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Appeal No. 189/2025/SCIC

Mr. Brutano Peixoto,
R/o H. No. 56/2, Cavorim,
Covatem, Chandor, Salcete,
South Goa 403714.
V/s

-----Appellant

1.The Public Information Officer,
Dy. Superintendent of Police (Sports),
GRP Camp, Altinho,
Panaji- Goa 403001.
2.First Appellate Authority,
Superintendent of Police (Sports),
GRP Camp, Altinho,
Panaji-Goa 403001.

-----Respondents

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

Relevant Facts Emerging from the Appeal

RTI application filed on	08/04/2025
PIO replied on	28/04/2025
First Appeal filed on	06/06/2025
First Appellate order on	03/07/2025
Second appeal received on	19/08/2025
First Hearing	06/10/2025
Decided on	19/11/2025

Information sought and background of the Appeal

1. Shri. Brutano Peixoto filed an application dated 08/04/2025 under RTI Act, 2005 to the PIO, Sports Cell Goa Police seeking following information :
 - i. *"Certified information of the names and residential address of all Non-Amateur football players taken up on contract by the Goa Police for the month of January, 2025 as per available records.*
 - ii. *Certified copies of the contracts executed between Goa Police Sports Cell and the players mentioned at Serial No.1.*
 - iii. *Certified details of Budgetary Head for Sports Cell of Goa Police.*

- iv. *Certified copies of note sheets seeking approval of Department Head/Competent Authority for obtaining sanction towards executing non-amateur football players on contract basis.*
 - v. *Total amount of salary paid to the each contracted player for the period of January 2025 to March 2025 as mentioned at Serial No.1”.*
2. In response to the RTI application, PIO (Dy. S.P/Sports Cell) vide letter dated 28/04/2025 replied to the Appellant denying information to Point No.1 & 2 of the RTI application u/s. 8(1) (j) of the RTI Act, 2005 and stating '*information is not available in the office*' to Point No. 3, 4 and 5 of the RTI application.
 3. Being aggrieved by the reply received from the PIO to his RTI application, Appellant filed first appeal dated 06/06/2025 before the First Appellate Authority praying that the Respondent PIO be directed to furnish the information sought vide RTI application dated 08/04/2025.
 4. First Appellate Authority (S.P/Sports) vide order dated 03/07/2025 dismissed the first appeal.
 5. Subsequently Appellant preferred second appeal dated 19/08/2025 praying to quash and set aside the order passed by the First Appellate Authority, direct the Respondent PIO to furnish information to his application dated 08/04/2025 and to initiate penal as well disciplinary action against the Respondent PIO.

FACTS EMERGING IN THE COURSE OF HEARING

6. Pursuant to the filing of the present appeal, parties were notified fixing the matter for hearing on 06/10/2025 for which Appellant and Respondent PIO present. Presiding Commissioner directed the Respondent PIO to file proper reply to the RTI application of the Appellant on the next date of hearing and adjourned the matter to 06/11/2025.

7. Matter took up for hearing on 06/11/2025 for which Appellant absent but Respondent PIO present. Respondent PIO filed reply to the RTI application. However, Presiding Commissioner directed the Respondent PIO to file proper and complete information to the RTI application on the next date of hearing fixed on 19/11/2025.
8. When matter called out for further hearing on 19/11/2025, Appellant remained absent but Respondent PIO present. Complying with the oral direction of the Presiding Commissioner on 06/11/2025, Respondent PIO filed proper revised reply furnishing information to all the 05 RTI queries of the Appellant.

Information filed before the Commission by the Respondent PIO vide letter dated 19/11/2025 contains -

- i. Name and address of 04 Non-Amateur football players taken on contract by the Goa Police in January 2025.
- ii. Certified copies of the contract signed between the Goa Police and above mentioned 04 football players.
- iii. Certified copies of Note Sheet/Approval to sign contract with players.
- iv. Details of amount paid to the above mentioned 04 contract players for the month of November 2024, January and February 2025.

DECISION

Since the Respondent PIO has complied with the direction of the Presiding Commissioner by filing complete information, supported by documents to the RTI application of the Appellant dated 08/04/2025 before the Commission on 19/11/2025, no more intervention by the Commission is warranted in the present appeal. Hence, the Commission decided to dispose the matter with the following direction to the Appellant -

- i. Collect the information supported by documents from the office of the Respondent PIO within seven days from the receipt of this order.*

Respondent PIO should communicate the Commission about the receipt of the information by the Appellant.

- 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