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**Appeal No. 197/2021/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: 20/08/2021**

**Decided on: 20/10/2023**

**ORDER**

1. The Appellant, Shri. Jawaharlal T. Shetye r/o. H.No. 35/A, Ward No. 11, Khorlim-Mapusa, Goa by his application dated 15/04/2021 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), Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa-Goa.
2. Since the said application was not responded by the PIO within the stipulated time, deeming the same as refusal, the Appellant filed first appeal before the Chief Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council on 26/05/2021, being the First Appellate Authority (FAA).
3. Since the FAA failed and neglected to hear and dispose the first appeal within the stipulated time, the Appellant preferred this Second appeal before the Commission under Section 19(3) of the Act.
4. Notices were issued to the parties, pursuant to which, the Appellant appeared in person on 01/11/2021, the PIO, Rajendra

Bagkar appeared and submitted that he has furnished all the available information to the Appellant on 04/10/2022 and to substantiate his case he produced on record letter No. MMC/Admn/RTI/6462/2022 dated 04/10/2022 and acknowledgement of the Appellant. However, the Appellant submitted that he is not satisfied with the information and urged to inspect the entire records pertaining to interviews conducted by the public authority on 14/03/2018. Therefore, Commission directed the PIO to give inspection of the records and the matter was posted for compliance.

5. In the course of hearing on 28/09/2023, the other designated PIO Shri. Nilesh Lingudkar appeared and submitted that he has recently taken the charge as the PIO of Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa and he is ready and willing to give inspection of the file. The Commission directed the incumbent PIO to give the inspection of the file and matter was fixed for compliance on 17/10/2023.
6. However, none of the parties appeared for subsequent hearings on 17/10/2023 and 20/10/2023, hence, the Commission finds no reason to further prolong the proceeding as the records reveal that all the available information has been provided to the Appellant with his due acknowledgement dated 04/10/2022.
7. In the backdrop of above facts and circumstances, the appeal is disposed off.
  - Proceeding closed.
  - Pronounced in the open court.
  - Notify the parties.

Sd/-

**(Vishwas R. Satarkar)**

State Chief Information Commissioner