GOA INFORMATION COMMISSION

Ground Floor, "Shrama Shakti Bhavan", Patto Plaza, Panaji.

Complaint No.59/2007-08

Mrs. Grace Alphonsus, 5th Floor, B-5, Sterling Apartments, Pajifond, Margao – Goa..

Complainant.

V/s.

Public Information Officer, The Dy. Collector & SDO, Salcete Taluka, Margao – Goa.

Opponent.

CORAM:

Shri G. G. Kambli State Information Commissioner

(Per G. G. Kambli)

Dated: 05/02/2008.

ORDER

Complainant in person. Heard the Complainant. The grievance of the Complainant is that she made an application under section 32 of the G.D.D. Land Revenue Code, 1968 to the Dy. Collector and SDO, Margao requesting for conversion of use of land to the extent of 198 sq. mts. from the survey No. 17/1 (part) of village Guirdolim, Salcete – Goa. As the Complainant did not receive any communication from the Dy. Collector, the Complainant moved an application under the Right to Information Act, 2005 (for short the Act) requesting the Dy. Collector to inform the present position of her application. As the Complainant did not receive any response from the Dy. Collector, the Complainant has filed the present complaint before this Commission.

2. The Complainant has not exhausted the remedy of the first appeal available under section 19(1) of the Act. Therefore, the Complainant may first approach the first Appellate Authority and if aggrieved of the decision of the first Appellate Authority can prefer a second appeal before this Commission under section 19(3) of the Act, if so desire. In the circumstances, the complaint is rejected.

Announced in the open court on this 5th day of February, 2008.

Sd/-(G. G. Kambli) State Information Commissioner, GOA.