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# Appeal No.147/2025/SCIC

Sairaj Kantilal Pauskar, H.No.3, Damade Waddo, Tivim, Bardez North Goa 403526. V/s

---Appellant

1.The Public Information Officer, Sports Authority of Goa, Bambolim-Goa.

2.The First Appellate Authority, Sports Authority of Goa, Bambolim-Goa.

3.Hemant Nagwenkar, Secretary, Goa Amateur Boxing Association, Flat No. A/4//S1, Prudential Paradise, Peddem, Mapusa, Goa-403507.

----Respondents

#### Shri. ARAVIND KUMAR H. NAIR - State Chief Information Commissioner, GSIC

## **Relevant facts Emerging from the Appeal**

RTI application filed on	08/10/2024
PIO replied on	NIL
First Appeal filed on	07/11/2024
First Appellate order on	24/03/2025
Second appeal received on	30/06/2025
First hearing	20/08/2025
Decided on	07/10/2025

## Information sought and background of the Appeal

1. Shri Sairaj Kantilal Pauskar filed an application dated 08/10/2024 under RTI Act, 2005 to the PIO, Sports Authority of Goa (SAG) seeking 04 point information with regard to the details including Domicile/Residence certificate of all Boxers who represented Goa for the 37<sup>th</sup> National Games, 2023 and NOCs issued by the Boxing Federation of India to the non-Goan Boxers who represented Goa for 37<sup>th</sup> National Games, 2023.

- 2. Failing to receive any reply/information from the PIO to his RTI application within the stipulated time frame of 30 days, Appellant filed first appeal dated 07/11/2024 before the First Appellate Authority praying for direction to the Respondent PIO to furnish the information sought vide RTI application dated 08/10/2024.
- 3. The FAA (Director/Admn, SAG) disposed the first appeal on 24/03/2025 stating that the Respondent No.3 Secretary, Goa Amateur Boxing Association (Shri. Hemant Nagvenker) during the hearing (24/03/2025) requested time of 15 days to furnish information to the Appellant from 24/03/2025.
- 4. Subsequently Appellant filed Second appeal dated 30/06/2025 praying for direction to the Respondent No.1 (PIO/SAG) to furnish complete information sought vide RTI application dated 08/10/2024 and impose penalty on Respondent No.1 and 2 for not providing information.

#### **FACTS EMERGING IN COURSE OF HEARING**

5. Pursuant to the filing of the present appeal by the Appellant, parties were notified fixing the matter for hearing on 20/08/2025 for which Appellant and Respondent No.1 (PIO/SAG) present. Adv. Tanmai T. Gawas present for Respondent No.3. Respondent No.1 filed written submission dated 20/08/2025 stating that office of the Respondent No.1 forwarded the RTI application dated 08/10/2024 to the Programme Section which deals with Association like Goa Amateur Boxing Association(GABA). Subsequently Assistant Director (Programme) marked the said RTI application to the Goa Amateur Boxing Association. On 24/03/2025, the FAA disposed the first appeal filed by the Appellant directing the Goa Amateur Boxing Association to submit the required information within 15 days to the Appellant.

- 6. Respondent No. 1 further submitted that the information sought by the Appellant is not in the possession of SAG but available with Goa Amateur Boxing Association. Matter adjourned to 15/09/2025.
- 7. When the matter took up for hearing on 15/09/2025, Appellant and Respondent No.1 present. Adv. Tanmai Gawas present for Respondent No.3. Presiding Commissioner directed the lawyer of Respondent No.3 that Respondent. 3 should personally present for the next hearing (07/10/2025) with submission to the appeal memo.
- 8. Matter called for final hearing on 07/10/2025 for which Appellant, Respondent No.1 and 3 appeared in person. Complying with the direction of the Presiding Commissioner, Respondent No.3 filed written submission containing information sought by the Appellant. Perusal of the submission/reply submitted by the Respondent No.3 revealed that appropriate information is provided to the Point No.1 to 3 of the RTI application but information sought at Point No.4 of the RTI application is denied u/s. 8(1) (j) of the RTI Act, 2005 and cited the Hon'ble Supreme Court's decision in *Girish Ramachandra Deshpande V/s CIC* (2013) in support of the denial of information in respect of Point No.4.

### **DECISION**

- i. After going through the submission filed by the Respondent No.3 and the arguments placed by the Appellant and Respondents, Commission disposed the present appeal with the <u>direction to the Respondent No.3</u> to furnish copy of Residence certificate or Domicile certificates (in respect of Point No.4) of 13 boxers (07 Male and 06 Female) who had represented State of Goa in the 37th National Games, 2023 to the Appellant, free of cost, within 15 days from the passing of this order.
- ii. Since the Appellant insisted the Respondent No.3 to file the information (as directed above) before the Commission, Respondent No.3 is directed to file the information (in

respect of Point No.4 of the RTI) before the Commission within 15 days from today i.e. 07/10/2025, date of order, and the Appellant is directed to collect the same from the Registry thereafter.

- Proceeding stands closed.
- Pronounced in open Court.
- Notify the parties.

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/-

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