GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

CORAM: Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

Complaint No. 157/SIC/2010

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

..... Complainant.

V/s.

The Assistant Public Information Officer, Dy. Superintendent of Police (Traffic), North, <u>Panaji - Goa.</u>

..... Opponent/Respondent.

Complainant in person. Opponent in person.

Dated: 29.07.2010

<u>ORDER</u>

The Complainant by request dated 14.01.2010 sought information under Right to Information Act, 2005 (for short 'the Act') from the Public Information Officer, Department of Information Technology, Panaji enumerated at Sr. No. 1 to Sr. No. 7 and pertaining to the Circular No. 3/5/2009-ARD dated 09.06.2009 of the Chief Secretary, Government of Goa.

2. The Public Information Officer by letter dated 25.01.2010 transferred the information at Sr. No. 3 namely, certified copy of the File Movement Register in the Department and other Government Departments, to the Public Information Officer, Office of the Director General of Police, Panaji. Upon the receipt of this letter, the latter transferred the same on 05.02.2010 to the Opponent.

3. By communication dated 16.02.2010 which was received by the Complainant on 22.02.2010, the Opponent informed the Complainant to collect the information on payment of fees of Rs. 2/- and on 23.02.2010

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a Complaint was preferred with the prayers for furnishing information free of cost, penalties on the Opponent and compensation to the Complainant.

4. It appears that the Complainant did not give effect to the communication of the Opponent to collect the information on payment of necessary fees of Rs. 2/-. In such circumstances the proper course for the Complainant is to approach the Opponent, make the payment of necessary fees and collect the information. After all, the Opponent promptly provided the information sought and there is no question of providing the information free of cost.

With the above observations this Complaint is accordingly disposed off.

Sd/-(Afonso Araujo) State Information Commissioner