

**GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
AT PANAJI**

CORAM: Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

Complaint No. 201/SIC/2010

Mr. Ajay E. Vellingiri,
H. No. 61/GL/38,
Behind Old MPT Hospital,
Vasco-da-Gama

... Complainant.

V/s.

Public Information Officer,
Mormugao Municipal Council,
Vasco-da-Gama,
GOA

... Opponent.

Complainant in person.

Opponent in person.

Dated: 01.06.2010

ORDER

The Complainant sought the information under RTI Act by request dated 04.01.2010 and requires information which consist of certified copies of documents mentioned at Sr. No. 1 to 5 pertaining to the house of Basappa S. Chalwadi. As the information at Sr. No. 3 was not provided, the Complainant preferred First Appeal and by Order dated 25.02.2010 the First Appellate Authority directed the Opponent to provide the information within fifteen days. As the Order of the First Appellate Authority was not complied, the present Complaint with the prayers to provide the information free of cost, impose fine on the Opponent and costs.

2. The Complainant produced letter dated 11.03.2010 and stated that the information at Sr. No. 3 was provided after filing the Second Appeal. On perusing this letter, it answers to the information sought at Sr. No. 3 of the request dated 04.01.2010 and the Complainant is satisfied with the information provided. However, the question of

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delay remains to be adjudicated. In fact, the Order of the First Appellate Authority was issued on 25.02.2010 with the directions to the Opponent to provide information within fifteen days from the date of the Order, i.e. 19.02.2010. Considering that fifteen days period from 19.02.2010 completes on 6th March, 2010 and the information was provided on 11.03.2010 which was received by the Complainant on 18.03.2010, there is a delay of twelve days which the Opponent is required to explain. Accordingly, a show cause notice is required to be issued to the then Public Information Officer, Shri S. V. Naik, to file the reply on the imposition of penalty on 18.06.2010.

Sd/-
(Afonso Araujo)
State Information Commissioner

