GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

CORAM: Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

Complaint No. 56/2008

Advocate N. K. Maruthi Rao, No. 5, 1 Cross, Adarsh Colony, V. V. Nagar, Belgaum – 590 001 Karnataka State

... Complainant.

V/s.

- The Public Information Officer, Bicholim Municipal Council, Bicholim – Goa
- The Public Information Officer, The Secretary,
 Village Panchayat of Mayem,
 Bicholim – Goa

... Opponents.

ORDER

(Per Afonso Araujo)

The Complainant by request dated 05.10.2008 sought from the Public Information Officer, Town Municipality, Bicholim-Goa, the information under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (for short 'The Act') and required extract from the property tax register with respect to House No. 1369 situated at Sharada Nagar, Mayem, Bicholim, Goa standing in the name of Suman Hanumanth Redkar for the current year 2008.

2. By order dated 28.07.2009 this Commission directed the Public Information Officer, Mamlatdar of Bicholim to decide under section 7(1) of the Right to Information Act the request of the Complainant dated 05.10.2008 and report compliance on 30.09.2009. The Public Information Officer – Mamlatdar of Bicholim in the reply stated that no property tax register was maintained by the office and the information sought by the

Complainant could not be furnished and the office is collecting only the land tax in respect of agricultural properties.

3. Since the Complainant sought specific information and requires the extract of property tax register and the Public Information Officer provided the information stating that no property tax register is maintained and is only collecting the land tax in respect of agricultural properties, the information provided by the Public Information Officer specifically answers the information sought by the Complainant. Hence, this Complaint is disposed off accordingly.

Pronounced in the open court on this 30^{th} day of September, 2009.

Sd/(Afonso Araujo)
State Information Commissioner

GSIC/Complaint No.56/2008 Goa State Information Commission Shrama Shakti Bhavan, Gr. Floor, Patto Plaza, <u>Panaji-Goa</u>

02.11.2009

To,

- Advocate N. K. Maruthi Rao, No. 5, 1 Cross, Adarsh Colony, V. V. Nagar, Belgaum – 590 001 Karnataka State
- 2) The Public Information Officer, Bicholim Municipal Council, Bicholim – Goa
- 3) The Public Information Officer, The Secretary, Village Panchayat of Mayem, Bicholim – Goa

Sub: Complaint No. 56/2008.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith copy of the Order dated 30th September, 2009 passed by the Commission in the above referred Complaint for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

(Meena H. Naik Goltekar) Under Secretary-cum-Registrar

Encl: As above.