GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISISON

"Shrama Shakti Bhavan", Ground Floor, Patto Plaza, Panaji – Goa.

CORAM: Smt. Leena Mehendale, State Chief Information Commissioner

Appeal 62/SIC/2013

Decided on: 04/03/2014

Engr. Rabindra A. L. Dias, Dr. Pires Colony, Block "B", Cujira, St. Cruz, Tiswadi – Goa.

V/s

1) Public Information Officer (PIO), Office of the Supdt. of Surveys and Land Records,

Panaji – Goa.

2) First Appellate Authority (FAA),

Office of the Director of Settlement and Land Records,

Panaji – Goa.

ORDER (Open Court)

This Appeal is filed on 24/05/2013. Appellant and the First Respondent PIO gave some background of this case.

The Appellant had asked the information in respect of Land Records form No II, form no. III, and form I & XIV (together). The PIO is the custodian for form no II and he had supplied information in respect of all Survey Numbers of village Sernabatim as listed in the RTI Application, as per the direction of FAA, free of

cost.

The PIO in his reply dated 07/02/14, had also asked the Appellant to

approach the Mamlatdar of Salcete Taluka for form no I & XIV (together) and

further to approach PIO, Records of Rights Margao in respect of form no III.

The Appellant objects to this as a violation of Sec/6 (3) which directs the

PIO to himself transfer the RTI Application to the concerned PIO.

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To cut the matter short and despite argument the about applicability or otherwise of the circular of Govt of Goa no. DI/Inf/RTI/Disclosure/20yrs/08/2152 dated 15/07/2008, the PIO now agrees to forward the original RTI Application to both the PIO's asking them to supply the said information free of cost since lot of time has already expired from the date of First Application i.e. 11/01/2013.

The Appeal is therefore disposed. The PIO is directed to transfer the first RTI application to the above mentioned two PIO's within 7 days from getting this order. The said PIO and Mamlatdar of Salcete will furnish the desired forms i.e. form no I & XIV (together). PIO from the Record of Rights, Fatorda, Margao shall provide information regarding form no III in respect of survey numbers mentioned in the RTI application. They shall supply the copies of the desired survey number within 30 days without charging any cost, and send a copy of their reply to this office.

Appeal is disposed as above. Order declared in open Court. Inform the parties.

Sd/(Leena Mehendale)

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