

**GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION
AT PANAJI**

CORAM: Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

Complaint No. 289/SIC/2010

Shri Kashinath Shetye,
R/o. Bambino Building,
Alto Fondvem, Ribandar,
Tiswadi – Goa

... Complainant.

V/s.

Public Information Officer,
Sanguem Municipal Council.
Sanguem – Goa

... Opponent.

Kum. S. Satardekar, representative of the Complainant.
Opponent in person.

Dated: 01.07.2010

ORDER

The Complainant by request dated 10.02.2010 sought information under RTI Act from the Public Information Officer, Directorate of Municipal Administration, Panaji pertaining to the buildings having mobile towers and enumerated at Sr. No. 1 to 12. By letter dated 11.02.2010 the Public Information Officer of Directorate of Municipal Administration transferred the request of the Complainant to the Public Information Officer of Sanguem Municipal Council. The Opponent Shri Pawar submitted that he was appointed Chief Officer recently and did not provide the information as he was waiting for the Complainant to approach the office to obtain the information.

2. It appears that the Opponent as Public Information Officer is not conversant with the provisions of section 7(1) of the RTI Act which requires the Public Information Officer to decide the request of the information seeker within the period of thirty days either by providing the information on payment of prescribed fees or reject it being exempted under section 8 and 9 of the RTI Act. In such circumstances the Opponent is directed to decide the request of the Complainant dated 10.02.2010 within the period of ten days and report compliance on 16.07.2010.

**Sd/-
(Afonso Araujo)
State Information Commissioner**