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**Appeal No. 255/2023/SCIC**

Adv. Mr. Joshua Gracias,  
G5, R.A. Apartments, Madel,  
Margao-Goa 403601.

.....Appellant

V/S

1. The Public Information Officer,  
O/o. the Mamlatdar of Salcete,  
Margao-Goa 403601.

2. The First Appellate Authority,  
O/o. the Dy. Collector-I,  
Margao-Goa 403601.

.....Respondents

**Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar**

State Chief Information Commissioner

**Filed on: 12/07/2023**

**Decided on: 01/11/2023**

**ORDER**

1. The Appellant, Adv. Joshua Gracias, r/o. G-5, A.R. Apartments, Madel, Margao-Goa vide his application dated 20/03/2023 filed under Section 6(1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter to be referred as 'Act') sought following information from the Public Information Officer (PIO), Office of Mamlatdar of Salcete, Margao-Goa:-

*1) Information as to- copy of all applications with supporting documents, communications, orders etc., existing under mutation no. 93961, in survey no. 109/4, Village Ambelim, Salcete-Goa.*

*2) Information as to-copy of all applications with supporting documents, communications, orders etc., existing under mutation no. 30443, in survey no. 111/20, Village Ambelim, Salcete-Goa.*

2. Since the said application was not responded by the PIO within the stipulated time, deeming the same as refusal, the Appellant preferred first appeal before the Deputy Collector and Sub Divisional Officer, Salcete Goa on 18/05/2023, being the First Appellate Authority (FAA).
3. The FAA vide its order dated 07/06/2023, allowed the first appeal and directed the PIO to provide the information to the Appellant free of cost, within 10 days from the date of the order.
4. Since the PIO failed and neglected to comply with the order of the FAA dated 07/06/2023, the Appellant landed before the Commission by this second appeal under Section 19(3) of the Act, with the prayer to direct the PIO to furnish the information and other reliefs.
5. Notices were issued to the parties, pursuant to which, the Appellant appeared in person on 28/08/2023, the PIO, Shri. Laxmikant Desai appeared on 28/08/2023 and submitted that search is going on to locate the information and prayed for time to file his reply/ information, representative of the FAA, Shri. Sameer Naik appeared and placed on record the reply of the FAA dated 25/08/2023.
6. During the course of hearing on 29/09/2023, the representative of the PIO, Shri. Rohan Peas appeared and placed on record the reply of the PIO and furnished bunch of documents to the Appellant and submitted that he has furnished the information to the Appellant with regards to point No. 2 of the application and sought time to furnish the rest of the information. Therefore, the matter was posted for further compliance on 01/11/2023.
7. In the course of hearing today i.e. on 01/11/2023, the representative of the PIO, Shri. Vishwas Satardekar appeared and

furnished the bunch of documents to the Appellant and submitted that, he has furnished the information to the Appellant with regards to point No. 1 of the RTI application. Adv. J. Gracias scrutinised the documents provided by the PIO and submitted that he received the purported information and submitted that he is satisfied with the information provided by the PIO and that he does not wish to proceed further with the matter.

8. The Appellant also endorsed on the appeal memo that "being satisfied with the information provided, I do not wish to pursue the present appeal." In view of above endorsement made by the Appellant, the matter is disposed off.

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

Sd/-

**(Vishwas R. Satarkar)**

State Chief Information Commissioner