## GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

CORAM: Shri Afonso Araujo, State Information Commissioner

Complaint No. 62-SIC-2009

Shri Kashinath Shetye, R/o. Bambino Building, Alto Fondvem, Ribandar, Tiswadi, <u>Goa</u> & 5 Ors.

... Complainants

V/s.

Public Information Officer, South Goa Zilla Panchayat, Goa Agricultural Product Committee, Main Yard, Arlem Raia, <u>Salcete -Goa</u>

... Opponent .

Complainant No. 1 and 4 in person. Opponent in person.

Dated: 04.02.2010

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By common application dated 05.08.2009 information was sought under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (for short 'The RTI Act') by a group of six persons. The Opponent, on the strength that the information was sought by a group of persons and only one Applicant signed and the others are not signatories to the request, did not provide the information.

2. In fact, the Public Information Officer need not provide the information sought to each and every information seeker whose name appears in the common application for information. Suffice information is provided to only one person from the application for information under the RTI Act. Hence, the Opponent to provide the information enumerated in the request dated 05.08.2009 to the Applicant No. 1, Kashinath Shetye, within the period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of this order and report compliance on 03.03.2010.

Sd/-(Afonso Araujo) State Information Commissioner