

GOA STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Shri. Sanjay N. Dhavalikar, State Information Commissioner

Appeal No. 376/2023/SIC

Ms. Alita Luiza Dsouza,
H. No. 54 A, Pocket-B,
SFB Flats, Mayur Vihar-3,
Delhi-110096.

-----Appellant

v/s

1.Mamlatdar of Bardez,
Public Information Officer,
Mamlatdar Office,
Market Road, Mapusa-Goa 403507.

2. Dy. Collector & SDO-I-cum-First Appellate Authority,
of Bardez,
Government Complex Building, Morod,
Mapusa-Goa 403507.

-----Respondents

Relevant dates emerging from appeal:

RTI application filed on	: 17/07/2023
PIO replied on	: Nil
First appeal filed on	: 25/08/2023
First Appellate Authority order passed on	: Nil
Second appeal received on	: 17/10/2023
Decided on	: 31/01/2024

ORDER

1. The appellant under Section 6 (1) of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter referred to as the 'Act'), had sought certain information from Respondent No. 1, Public Information Officer (PIO). She received no response to her application, thus, filed first appeal before Respondent No. 2, First Appellate Authority (FAA). It is the contention of the appellant that, the first appeal was not decided and being aggrieved, she has approached the Commission by way of second appeal.
2. The concerned parties were notified and the matter was taken up on board for hearing. Submission from appellant was received in the entry registry dated 08/12/2023. Shri. Sanjeev Signapurkar, PIO appeared in person and undertook to furnish the information to the appellant.
3. Upon perusal of records of the present matter, it is seen that, the appellant is primarily aggrieved by non-receipt of the desired information. Appellant, resident of New Delhi, has sought exemption

from personal appearance since she is unable to travel to Goa to attend the proceeding. Rule 7 (2) of the Goa State Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2006 allows the appellant to opt not to be present. Accordingly, the matter has been heard and decided in the absence of the appellant, on merit.

4. During the proceeding on 21/12/2023, Shri. Sanjeev Signapurkar, PIO appeared before the Commission and undertook to furnish the information. The Commission directed PIO to dispatch by Registered Post, the information to the address of the appellant.
5. It is seen that, the PIO vide letter dated 20/12/2023, dispatched on 23/12/2023, has sent the information to the appellant on her address. Further, the Commission notes that, the appellant has received the said information on 29/12/2023.
6. PIO, on 31/01/2024, stated that, the information sought by the appellant has been furnished and received by the appellant. The Commission notes that, PIO has furnished necessary documents to substantiate his statement.
7. In the background of the facts as mentioned above the Commission finds that, the information sought by the appellant has been furnished. Thus, no more intervention of the Commission is required in the present matter.
8. Hence, the present appeal is disposed accordingly and the proceeding stands closed.

Pronounced in the open court.

Notify the parties.

Authenticated copies of the order should be given to the parties free of cost.

Aggrieved party if any, may move against this order by way of a Writ Petition, as no further appeal is provided against this order under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

Sd/-

Sanjay N. Dhavalikar

State Information Commissioner
Goa State Information Commission,
Panaji-Goa.

