

GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Appeal No. 131/2023/SCIC

Navin Shirodkar,
CS1, Mystical Rose Apartment,
Dicarpali- Davorlim,
Salcete-Goa 403707.

.....Appellant

V/S

1. The Public Information Officer,
Directorate of Accounts,
Panaji-Goa.

2. The First Appellate Authority,
Directorate of Accounts,
Panaji-Goa.

.....Respondents

Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 12/04/2023

Decided on: 14/09/2023

ORDER

1. The Appellant, Navin Shirodkar r/o. CS1, Mystical Rose Apartment, Dicarpali-Davorlim, Salcete-Goa by his application dated 23/01/2023 filed under Section 6(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter to be referred as 'Act') sought certain information from the Public Information Officer (PIO), Directorate of Accounts, Panaji-Goa.
2. The said application was responded by the PIO on 08/02/2023, thereby rejecting the information under Section 8(1)(j) of the Act.
3. Being aggrieved and not satisfied with the reply of the PIO, the Appellant filed first appeal before the Directorate of Accounts, Panaji-Goa, being the First Appellate Authority (FAA).
4. The FAA vide its order upheld the reply of the PIO and dismissed the first appeal on 14/03/2023.
5. Feeling aggrieved and dissatisfied with the order of the FAA dated 14/03/2023, the Appellant preferred this second appeal before the Commission under Section 19(3) of the Act, with the prayer to

direct the PIO to furnish the information free of cost and to impose penalty on the PIO for denying the information.

6. Notices were issued to the parties, pursuant to which, the Appellant appeared in person on 19/05/2023, then PIO Shri. Gajanan Naik appeared and submitted that he is no more designated as the PIO of the public authority, the representative of the FAA, Shweta Sardesai appeared on 19/05/2023 and sought time. Since the application filed under Section 6(1) of the Act is vague and unspecific, the Commission directed the Appellant to specify his request.
7. In the course of hearing on 16/06/2023, the Appellant appeared and submitted his specific request for inspection of the records related to the recruitment of Accountant Post viz. Educational qualification, Employment registration certificate, OBC certificate, birth certificate, application form and experience certificate of the selected candidates. The Respondents filed their joint reply and submitted that they are ready and willing to provide the inspection of the records/ information. Accordingly, the Commission with the consent of both the parties fixed joint inspection of records on 06/09/2023 between 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm in the office of the PIO at Panaji-Goa and the matter was fixed for compliance on 14/09/2023.
8. During the hearing on 14/09/2023, the Appellant appeared and submitted that as per the direction of the Commission, the inspection of the records has been provided to him by the PIO and that he restricted his claim in the following manner:-
(I) certified copy of the Applications and employment certificate of the following candidates:-
 - A. Sachin Jalmi
 - B. Diksha Karapurkar
 - C. Somesh Narvekar

- D. Sambhu Pilaonkar
- E. Mahesh Patil
- F. Riya Fernandes
- G. Akshay Patre
- H. Elisheba Pereira
- I. Chetan Navelkar
- J. Rashmi Vijay Asulkar

(II) Residence Certificate of Shreya Mulgaonkar

9. The PIO categorically submitted that he will provide the information to the Appellant within the period of 15 days. On the basis of submission made by the PIO, Shri. Chetan Dharangutti, the matter is disposed off with the direction to the PIO Shri. Chetan Dharangutti to provide the above information within the period of **15 days** of receipt of the order.

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

Sd/-

(Vishwas R. Satarkar)

State Chief Information Commissioner