

# GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

**CORAM:** Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

**Appeal No. 63/SIC/2009**

Shri Mohan P. Sawant,  
C/o Mistal Medical Store,  
S3, Brindavan Bldg.,  
Tonca, Caranzalem – 403 002.

..... Appellant.

V/s.

1. Public Information Officer,  
The Secretary,  
Goa State Election Commission,  
Junta House, Panaji - Goa.
2. First Appellate Authority,  
The Commissioner,  
Goa State Election Commission,  
Junta House, Panaji - Goa.
3. The Chief Electoral Officer,  
Election Office, Altinho,  
Panaji - Goa.
4. The Collector/DEO/RO of 1-North Goa PC,  
North Goa District, Panaji - Goa.

..... Respondents.

Appellant absent.

Adv. Shri H. V. Bhatkuly for Respondent No. 1 and 2.

## **ORDER**

By invoking the provisions of section 6(3) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (for short the RTI Act), the information sought in the request dated 28/04/2009 was transferred from one Public Authority to another and ultimately by communication dated 07/08/2009 the information was provided by the Public Information Officer – Mamlatdar of Bardez, through the assistance of the Joint Mamlatdar, Bardez under section 5(4) of RTI Act.

2. The information sought in the request dated 28/04/2009 consists of queries at Sr. No. 1 to 16 and pertains to the Parliamentary Election of 06– Siolim Assembly Constituency. As the Public Information Officer - Respondent No. 1 deals with elections in respect of the local bodies such

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as Panchayat, Municipalities, Zilla Parishad and the information sought was in respect of the Parliamentary election, transferred by letter dated 02/07/2009 to the Chief Electoral Officer, the Respondent No. 3 the information sought by the Appellant. The Respondent No. 3 on the strength that the information sought is not held by the Public Authority of Respondent No. 3, transferred on 06/07/2009 the request for the information to the Respondent No. 4 who in turn on 10/07/2009 transferred it to the Mamlatdar of Bardez. The Public Information Officer – Mamlatdar of Bardez sought the assistance of Joint Mamlatdar of Bardez and by reply dated 31/07/2009 of the Deemed Public Information Officer, the Mamlatdar of Bardez by letter dated 7/8/2009 provided the information sought to the request dated 28/04/2009 of the Appellant. The transfer from Respondent No. 1 to Respondent No. 3 and from Respondent No. 3 to Respondent No. 4 and again transfer from Respondent No. 4 to the Mamlatdar of Bardez was intimated to the Appellant.

3. The queries at Sr. No. 1 to 16 in the request dated 28/04/2009 pertaining to the Parliamentary election held on 23/04/2009 in the 06 – Siolim Assembly Constituency, has been specifically answered in the reply dated 31/07/2009 by the Deemed Public Information Officer – the Joint Mamlatdar, Bardez, and since the information provided in the reply dated 31/07/2009, meets the requirements to the request of Appellant dated 28/04/2009, this Appeal is disposed off accordingly.

Pronounced on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2009.

Sd/-  
(Afonso Araujo)  
State Information Commissioner



