

GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

Ground Floor, Shrama Shakti Bhavan, Patto Plaza, Panaji- Goa.

CORAM: Smt. Leena Mehendale, State Chief Information Commissioner

Appeal 34/SIC/2013

Decided on 19/06/2014

Shri. Vinayak Ghanshyam Kantik,
R/o. H.No. 46/39/70, Near Golden
Hill Apartment, Mangor Hill,
Vasco-da-Gama, Goa 403802
V/S

---- Appellant

1. The Public Information Officer,
Inspector of Survey and Land Records,
City Survey, Vasco da Gama,
Our Lady of Guia Building,
Vasco da Gama Goa.

---- Respondent No. 1

2. The Director of Land Survey,
Director of Settlement and Land Records,
Government of Goa,
Panaji Goa. 403 001.

---- Respondent No. 2

ORDER

This Appeal is filed on 18/03/2013 and it arises out of original RTI application dated 23/01/2013 made to the PIO in the office of the Inspector of Surveys and Land Records, City Survey, Vasco da Gama- Goa. The matter pertains basically to chalta No. 63 of Sheet No. 156 and Chalta No. 20 of Sheet No. 156 of the City Survey of Vasco da Gama.

Part reply has been given by the PIO and some questions were transferred to another PIO who is also superintendent of Survey and Land Records of Panaji at the Head office in the Directorate of Settlement and Land Records. For both these PIOs, the FAA is the Director of Settlement and Land Records (DSLRL).

The applicant who is not satisfied with the reply given by both the above mentioned PIOs namely ISLR Vasco and ISLR Panaji (Head Office) had nonetheless not preferred first appeal before the Director of Settlement and Land Records (DSLRL). He has now submitted application before SCIC on 06/11/2013, requesting that he may be allowed to withdraw this appeal and file it before the appropriate First Appellate Authority.

The matter came up for hearing today. The prayer of the appellant is granted. He should approach the FAA namely DSLR, Panaji with 30 days from the date of receiving this order. If he so approaches, the FAA is directed to waive the technical delay in filing the first appeal and should admit the first appeal and decide it on merits within one month as required under RTI Act. Needless to say that in case the appellant is not satisfied with the decision of FAA, he will be free to file the second appeal within the frame work of RTI Act 2005.

With this direction the appeal is dismissed as premature. Parties to be informed.

Sd/-

(Leena Mehendale)

Goa State Chief Information Commissioner,
Panaji-Goa.