GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

CORAM: Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

Complaint No. 399/SIC/2010

Dr. M. N. Pal, Ex-Dean (GMC), 11, GOMECO Housing Society, <u>Bambolim – Goa</u>

...Complainant.

V/s.

Shri Arun Desai, Public Information Officer, Additional Director, Directorate of Vigilance, Government of Goa, Serra Building, Altinho, <u>Panaji - Goa</u>

...Opponent.

Complainant in person. Opponent in person.

Dated: 14.07.2010

<u>O R D E R</u>

The Complainant sought information under RTI Act by request dated 17.02.2010 and requires:

- The documents relied upon by the then Director of Vigilance on which he had asserted in Memorandum No. 14-9/78-2001-VIG(Vol.I)/228 dated 01.02.2001 issued by him that Dr. M. N. Pal was requested to appear before the Goa Medical Board for examination by Government letter dated 19.10.2000 but he has not complied with.
- 2. Documents relied upon, on whose strength, it was informed by the then Director of Vigilance in his Memorandum No.14-9/78-2001-VIG(Vol.I)/228 dated 01.02.2001 that Dr. M. N. Pal was directed once again to appear before the Goa Medical Board vide Government letter No. 7-5-74-PER(Vol.II) dated 22.11.2000, which he has not done.

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The Opponent by communication dated 19.03.2010 informed the Complainant that the documents asked were 10 years old and tracing of the file was in progress and that no sooner the file had been traced out the information would be furnished to the Complainant.

2. The contention of the Opponent is that the files were located and called upon the Complainant to inspect the files and ask the required documents.

3. The Opponent could not provide the information sought in the request dated 17.02.2010 as the relevant files could not be traced and informed the Complainant that as soon as the files are found, the information sought would be provided to the Complainant. Since the files are found the Opponent is in a position to entertain the application dated 17.02.2010 of Complainant. Hence, the Opponent is directed:

(1) to decide the request of Complainant dated 17.02.2010 in accordance to the provisions of RTI Act;

(2) inform the Complainant about the decision;

(3) report compliance on 09.08.2010.

Sd/-(Afonso Araujo) State Information Commissioner