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Appeal No. 319/2022/SCIC

Shri. Dhananjay Shambhu Dessai,
R/o. Darvatem, Fatorpa,
Quepem Goa,
Cuncolim, Salcete-Goa 403703.

.....Appellant

V/S

1. The Public Information Officer,
Secretary, Village Panchayat Fatorpa-Quitol,
Fatorpa, Quepem-Goa,
Cuncolim, Salcete-Goa 403703.

2. The First Appellate Authority (FAA),
Block Development Officer,
Quepem-Goa, 403705.

.....Respondents

Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 13/12/2022

Decided on: 03/04/2023

ORDER

1. The Appellant, Shri. Dhananjay Shambhu Dessai r/o. Darvatem, Fatorpa, Quepem-Goa his application dated 23/08/2022 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), Village Panchayat Fatorpa-Quitol, Fatorpa, Quepem-Goa.
2. The said application was not responded by the PIO within stipulated time, deeming the same as refusal, the Appellant preferred first appeal before the Block Development Officer, Quepem-Goa being the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 03/10/2022.
3. The FAA vide its order dated 21/10/2022 allowed the first appeal and directed the PIO to furnish the information, free of cost to the Appellant within a period of seven days.

4. Since the PIO failed to comply the order of the FAA dated 21/10/2022, the Appellant landed before this Commission with this second appeal under Section 19(3) of the Act.
5. Notices of this second appeal was served upon the parties. In spite of valid service of notice, non-appeared for the Appellant. The PIO Shri. Sandesh Velip appeared on 25/01/2023 and submitted that he has furnished all the available information to the Appellant. The Commission directed the PIO to file the formal reply to the appeal and opportunity granted to the Appellant.
6. During the course of hearing on 01/03/2023, the PIO Shri. Sandesh Velip appeared and filed reply alongwith bunch of documents and matter was posted for arguments on 03/04/2023.
7. In the course of hearing on 03/04/2023, the PIO appeared and submitted that he complied the order of the FAA dated 21/10/2022 and initially vide letter No. VP/FQ/RTI/2022-23/600 dated 25/10/2022 furnished the available information to the Appellant and by additional letter No. VP/FQ/RTI/2022-23/ dated 28/02/2023 furnished all the remaining information to the Appellant. He also produced on record letter dated 25/10/2022 and 28/02/2023 to substantiate his case.
8. Since the Appellant did not participate in the appeal proceeding despite ample opportunities and in view of the endorsement made by the Appellant on the letter dated 25/10/2022, I presume and hold that the Appellant is satisfied with the information provided by the PIO. Accordingly the matter is disposed off.
 - Proceeding closed.
 - Pronounced in the open court.
 - Notify the parties.

Sd/-

(Vishwas R. Satarkar)

State Chief Information Commissioner