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**Appeal No. 43/2022/SCIC** 

Shri. Jawaharlal T. Shetye, H.No. 35/A, Ward No. 11, Khorlim-Mapusa-Goa 403507.

.....Appellant

V/S

1. The Public Information Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa-Goa 403507.

2. The First Appellate Authority, The Chief Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa-Goa 403507.

.....Respondents

Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 08/02/2022 Decided on: 09/11/2022

## <u>ORDER</u>

Matter called out.

Appellant, Shri. Jawaharlal T. Shetye present in person, the PIO, Shri. Santosh Umraskar present. Non present for FAA.

On perusal of record, it reveals that the Appellant has filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 15/12/2021, however then FAA failed and neglected to hear and dispose the first appeal within stipulated time.

In the reply filed by the incumbent FAA in this second appeal, he contended that he has recently joined as the Chief Officer of Mapusa Municipal Council and that he is unaware of the first appeal proceeding. He also submitted that matter may be remanded back to the FAA for conducting fresh hearings.

In view of above, the matter is remanded back to the FAA to hear the matter afresh by duly notifying the concerned parties and pass the appropriate order on merits, with the maximum period of 45 days. Parties to appear before the FAA at Mapusa-Goa.

- Proceedings closed.
- Pronounced in the open court.
- Notify the parties.

Sd/-

(Vishwas R. Satarkar)
State Chief Information Commissioner