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Appeal No.239/2025/SCIC

Suman Vasudev Narvekar,
H. No. E-8/80, Nig Waddo,
Saligao, Bardez-Goa 404511. -----Appellant

V/s

1.The Public Information Officer,
The Principal Mapusa,
Government ITI,
Mapusa, Bardez-Goa 403507.

2.The First Appellate Authority,
Director of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship,
Panaji-Goa. ------Respondents

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

Relevant Facts Emerging from the Appeal

RTI application filed on	13/05/2025
PIO replied on	22/05/2025
First Appeal filed on	09/07/2025
First Appellate order on	12/08/2025
Second appeal received on	**12/09/2025**
First Hearing held on	28/10/2025
Decided on	**26/11/2025**

Information sought and background of the Appeal

1. Suman Vasudev Narvekar filed an application dated 13/05/2025 under RTI Act, 2025 to the Principal, Government Industrial Institute, Mapusa seeking following information :

"Certified copy of all relevant documents produced before this office by Shri. Ramesh V. Narvekar during his retirement as CIM/MV Instructor and also the details of property and vehicle purchased during his service".

2. In response to the RTI application, PIO (Principal, Mapusa Government Industrial Training Institute) vide letter dated 22/05/2025 replied as under:

" After careful consideration of your request, it is to inform you that the information sought pertains to personal details of a third party and is exempted from disclosure under Section 8(1) (j) of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The said provision restricts the sharing of personal information which is not related to any public activity or interest or which would cause unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual concerned".

3. Being aggrieved by the reply received from the PIO, Appellant filed first appeal dated 09/07/2025 before the First Appellate Authority praying for necessary directions to the Respondent PIO to furnish information sought vide RTI application dated 13/05/2025.

4. FAA (Director of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship) vide order dated 12/08/2025 dismissed the first appeal on the ground that the *"information sought by the Appellant pertains to third party and is exempted u/s. 8(1) (j) of RTI Act, 2005 and hence cannot be provided".*

5. Subsequently, Appellant preferred Second appeal dated 12/09/2025 before the Commission stating that she sought certain information (documents) produced by her unmarried brother Shri. Ramesh Vasudev Narvekar before the Government I.T.I, Mapusa during his retirement. Appellant prayed for direction to the Respondent PIO to furnish sought information free of cost, permit the Appellant to allow inspection of records/files and impose penalty on Respondent PIO for not providing information.

FACTS EMERGING IN COURSE OF HEARING

6. Pursuant to the filing of the present appeal by the Appellant, parties were notified fixing the matter for hearing on 28/10/2025 for which Respondent PIO present. Appellant appeared alongwith Adv. Asmita Chodankar. Both the parties placed oral submission before the Presiding Commissioner, who directed the Respondent PIO to file proper as well as point-wise reply to the RTI application along with supporting documents on the next date of hearing, 17/11/2025.

7. When matter took up for further hearing on 17/11/2025, Respondent PIO present and Appellant present along with Adv. Asmita Chodankar. Since the Presiding Commissioner was not satisfied with the reply/information filed by the Respondent PIO, directed the Respondent PIO to file proper submission in accordance to the RTI application on the next date of hearing slated for 26/11/2025.

8. Matter took up for final hearing on 26/11/2025 for which Respondent PIO present and Adv. Asmita Chodankar appeared for Appellant. Respondent PIO filed written submission dated 26/11/2025 stating that :

a. As per nomination for Death-cum-Retirement Gratuity of Shri. Ramesh V. Narvekar, he has nominated his wife Lalan Narvekar, nephews Rajesh Azgaonkar and Prathamesh Narvekar to receive gratuity in the ratio of 50%, 25% and 25% respectively.

b. Since late Ramesh Narvekar was alive at the time of his retirement, entire gratuity amount was issued to him.

c. Directorate of Accounts issued Certificate to Mapusa Government ITI stating that Gratuity amount has been authorised for payment through STO.

d. As per the system prevailing in 2016, Directorate of Accounts further passed on the document mentioning gratuity amount to State Treasury Officer (STO).

Apart from this written submission Respondent PIO produced few documents which are in possession of the office of the PIO and received from the Village Panchayat, Saligao.

9. After hearing arguments of both the parties to the appeal, Commission directed the Respondent PIO to furnish copies of the following documents to the Appellant :

i. Letter from Lalan Narvekar to Principal of I.T.I dated 20/03/2025.

ii. Letter from Lalan Narvekar to Sarpanch/Secretary Village Panchayat Saligao dated 26/05/2025.

iii. Certificate issued by Aashirvad Mangal Karyalay, Sawantwadi dated 25/09/1989 (Notarised copy).

iv. Declaration from Ramesh V. Narvekar dated 20/03/2024.

v. Joint photography of Pension Book.

vi. Form of nomination.

vii. Form 3.

viii. Letter from Government I.T.I to Village Panchayat Saligao dated 08/07/2025.

ix. Letter dated 01/07/2025 from Village Panchayat Saligao to Government I.T.I, Mapusa.

x. Death Certificate of Ramesh V. Narvekar.

DECISION

The Respondent PIO has complied with the direction of the Presiding Commission by duly furnishing the above said information (documents) which is received and acknowledged by Appellant's lawyer Adv. Asmita Chodankar before the Commission on 26/11/2025.

With the Respondent PIO furnishing the desired information to the Appellant after the intervention by the Commission, nothing more lies in the present appeal and hence appeal disposed.

- **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