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Complaint No. 48/2023/SCIC

Deepak Gracias,
R/o. Karishma Apartments,
Behind Punjab National Bank,
Aquem, Margao,
Goa 403601

....Complainant

V/s

1. The Public Information Officer (PIO),
Department of Commercial Taxes,
Margao Ward, Margao, Goa, 403601
2. The First Appellate Authority,
Deputy Commissioner of State Tax (Legal),
Rajya Kar Bhavan, 2nd floor,
Altinho, Panaji, Goa

.....Opponents

Shri. Vishwas Satarkar, State Chief Information Commissioner

Filed on: 11/12/2023

Decided on: 02/02/2024

ORDER

1. While disposing the appeal bearing No. 147/2023/SCIC, the Commission, vide its order dated 27/10/2023, directed Shri. Kalpesh Amonkar, PIO, Office of the Commissioner of State Tax, Margao-Goa to provide the information to the Complainant free of cost within fifteen days from the date of receipt of the order.
2. According to the Complainant, despite the order of the Commission, the PIO failed and neglected to provide correct

information and being so, he landed before the Commission by this Complaint proceeding under Section 18 of the Act, with the prayer to direct the PIO to provide correct information and to impose penalty on the PIO for non providing the information.

3. Notices were issued to the parties, pursuant to which, the Complainant appeared in person on 02/02/2024, the PIO Shri. Kalpesh Amonkar appeared and filed his reply alongwith the bunch of documents and submitted that he has fully complied with the directives outlined in the order and furnished all the available documents to the Complainant on 01/12/2023. In support of his claim, he produced on record a copy of a letter dated 01/12/2023 along with an endorsement of the complainant dated 01/12/2023. It is evident from the records that the that complainant received the following documents under protest.

- (1) Compliance Letter dated 01/12/2023.
- (2) Visit Report dated 06/02/2023.
- (3) Verification Report.
- (4) Copy of noting/proceeding sheet.
- (5) Water supply bill.
- (6) Electricity bill.

4. The PIO, Shri. Kalpesh Amonkar emphasises that upon receipt of the Complaint from Deepak Gracioas regarding illegal activities on his property at house No. 68, Ward No. 13, Malbhat, Opp. Navtara Hotel, Margao Goa, the State Tax Inspector, Shri. Pranav S. Bhagat visited the site and verified the documents provided by Shri. Charan Chari (Ganpat Chari) and concluded that, said Charan Chari is not liable for

registration under section 22 of GST Act, 2017 as his turnover for last three years does not cross the threshold limit specified in section 22.

5. In this background, I heard the Complainant. The complainant submitted that he is satisfied now with the information provided by the PIO and that he does not wish to proceed further in the matter. The Complainant also made endorsement in the complaint proceeding that "further proceeding not require this Complaint be disposed."
6. Based on the above submission of the Complainant, the matter is disposed off.
 - Proceeding closed.
 - Pronounced in the open court.
 - Notify the parties.

Sd/-

(Vishwas R. Satarkar)
State Chief Information Commissioner