

GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

'Kamat Towers', Seventh Floor, Patto, Panaji –Goa

Tel No. 0832-2437908/2437208 email: spio-gsic.goa@nic.in website:www.gsic.goa.gov.in

Appeal No. 79/2023/SCIC

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

.....Appellant

V/S

1. The Public Information Officer,
Rajendra Bagkar (Head Clerk),
Mapusa Municipal Council,
Mapusa-Goa 403507.

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

.....Respondents

Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 03/03/2023

Decided on: 20/10/2023

ORDER

1. The Appellant, Shri. Jawaharlal T. Shetye r/o. H.No. 35/A, Ward No. 11, Khorlim-Mapusa, Goa by his application dated 25/11/2022 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. Since the said application was not responded by the PIO within the stipulated time, deeming the same as refusal, the Appellant filed first appeal before the Chief Officer, Mapusa Municipal Council on 03/01/2023, being the First Appellate Authority (FAA).
3. The FAA vide its order dated 08/02/2023 allowed the first appeal and directed the PIO to furnish the information free of cost within 7 days to the Appellant.
4. Since the PIO failed and neglected to comply with the order of the FAA dated 08/02/2023, 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 12/06/2023, the PIO, Rajendra Bagkar appeared and filed his reply and placed on record the bunch of documents on 08/08/2023 with additional copies to the otherside and submitted that he has produced all the available information to the Appellant. Since none appeared on behalf of the Appellant on 08/08/2023, the opportunity was granted to the Appellant and matter was posted for argument/ order on 08/09/2023.
6. However, none of the parties appeared for the subsequent hearings viz. 08/09/2023, 17/10/2023 and 20/10/2023, hence, the Commission finds no reason to further prolong the proceeding and hence, disposes the appeal with the direction to the Appellant, to collect the information from the office of the Commission within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of the order.
- Proceeding closed.
 - Pronounced in the open court.
 - Notify the parties.

Sd/-

(Vishwas R. Satarkar)

State Chief Information Commissioner