GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Shri. Sanjay N. Dhavalikar, State Information Commissioner

Appeal No. 221/2022/SIC

Shri. Suraj J. Behere, H.No. 41/GL/149/, Nr. Govt. High School, Head Land Sada, Mormugao-Goa.

-----Appellant

v/s

1. The State Public Information Officer, Shri. Premanand Kalshaokar, Office Superintendent, Directorate of Mines & Geology, Ground Floor, Institute of Menezes Braganza, Panaji-Goa.

The First Appellate Authority,
Abhir Hede /Dy. Director,
Directorate of Mines & Geology,
Ground Floor, Institute of Menezes Braganza,
Panaji-Goa.

-----Respondents

Relevant dates emerging from appeal:

RTI application filed on	: 04/03/2022
PIO replied on	: 05/04/2022
First appeal filed on	: 16/05/2022
First Appellate Authority order passed on	: Nil
Second appeal received on	: 05/08/2022
Decided on	: 14/11/2022

<u>ORDER</u>

- 1. Appellant vide application dated 04/03/2022 filed under Section 6 (1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as the 'Act') had sought certain information from Respondent No. 1, Public Information Officer (PIO). Being aggrieved by non furnishing of complete information, he filed appeal before Respondent No. 2, First Appellate Authority (FAA). It is the contention of the appellant that since the said appeal was not decided, he has approached the Commission by way of the second appeal.
- Notice was issued to the concerned parties and the matter was taken up for hearing. Appellant appeared in person. Shri. Premanand Kalshaokar, PIO appeared and filed reply alongwith enclosures, on 22/09/2022.
- 3. PIO stated that, he received the application of the appellant on 07/03/2022 and on 05/04/2022 issued a reply to the appellant

requesting him to pay Rs. 70/- and collect the information. Accordingly, appellant has received the information on 08/04/2022, hence the appeal may Be disposed.

- 4. It is seen that, as stated by PIO, he had issued a letter dated 05/04/2022 to the appellant requesting him to collect the information. It is noted from the enclosures submitted by the PIO that subsequent to his letter, appellant visited PIO's office, paid fees of Rs. 70/- vide receipt no. 005990, dated 08/04/2022 and collected the information. Also appellant has acknowledged with his signature in the records of the PIO, receipt of the information. During the hearing on 17/10/2022 appellant agreed that he had received the information from PIO and that he filed the appeal under the impression that the information received is not complete, however, now he acknowledges the receipt of complete information.
- 5. Thus, the Commission, in the background of the above mentioned facts, concludes that the information sought by the appellant vide application dated 04/03/2022 has been furnished by the PIO and there is nothing left in the present appeal to be decided. Hence, the present appeal is disposed accordingly and the proceeding stands closed.

Pronounced in the open court.

Notify the parties.

Authenticated copies of the order should be given to the parties free of cost.

Aggrieved party if any, may move against this order by way of a Writ Petition, as no further appeal is provided against this order under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

Sd/-

Sanjay N. Dhavalikar State Information Commissioner Goa State Information Commission Panaji - Goa