashant S. P. Tendolkar)
State Chief Information Commissioner
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