GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

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

Complaint No. 114/SCIC/2011

Shri Joseph Mascarenhas, 618, Murida, Cuncolim, <u>Salcete - Goa</u>

... Complainant.

V/s.

Public Information Officer, Cuncolim Municipal Council, Cuncolim, Salcete – Goa

... Opponent

Complainant in person. Opponent in person.

<u>ORDER</u> (26.04.2012)

1. The Complainant, Shri Joseph Mascarenhas, has filed the present Complaint praying to impose penalty on the Public Information Officer; to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the Public Information Officer and to direct the Public Information Officer to file an F.I.R. with the Cuncolim Police Station against the concerned officials if the file is not traced.

2. It is the case of the Complainant, that, vide letter dated 03.03.2011 he sought certain information under the Right to Information Act, 2005 ('R.T.I. Act' for short) from the Public Information Officer ('P.I.O.')/Opponent. That no information was provided within 30 days and hence the Complainant preferred appeal before First Appellate Authority i.e. Director of Municipal Administration. That by order dated 27.05.2011 the First Appellate Authority directed the Opponent to furnish the information within ten days without charging the fees. On receiving the order of the First Appellate Authority, the Complainant visited the office of the P.I.O on two occasions and he was told that file is not traceable. Feeling that there was malafide intention on the part of the P.I.O. in providing the information the Complainant has filed the present Complaint.

3. In pursuance of the notice the Opponent appeared. He did not file any reply as such. However, he advanced arguments.

4. Heard both sides and perused the records. During the course of arguments the Complainant as well as the Opponent states that the information is furnished. Complainant states that he has received the information. He is satisfied with the same and he has no grievance of any sort. He also states that Complaint can be disposed.

It is seen that there is some delay in furnishing the information. According to the P.I.O. records were not traceable. However the same have been searched and information is furnished. In any case since the Complainant has no grievance there is no point in proceeding further.

5. In view of all the above I pass the following Order:-

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

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

The Complaint is accordingly disposed off.

Pronounced in the Commission on this 26th day of April, 2012.

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