

**GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT
PANAJI**

CORAM: Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

Complaint No. 28/SIC/2009

Shri Rajkrishan D. Khosla,
Beira-Mar, Residential Complex,
Phase II, Santa Vaddo, Baga-Calangute,
Calangute,
Bardez - Goa

... Complainant

V/s.

1) The Public Information Officer,
Secretary,
Village Panchayat of Calangute,
Calangute,
Bardez – Goa

...Opponent No. 1

2) The First Appellate Authority,
The Block Development Officer,
Mapusa
Bardez – Goa

...Opponent No. 2

Dated: 11.09.2009

Complainant in person.
Opponent No. 1 in person

ORDER

(Per Afonso Araujo)

The information which was sought under the Right to Information Act 2005, by the Complainant was not provided within the statutory period envisaged under the Right to Information Act, 2005 and subsequently inspite of the orders of the First Appellate Authority dated 08.07.2008 the same was not provided as directed, the Complainant approached this Commission with this complaint.

2. The Complainant sought the information on the request dated 13.05.2009 on four items mentioned in the said letter. The Public Information Officer-the Opponent did not reply within a period of one month and the same amounts to deemed refusal. The Complainant moved the First Appellate Authority and by

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order dated 08.07.2009 the Opponent was directed to provide the information within a period of seven days. Due to the deemed refusal the Complainant approached this Commission with the complaint. The Opponent in reply to the complaint has stated that by letter No. VP/Cal/F-41/09-10/880 dated 15.07.2009 was called in the office to obtain the necessary documents as per the order in the first appeal No. 240/2009 and that the Complainant approached this office on 21.07.2009 at 03:45pm but did not meet the Public Information Officer as he had gone on official duty. The records indicate that this complaint was filed on 15.07.2009 when the Opponent has called the Complainant to obtain the necessary documents.

3. Since the Opponent called the Complainant on 15.07.2009 to collect the information required and precisely on the same day the Complainant presented this complaint, it would be proper before any further action to be taken in the matter, the Complainant approach the Opponent and in pursuance of letter dated 15.07.2009 obtain the required information which the Complainant sought in his letter dated 13.05.2009. The Opponent to provide the information as per the communication dated 15.07.2009 and report compliance on 09.10.2009.

Sd/-
(Afonso Araujo)
State Information Commissioner

