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### Appeal No. 57/2023/SCIC

Prashant M. Vast, H.No. 187, Kalavati Niwas, Behind Union Bank of India, Vasco Da Gama, Goa 403802.

.....Appellant

V/S

1. The Public Information Officer (PIO), Mormugao Municipal Council, Vasco Da Gama, Goa 403802

2. The First Appellate Authority(FAA), Mormugao Municipal Council, Vasco Da Gama, Goa 403802.

.....Respondents

#### Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

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## FACTS IN BRIEF

- The Appellant, Shri. Prashant M. Vast r/o. H.No. 187, Kalavati Niwas, Behind Union Bank of India, Vasco Da Gama, Goa vide his application dated 22/08/2022 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), Mormugao Municipal Council, Vasco Da Gama, 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, Mormugao Muncicipal Council, Vasco Da Gama, Goa being the First Appellate Authority (FAA).
- 3. According to the Appellant, the FAA took up the matter on 04/11/2022 in his chamber, discussed the matter with the PIO and directed the PIO to furnish the information to the Appellant within a period of 10 days.

- 4. Since the PIO failed and neglected to comply the order of the FAA, the Appellant landed before the Commission by this second appeal under Section 19(3) of the Act.
- 5. The notices of the second appeal were served upon the parties, pursuant to which Appellant, Shri. Prashant Vast appeared in person, the PIO Shri. Agostinho Mesquita appeared on 17/03/2023 and submitted that he has furnished all the available information to the Appellant except, information at point No. 6. However, the Appellant has disputed the above fact.
- 6. In order to resolve the issue, the Commission directed the PIO to file pointwise reply to the Appellant on next date of hearing and matter was posted for compliance on 24/04/2023.
- 7. In the course of hearing on 24/04/2023, the PIO, Shri. Agostinho Mesquita appeared and submitted that the available information has been furnished to the Appellant, except, the information at point No. 6. The PIO further submitted that, the issue regarding parking of Daffodils Hospital is sub-judice and pending for adjudication before the Chief Officer, Mormugoa Municipal Council and therefore, no information is exists and available at the moment. The Appellant admitted that he received the information and that he does not want to proceed with the matter.
- 8. Since the available information has been furnished by the PIO to the Appellant and in view of the satisfaction 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