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Appeal No. 299/2022/SCIC

Mr. Jawaharlal T. Shetye, H.No. 35/A, Ward No. 11, Khorlim, Mapusa-Goa, 403507.

.....Appellant

V/S

1. The Public Information Officer, Mr. Santish Humraskar (A.C.A.O), Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa-Bardez-Goa, 403507.

2. The First Appellate Authority, The Chief Officer (Mr. Amitesh Shirvoikar), Mapusa Municipal Council, Mapusa-Bardez-Goa, 403507.

.....Respondents

Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 05/12/2022 Decided on: 02/05/2023

<u>ORDER</u>

- The Appellant, Shri. Jawaharlal T. Shetye, r/o. H. No. 35/A, Ward No. 11, Khorlim, Mapusa-Goa vide his application dated 07/09/2022 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. The said application was not responded by the PIO within stipulated period, deeming the same as refusal, the Appellant filed first appeal before the Chief Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council on 13/10/2022 being the First Appellate Authority (FAA).
- 3. The FAA vide its order dated 03/11/2022 allowed the first appeal and directed the PIO to furnish the information to the Appellant free of cost within the period of 15 days.

- Since the PIO failed and neglected to comply with the order of the FAA dated 03/11/2022, the Appellant landed before the Commission by this second appeal under Section 19(3) of the Act.
- 5. Notices were issued to the parties, pursuant to which the Appellant appeared in person on 19/01/2023, the incumbent PIO, Shri. Rajendra Bagkar appeared alongwith then PIO, Santosh Humraskar and furnished bunch of documents to the Appellant. Since the information provided by the PIO was voluminous in nature, the Appellant sought time to scrutinise the documents and matter was posted for compliance/ clarification on 02/05/2023.
- 6. During the course of hearing on 02/05/2023, the PIO Rajendra Bagkar appeared and submitted that, available information has been furnished to the Appellant on 28/02/2023 and no further information is available with the public authority.
- 7. The Appellant confirmed that he has received the information and submitted that he is satisfied with the information provided by the PIO and that he does not wish to proceed with the matter.

On the basis of the oral submission of the Appellant, the matter is disposed off.

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

Sd/-

(Vishwas R. Satarkar) State Chief Information Commissioner