

**GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION  
AT PANAJI**

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

Appeal No. 265/2008

Smt. Fakirawa Odra,  
Hosrur Camp,  
Zuarinagar, Birla,  
Sancoale – Goa

... Appellant.

V/s.

1) The Public Information Officer,  
Superintendent of Police (Crime),  
Dona Paula,  
Panaji – Goa

... Respondent No. 1.

2) The First Appellate Authority,  
Inspector General of Police,  
Police Headquarters,  
Panaji – Goa

... Respondent No. 2.

Appellant through her authorized representative Shri Joao Pereira.  
Adv. Harsha Naik for Respondent No. 1.

J U D G M E N T

(Per Afonso Araujo)

The Appellant on 28.10.2008 sought information under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (for short, 'The RTI Act') from the Respondent No. 1 pertaining to the Cr. No. 327/07 and requires:

- (a) Copy of the Final Finger Prints Opinion Report received from Pune.
- (b) Copy of the questioned document marked as 'Q-1' by the Investigation Officer.
- (c) Copies of Specimen Thumb Impression taken by the Investigation Officer and marked as 'S-11' to 'S-28' and 'S-39' to 'S-41'.
- (d) Panchanama Reports prepared by the Investigation Officer dated 23.2.08, 15.1.08 and 15.1.08.

2. The Respondent No. 1 by communication dated 21.11.2008 denied the information being exempt u/s. 8(1) (h) and 8(1) (g) of the RTI Act. Aggrieved by this decision of the Respondent No. 1 the Appellant preferred First Appeal and by Order dated 17.12.2008 the First Appellate Authority upheld the decision of the Respondent No. 1. Hence, this Second Appeal.

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3. The records indicate that the Appellant is the Complainant in Cr. No. 327/07 and being the Complainant she is entitled for the information sought at Sr. (a), (b), (c) and (d) of her request dated 28.10.2008. In no manner if the information is provided the same would impede the process of investigation and endanger the life or physical safety of any person. On the contrary it can help the investigation to proceed on the right direction. It was not proper on the part of the Respondent No. 1 to deny the information sought on the grounds that it is exempt u/s. 8(1)(h) and 8(1) (g) of the RTI Act. With these observations the following order:

**ORDER**

The Appeal is allowed. The Respondent No. 1 to provide the information at Sr. (a), (b), (c) and (d) of the request dated 28.10.2008 to the Appellant within the period of twenty days from the date of receipt of the Order.

Pronounced on this 31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2010.

**Sd/-  
(Afonso Araujo)  
State Information Commissioner**