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**Penalty 45/2022  
in  
Appeal No. 167/2022/SCIC**

Mr. Kenneth David Fernandes,  
E.L. Valley, Block-"A", Flat F-2,  
Behind Holy Family School,  
Socorro, Bardez-Goa 403501.

.....Appellant

V/S

The Secretary/ A.P.I.O.,  
Village Panchayat of Calangute,  
Calangute, Bardez-Goa 403516.

.....Respondent

**Shri. Vishwas R. Satarkar**

State Chief Information Commissioner

**Filed on: 21/12/2022**

**Decided on: 13/04/2023**

**FACTS IN BRIEF**

1. While disposing the appeal bearing No. 167/2022/SCIC, the Commission vide its order dated 11/11/2022 directed the Public Information Officer (PIO), Shri. Arjun Velip, Secretary of Village Panchayat Calangute, Bardez-Goa to provide complete information to the Appellant free of cost as per his RTI application dated 17/03/2022 within a period of 15 days.
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 proceeding against him in terms of Section 20(2) of the Act.
3. Pursuant to the notice, Adv. Swati Verlekar appeared on behalf of the PIO on 21/12/2022 and submitted that she is ready and willing to furnish the information to the Appellant and sought time and matter was fixed for compliance.
4. During the course of hearing on 13/04/2023, Adv. S. Verlekar appeared and submitted that, she has furnished all the available information to the Appellant and that the Appellant is satisfied with

the information. The Appellant also confirmed that he received the purported information from the office of the PIO and that he is satisfied with the information provided by the PIO. He further submitted that he is not interested to proceed with the matter and also stated that, he is not pressing for penalty against the PIO.

5. In the light of above facts and circumstances, the show cause notice dated 01/12/2022 issued in the present penalty proceeding against the PIO is dropped.

- Proceedings closed.
- Pronounced in the open court.
- Notify the parties.

Sd/-

**(Vishwas R. Satarkar)**

State Chief Information Commissioner