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Appeal No. 53/2021/SCIC

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

.....Appellant

V/S

1. Public Information Officer/ME- II,
Vyankatesh Sawant,
Mapusa Municipal Council,
Mapusa-Goa. 403507.

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

.....Respondents

Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 10/03/2021

Decided on: 14/03/2022

ORDER

1. The Appellant, Shri. Jawaharlal T. Shetye, H. No. 35/A, Ward No. 11, Khorlim, Mapusa-Goa, by his application dated 28/10/2020, filed under sec 6(1) of Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter to be referred as 'Act') sought certain information from the Public Information Officer (PIO) of Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa, Goa.
2. Since the said application was not responded by the PIO within stipulated time, deeming the same as refusal, the Appellant preferred first appeal before the Chief Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council at Mapusa Goa being the First Appellate Authority (FAA).
3. The FAA by its order dated 28/01/2021 disposed the said appeal and directed the PIO to furnish the information to the Appellant free of cost within 30 days.
4. Since the PIO failed to comply the order of FAA, Appellant landed before the Commission with this second appeal under section 19(3) of the Act.

5. Notice was issued to the parties, pursuant to which the PIO, Mr. Vyankatesh Sawant appeared and filed his reply on 01/11/2021 and submitted that information with regards to point No. 1 and 2 was furnished to Appellant vide letter No. MMC/Admn/684/2021 dated 29/01/2021 by another PIO, Shri. Bhanudas Naik by way of Registered A.D. and that he is ready and willing to furnish rest of the information and that he has asked APIO to trace the information. Accordingly, the Commission directed the PIO to furnish the information on next date of hearing, specifically the information regarding the minutes of the Council Meeting dated 27/10/2020.
6. On next date on 02/12/2021, the PIO appeared and furnished bunch of documents to the Appellant and submitted that vide letter No. Engg/RTI/8170/2021 dated 01/12/2021 he has furnished the copy of minutes of Mapusa Municipal Council Meeting dated 27/10/2020 and all the available records. Appellant sought time to scrutinise the information provided by the PIO.
7. After receiving the information, the Appellant has remained absent on all subsequent hearing i.e on 24/01/2022, 08/03/2022 and on 14/03/2022.
8. The PIO also pointed out the acknowledgment of Appellant having received the information on 01/11/2021 and on 02/12/2021. I therefore presume and hold that, the Appellant is satisfied with the information provided by the PIO.
9. In view of above, since the available information has been furnished to the Appellant, the matter is disposed off.
 - Proceedings closed.
 - Pronounced in the open court.
 - Notify the parties.

Sd/-

(Vishwas R. Satarkar)

State Chief Information Commissioner