#### GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION AT PANAJI

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

Complaint No.08/SIC/2010

Mr. Ignatius Braganza, House No. A-147, Agarwaddo, Calangute, <u>Bardez – Goa</u>

... Complainant.

V/s.

Village Panchayat Secretary & Public Information Officer, Village Panchayat Calangute, Calangute, <u>Bardez – Goa</u> ... Opponent.

Complainant alongwith his representative Shri C. Baretto. Opponent in person.

## Dated: 27.04.2010

## <u>O R D E R</u>

In the letter dated 28.10.2000 of the Dy. Sarpanch, Village Panchayat Calangute addressed to Thomas Braganza, a reference was made to the letter dated 09.10.2000 of Thomas Braganza addressed to the Village Panchayat Calangute and this copy of the letter dated 09.10.2000 the Complainant requires in the request dated 23.10.2009 under the RTI Act.

2. As the Complainant did not receive any reply, moved the First Appellate Authority who by Order dated 28.12.2009 directed the Opponent to give the information within seven days. Since the Opponent did not comply with the Order of the First Appellate Authority, the present Complaint. The contention of the Opponent is that information sought is very old, of around ten years and the Public Information Officer cannot generate information but to give what is available in the office records.

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3. The Complainant came to know about the existence of the letter dated 09.10.2000 from the letter of the Village Panchayat Calangute dated 23.10.2000 addressed to Thomas Braganza and precisely this letter dated 09.10.2000 the Complainant requires under the RTI Act and this letter being of the year 2000, cannot be considered as old and the Complainant is entitled for a copy of this letter. Accordingly, the Opponent to give effect to the request dated 23.10.2009 and provide copy of the letter written by Thomas Braganza to the Village Panchayat of Calangute and dated 09.10.2000 within the period of twenty days from the date of receipt of this Order directly to the Complainant and report its compliance.

Sd/-(Afonso Araujo) State Information

Commissioner

GSIC/Complaint No. 8/SIC/2010 Goa State Information Commission Shrama Shakti Bhavan, Gr. Floor, Patto Plaza, <u>Panaji-Goa</u>

07.05.2010

To,
1) Mr. Ignatius Braganza, House No. A-147, Agarwaddo, Calangute, <u>Bardez – Goa</u>
2) Village Panchayat Secretary & Public Information Officer, Village Panchayat Calangute, Calangute, <u>Bardez – Goa</u>

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Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith copy of the Order dated 27<sup>th</sup> April, 2010 passed by the Commission in the above referred Complaint for information and necessary action at your end.

Yours faithfully,

Goltekar)

(Meena H. Naik

, Under Secretary-cum-

Registrar

Encl: As above.