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Appeal No. 65/2023/SCIC

Shri. Sanjay Mhalsekar,
R/o. H.No. 206, Opp. Mahima Vihar,
Post Dabolim Airport,
Alto Dabolim-Goa 403801.

.....Appellant

V/S

The State Public Information Officer (PIO),
Office of Village Panchayat Chicalim,
Chicalim-Goa 403711.

.....Respondent

Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 15/02/2023

Decided on: 01/06/2023

ORDER

1. The Appellant, Shri. Sanjay Mhalsekar r/o. H.No. 206, Opp. Mahima Vihar, Post Dabolim Airport, Alto Dabolim, Goa vide his application dated 06/12/2022 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 Chicalim, Mormugao-Goa.
2. Since the said application was not responded by the PIO within stipulated time, deeming the same as refusal, the Appellant filed first appeal before the Block Development Officer, Mormugao, Vasco-Da-Gama, Goa on 12/01/2023, being the First Appellate Authority (FAA).
3. The FAA vide its order dated 01/02/2023 allowed the first appeal and directed the PIO to furnish the information free of cost to the Appellant, within 7 days.
4. Since the PIO failed and neglected to comply with the order of the FAA dated 01/02/2023, the Appellant preferred this second appeal under Section 19(3) of the Act before the Commission.

5. Notices were issued to the parties, pursuant to which the Appellant appeared in person on 03/04/2023, representative of the PIO, Adv. Narayan Pai appeared on 03/04/2023 and filed his vakalatanama and submitted that he is ready and willing to furnish the information to the Appellant. Accordingly, Commission directed Adv. N. Pai to furnish the information on next date of hearing and the matter was posted for compliance on 11/05/2023.
6. During the course of hearing on 11/05/2023, Adv. N. Pai appeared on behalf of the PIO and furnished the purported information to the representative of the Appellant, Shri. Pratap Mardolkar. Since the information furnished to the Appellant was bulky, the Appellant sought time to scrutinise the information, therefore, the matter was adjourned and was fixed for clarification/ order on 01/06/2023.
7. In the course of hearing on 01/06/2023, the Appellant, Shri. Sanjay Mhalsekar appeared and submitted that he is satisfied with the information provided by Adv. N. Pai and that he does not want to proceed with the matter. He also made endorsement on the appeal memo that "information received".
8. In view of the endorsement made by 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