GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

CORAM: Dr. Pradeep R. Padwal, State Information Commissioner

Complaint No.102/SIC/2012

Ms. Sushma Pawar, Children's Right in Goa (RG) Angod, Mapusa, Bardez - Goa

... Complainant

V/s.

The Public Information Officer, Department of Women & Child Development, 1st Floor, Shanta Building, St. Inez, Panaji – Goa ... Opponent

Complainant present. Opponent present.

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

(04/09/2012)

1. The Complainant Ms.Sushma Pawar, filed a complaint under No.102/SIC/2012 dated 20/6/2012, U/s.18(1) of R.T.I. Act against the opponent/P.I.O./Department of Women and Child Development, Shanta Building, St. Inez, Panaji-Goa.

2. Ms. Sushma Pawar had applied under the Right to Information Act (R.T.I.) for certain information on 3/5/2012 regarding whether any inquiry was initiated by the Government in 2012 to probe into the frequent escapes from Apna Ghar, Goa- the Government Run Children's Home alongwith other details.

3. The reply was furnished on 18/5/2012 by P.I.O. which was alleged to be incomplete information by the Complainant. Accordingly in the complaint to the Commissioner, prayer was made to admit the complaint and direct P.I.O. to provide complete

information and take penal action for delay and withholding information with malafide intention.

4. Simultaneously an appeal with First Appellate Authority/ Director of Women and Child Development was entertained by Mr. Sunil Masurkar, First Appellate Authority wherein the appellant informed that the information sought was received. However regarding issue of imposing penalty and other reliefs, the appellant/complainant was advised to approach State Information Commission. The order was passed on 6/8/2012.

5. On 4/9/2012, during the final arguments, both complainant as well as opponent are present. The complainant argued that the information sought from P.I.O. is furnished to her satisfaction. No second appeal to State Information Commission U/s.19 is intended. Further, being satisfied with the written explanation from the opponent alleying the doubts regarding malafide intention, complainant also withdrew the appeal for penalty. The issue is amicably settled.

No further intervention from State Information Commission.

The complaint is accordingly disposed off.

Pronounced in the Commission on this 4th day of September, 2012.

Sd/-(Dr. PRADEEP R. PADWAL) State Information Commissioner