

**GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION  
AT PANAJI**

**CORAM:** Shri M. S. Keny, State Chief Information Commissioner

**Complaint No. 416/SCIC/2010**

Mr. Domnic D'souza,  
H. No. 315/4, Tropa Vaddo,  
Sodiem,  
Siolim – Goa

..... Complainant.

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
Mamlatdar of Bardez,  
Mapusa - Goa.

..... Opponent/Respondent.

Smt. Joana Mascarenhas, representative of the Complainant.  
Opponent in person.

**ORDER**  
**(16-08-2010)**

1. The Complainant, Shri Domnic D'souza, had filed the present Complaint praying for appropriate fine towards the hardship, pain, agony and torture; physical as well as mental as well as monetary loss caused to the Appellant and for penalty u/s. 20 of the Act.
2. That the Complainant vide application dated 06.01.2010 sought certain information under Right to Information Act, 2005 ('RTI Act' for short) from the Opponent. However, the same was not furnished within the stipulated time of thirty days. That since information was not furnished the Complainant preferred First Appeal. It appears that the information was furnished on 12.04.2010.
3. It is the case of the Opponent that information sought has already been furnished by letter dated 12.04.2010.
4. I have heard both sides and perused the records. It is seen that information was sought by application dated 06.01.2010. The same was furnished on 12.04.2010. Apparently there is delay in furnishing information as contended by the

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Complainant. Complainant has no grievance about information. However, since there is delay Public Information Officer should be given an opportunity to explain the same.

5. In view of the above no further intervention in the Complaint is required. However, since there is delay Public Information Officer/Opponent is to be heard on the same.

Issue notice under section 20(1) of the RTI Act to the Opponent/Public Information Officer why penalty action should not be taken against him for causing delay for furnishing information. The explanation, if any, should reach the Commission on or before 20.09.2010 at 10:30a.m. Public Information Officer/Opponent shall appear for hearing.

Further enquiry posted on 20.09.2010 at 10:30a.m.

Complaint, in so far as information is concerned, is disposed off.

Pronounced in the Commission on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2010.

Sd/-  
(M.S. Keny)  
State Chief Information Commissioner