## GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

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

## Complaint No. 442/SCIC/2010

Mr. Victor D'souza, H. No. 477, Bonta Vaddo, Assagao, <u>Bardez - Goa</u>

..... Complainant.

V/s.

1) Village Panchayat Secretary & Public Information Officer, V.P. Assagao, Assagao, <u>Bardez – Goa</u>

..... Opponent.

Complainant in person. Opponent in person.

## <u>ORDER</u> (19-10-2010)

1. The Complainant, Victor D'souza has filed the present Complaint praying that Opponent/Public Information Officer be directed to immediately furnish the said information and that Public Information Officer be penalized to pay a sum of Rs.250/- per day w.e.f. 18.03.2010 till he submits the said information.

2. The gist of the Complainant's case is as under:

That the Complainant vide his application dated 18.03.2010 sought certain information from the Village Panchayat Secretary/Public Information Officer/Opponent ('PIO' for short) under RTI Act, 2005 ('RTI Act', for short).

That the said Opponent has deliberately not given the required information within the time limit specified in the Act.

3. The Opponent resists the Complaint and his reply is on record. It is the case of the Opponent that PIO was engaged for the duty of National Population Register Census as per the order of Mamlatdar and, therefore, the PIO was unable to furnish the required information/documents within time limit to the Complainant. That it is not correct that Opponent has deliberately not given the information within time.

That the information has been furnished.

4. Heard the parties. During the course of arguments Opponent submits that he has furnished the full information. Complainant on his part admits that he has received full information and he has no grievance of any sort.

5. Coming to the aspect of delay, there is some delay. However, it is seen that Opponent was engaged for duty of National Population Register Census. The same appears to be bonafide. Besides, the Complainant/his representative admit about the same and, therefore, the delay is to be condoled.

6. Since information is furnished no intervention of this Commission is required. Hence, I pass the following Order:

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

No intervention of this Commission is required. The Complaint is disposed off.

Complaint is accordingly disposed off.

Pronounced in the Commission on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

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