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Shri. Sanjay N. Dhavalikar, State Information Commissioner

Penalty No.24/2022

In

Appeal No. 70/2022/SIC

Umesh S. Mangeshkar,
H.No. 368, Dongrim,
Dhakte-Bhat, Mandur,
Tiswadi-Goa 403104.

-----Appellant

v/s

1. The Public Information Officer,
Office of the Mamlatdar Panaji,
Tiswadi-Goa 403001.

2. The First Appellate Authority,
The Mamlatdar of Panaji,
North-Goa 403001.

-----Respondents

Relevant dates emerging from penalty proceeding:

Order passed in Appeal No. 70/2022/SIC	: 22/07/2022
Show cause notice issued to PIO	: 28/07/2022
Beginning of penalty proceeding	: 25/08/2022
Decided on	: 19/09/2022

ORDER

1. The penalty proceeding has been initiated against Shri. Sanjeev Signapurkar, Respondent Public Information Officer (PIO), Office of the Mamlatdar of Panaji under Section 20 (1) and 20 (2) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as the 'Act') for contravention of Section 7 (1) of the Act.
2. During the hearing on 25/08/2022 Ms. Anusha Gaonkar, the present PIO furnished complete information to the appellant and Shri. Sanjeev Signapurkar, the then PIO requested for withdrawal of the showcause notice. Shri. Sanjeev Signapurkar stated in a written statement that he apologizes for delay in furnishing the information, though the delay is not deliberate or intentional.
3. During the hearing on 19/09/2022 appellant Shri. Umesh Mangeshkar appeared in person and stated that he is satisfied with the information furnished by PIO and that he requests the Commission to withdraw the penalty proceeding. Appellant has submitted this request with his signature in the penalty proceeding file.

4. Thus, the Commission observes that there is no further need to proceed in the present proceeding. Accordingly, showcause notice issued against Shri. Sanjeev Signapurkar, PIO stands withdrawn and the penalty proceeding is dropped.

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