

**GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION  
AT PANAJI**

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

**Appeal No.187/SCIC/2010**

Mr. Paul D'Souza, Nr. Spring, Cunchelim, Mapusa-Goa. V/s	...	Appellant
1) Ms. Julia Gurjao e Colaco, Public Information Officer, Dte. Of Sports & Youth Affairs, Campal –Goa.	...	Respondent No.1
2) Shri Pandurang C. Naik, First Appellate Authority, Dte. Of Sports & Youth Affairs, Campal –Goa.	...	Respondent No.2

Appellant in person.

Respondent No. 1 in person.

Respondent No. 2 absent.

**JUDGMENT**  
**(06/09/2010)**

1. The Appellant, Paul D'Souza, has filed the present appeal praying that action be taken against the Public Information Officer, that penalty be imposed on Public Information Officer as well as First Appellate Authority and to direct the Public Information officer to furnish the information free of costs.

2. The brief facts leading to the present appeal are as under:-

That the Appellant, vide his application dated 14/05/2010 sought certain information from the Respondent No. 1 under Right to Information Act 2005 ('RTI' Act for short). That the information was not furnished within the stipulated period of 30 days. That the Appellant approached concerned office but the same was not ready. However he received a letter dated 17/06/2010 seeking permission to grant 30 more days as the information was voluminous in nature. Even then the same was not furnished. Hence the Appellant preferred appeal before first Appellate Authority. However the appeal was not decided within the statutory period. Being aggrieved the Appellant has preferred the present appeal.

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3. The Respondents were served. Today during hearing Respondent No. 1 appeared. She did not file any reply as such.

4. Heard the Appellant and perused the records.

It is seen that information was sought by the Appellant vide letter dated 14/05/2010. No information was furnished I have perused letter dated 17/06/2010 addressed to appellant seeking one month's time to furnish the information. Appeal was filed but the same was not decided.

During the course of his arguments Appellant submits that he has received full information and that too free of cost. He states that he is satisfied with the same and that he has no grievance.

5. It is seen that there is some delay. Public Information Officer to bear in mind that Right to Information Act is a time bound programme and time schedule is to be maintained. Since in the instant case information was voluminous the delay is condoned as appellant also has no objection for the same.

6. Regarding First Appeal, it appears, the same is not disposed off. First Appellate Authority has to dispose the Appeal within 30 days as prescribed by Right to Information Act. Hope First Appellate Authority will bear in mind the same in future.

7. Since information is furnished no further intervention of this Commission is required. Hence, I pass the following order:-

**O R D E R**

No intervention of this Commission is required.

The Appeal is disposed off.

The Appeal is accordingly disposed off.

Pronounced in commission on this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2010.

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



