

**GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
AT PANAJI**

CORAM: Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

Appeal No. 150/SIC/2009

Smt. Theresa D. Vaghela,
Navagauri Apartment, 2nd Floor,
Opp. ICICI ATM, Alto Porvorim,
Bardez – Goa

... Appellant.

V/s.

1) The Public Information Officer,
Joint Director of Accounts,
Directorate of Accounts,
Panaji – Goa

... Respondent No. 1.

2) The First Appellate Authority,
Director of Accounts,
Directorate of Accounts,
Panaji – Goa

... Respondent No. 2.

Appellant alongwith her authorized representative.
Shri N. Dias for Respondent No. 1.

J U D G M E N T

(Per Afonso Araujo)

The Appellant in the request dated 19.10.2009 pertaining to the Orders of Goa State Information Commission imposing penalties on the concerned Public Information Offices of Government Departments, sought the following information under RTI Act:

- 1) Date of communication received from the Goa State Information Commission.
- 2) Order date.
- 3) Case number
- 4) Name of the PIO on whom penalty is imposed.
- 5) The amount of penalty imposed.
- 6) Date of amount recovered.
- 7) The Ledger Folio no. where this amount is credited.

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2. The Opponent by communication dated 29.10.2009 informed the Appellant that the information sought are not held with the Public Authority, Directorate of Accounts and directed the Respondent No. 1 to seek information from Goa State Information Commission. Aggrieved by this decision, the Appellant preferred the First Appeal. Though there is no order of the First Appellate Authority on record, but in the letter dated 20.11.2009 of the Respondent No. 1 a reference is made to the Order of the First Appellate Authority dated 20.11.2009 and the information sought was provided to the Appellant in compliance to the said Order. Not content with the information provided the Appellant preferred this Appeal.

3. The contention of the Appellant is that at the hearing fixed on 20.11.2009 before the First Appellate Authority, the Respondent No. 1 provided part of the information and thereafter the Respondent No. 1 provided statements of the years 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-2010 which were taken from the records of the office of Goa State Information Commission.

4. The information sought by the Appellant in the request dated 19.10.2009 pertains to the Orders passed by this Commission for the last three years where penalties were imposed on the Public Information Officers of various Departments. The details of the required information enumerated at Sr. No. 1 to 7 of the same request has been partly provided in the annexure to the letter dated 20.11.2009 as well as in statements of the years 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-2010. On perusing this information provided, it meets the requirements at Sr. No. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 but in respect of information at Sr. No. 6 – date of amount recovered

and at Sr. No. 7 - the ledger folio No. where the amount is credited, the information provided is incomplete and as such the Respondent No. 1 is required to provide this information from the own records of the Public Authority. Hence, the following Order:

ORDER

The Appeal is partly allowed.

The Respondent No. 1 to provide information at Sr. No. 6 and 7 of the request dated 19.10.2009 in the same form as was provided in the annexure to the letter of the Respondent No. 1 dated 20.11.2009.

The information to be provided within the period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of this Order and report compliance.

Pronounced on this 28th day of June, 2010.

Sd/-
(Afonso Araujo)
State Information Commissioner