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Penalty 07/2021 in Appeal No. 177/2020

Shri. Nazario Savio D'Souza, 550/A/S-2, Cortez Apartments, Ubo Dando, Santa Cruz, Tiswadi-Goa 403005.

.....Appellant

V/S

The Secretary,
The Public Information Officer,
Village Panchayat of Calangute,
Calangute, Bardez-Goa 403515.

.....Respondent

Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar

State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 20/09/2021 Decided on: 08/05/2023

ORDER

- 1. While disposing the appeal bearing No. 177/2020, the Commission vide its order dated 05/08/2021 directed the Public Information Officer (PIO), the Secretary of Village Panchayat Calangute, Bardez-Goa to provide the information to the Appellant free of cost within fifteen days from the date of receipt of the order.
- 2. The Commission also issued show cause notice to the said PIO, as to why penalty should not be imposed on him in terms of Section 20(1) and/ or recommend to initiate disciplinary action against him in terms of Section 20(2) of the Act.
- 3. Pursuant to the notice, the representative of the PIO, Adv. Kapil Kerkar appeared on 08/11/2021 and filed his reply.
- 4. In order to resolve the issue amicably, the Commission directed the PIO to give inspection of the concerned file to the Appellant on 02/05/2022 between 10.30 am to 11.30 am in the office of the PIO at Village Panchayat Calangute, Bardez-Goa.

- 5. During the course of hearing on 31/01/2023, Adv. Swati Verlekar appeared on behalf of the incumbent PIO and submitted that, she requires some time to comply the order of the FAA and accordingly, the matter was posted for compliance on 08/05/2023.
- 6. In the course of hearing on 08/05/2023, Adv. S. Verlekar appeared and furnished the bunch of documents to the Appellant and submitted that she has provided all the information to the Appellant.
- 7. Upon the scrutinization of the documents provided by the Advocate for the PIO, the Appellant submitted that he is satisfied with the information provided by the PIO and submitted that he does not wish to proceed further with the matter. He also made endorsement on show cause notice that, "I don't want to proceed with the matter".
- 8. In the light of endorsement made by the Appellant, the show cause notice dated 09/08/2021, issued in the present proceeding against the then PIO is dropped.
 - Proceedings closed.
 - Pronounced in the open court.
 - Notify the parties.

Sd/-

(Vishwas R. Satarkar)

State Chief Information Commissioner