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**Shri. Atmaram R. Barve** State Information Commissioner

**Appeal No. 66/2024/SIC**

Shri. Devidas G. Panjekar,  
R/o. Podwal, Khorjuem,  
Aldona, Bardez-Goa ..... **Appellant**

**V/s**

The Public Information Officer (PIO),  
Secretary, Village Panchayat of Pomburpa,  
Olaulim,  
Bardez-Goa. .... **Respondent**

**Filed on: 05/03/2024**  
**Decided on: 16/12/2024**

**ORDER**

1. Appellant vide his application dated 06/12/2023 has sought information from the Public Information Officer (PIO), Village Panchayat Pomburpha in Bardez Taluka.
2. There appears to be a clear case of non application of mind by the PIO in allowing such a simple matter to be escalated till the stage of second appeal.
3. In the current hearing the PIO admitted that the official work hours of the said Village

Panchayat are between 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m. and that his timings are visibly displayed on the notice board of the said Village Panchayat.

4. The Appellant is satisfied with the reply and doesnot wish to contest the matter any further; and as such the appeal stands disposed.
5. The Director, Directorate of Panchayats, Govt. of Goa to ensure that all the PIO's in their ambit are sensitized and oriented in the right manner so as to avoid escalation of matters pertaining to such simple grounds.
6. No order as to cost.
7. Copies to be served to the parties as well as Director, Directorate of Panchayat, Govt. of Goa.

Pronounced in the open court.

Notify the parties.

Authenticated copies of the Order should be given to the parties free of cost.

Aggrieved party if any, may move against this order by way of a Writ Petition as no further Appeal is provided against this order under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

Sd/-

**(Atmaram R. Barve)**  
State Information Commissioner