

GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Appeal No. 39/2024/SCIC

Shri Raghu Gomes,
R/o. GPA/6-3, 'A', Type
Alto Porvorim Goa.

..... Appellant

v/s

1. The Public Information Officer,
Sub Divisional Police Officer,
Panaji – Goa.

2. The First Appellate Authority,
Superintendent of Police,
North Goa, Panaji Goa.

..... Respondents

Shri Aravind Kumar H. Nair - State Chief Information Commissioner

FACTS EMERGING FROM THE APPEAL

RTI application filed on	- 20-11-2023
PIO replied on	- 27-11-2023
First Appeal filed on	- 05-12-2023
First Appellate order on	- 18-01-2024
Second appeal received on	- 05-02-2024
Decision of the Second Appeal on	- 07-01-2025

Information Sought and Background of the Appeal

- Mr. Raghu Gomes filed an RTI application dated 20/11/2023 seeking what action taken by the Dy. Superintendent of Police, Panaji on his complaint dated 17/10/2023 submitted to the Dy. S.P, Panaji.
- The PIO vide his letter dated 27/11/2023 informed the RTI applicant that the complaint dated 17/10/2023 filed by him is under inquiry.

3. Dissatisfied with the reply of the PI, RTI applicant filed his first appeal dated 05/12/2023 before the First Appellate Authority (S.P. North) praying for:
 - (i) *Direct the Respondent to compensate the appellant for the loss, damage and detriment caused due to non furnishing of information sought vide RTI application dated 20/11/2023*
 - (ii) *Impose fine against the PIO.*
4. After hearing, the First Appellate Authority, directed the PIO to provide the copy of inquiry report into the complaint dated 17-10-2023 of the appellant within 10 days of the order, free of cost.

Subsequently the FAA's order was forwarded to the Old Goa Police station for compliance and accordingly, Police Inspector, Old Goa Police station & APIO provided the copy of enquiry report to the appellant vide No. SDPO/PAV/RTI/102/2024 dated 09-02-2024.
5. The appellant Raghu Gomes then approached the Commission with second appeal dated 05/02/2024 praying to direct the Respondents to provide information sought by the Appellant and also to compensate the appellant by the Respondents for not providing information sought vide application dated 17-10-2023.

FACTS EMERGING IN COURSE OF HEARING

6. During the course of hearing, Respondent PIO (Shri Sudesh R. Naik), SDPO, Panaji) submitted a copy of detailed enquiry report submitted by the Police Inspector, Old Goa Police Station and forwarded the same to the Appellant by the PIO vide letter dated 15/05/2024.
7. On 08/10/2024, the PIO further submitted that in response to the RTI application dated 20/11/2023, he replied on 27/11/2023 informing the applicant that the complaint dated 17/10/2023 filed by the Appellant is presently under enquiry and subsequently on

completion of the inquiry into the said complaint, a copy of the enquiry report sought by the appellant was provided vide letter No. SDPO/Pan/RTI/107/2023 dated 09/02/2024. According to the PIO, all factual information on record has been provided to the appellant.

DECISION

- 8. Since the PIO has furnished information (Inquiry Report in Appellant's complaint dated 17/10/2023) to the appellant in accordance to his RTI application dated 20/11/2023, nothing pending on the part of the PIO warranting any order or directions by the Commission to the PIO in the matter. Hence the appeal stands disposed today 07/01/2025.**
- 9. It is relevant to mention here that not a single hearing by the Commission in this matter was attended by the Appellant. On two occasions, the notice served on the Appellant, by the Commission at the given address in his second appeal returned with the postal remark "Addressee Left".**
10. 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.
- Proceedings stands closed.
 - Pronounced in the open court.
 - Notify the parties.

Sd/-

(ARAVIND KUMAR H. NAIR)
State Chief Information Commissioner, GSIC