

BEFORE THE GOA HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

PANAJI – GOA

Proceeding No.24/2023

Chris Fernandes.
Yeshmira Apartments,
La Campala Residential Colony,
Miramar, Panaji, Goa-403001.
Email ID: cdhrris@yahoo.co.in

... Complainant

V/s

1. The Managing Director,
Imagine Panaji Smart City
Development Limited,
Adil Shah Palace, Panaji-Goa.

2. The Chief Engineer,
Public Works Department,
Altinho, Panaji-Goa.

... Respondents

INQUIRY REPORT

(14th February, 2024)

The complaint dated 17/01/2023, was filed by the Complainant, Mr. Chris Fernandes, who is the resident of La Campala Residential Colony, Miramar, Panaji, to ensure that the roads are restored to their previous state on war footing as the dug up roads pose impossible challenges to him, senior citizens and differently abled persons.

2. On perusing the complaint, the Commission by Order dated 22/02/2023, called for the report/reply from the two Respondents, i.e., (1) The Managing Director, Imagine Panaji Smart City Development Limited, Panaji-Goa and (2) The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department, Altinho, Panaji-Goa.

3. The Respondent No.1 filed their reply dated 27/03/2023 and the Respondent No. 2 filed their reply on 02/02/2024.

4. At the stage of hearing, Mrs. Preeti Naik, Assistant Manager (Civil) was heard on behalf of the Respondent No.1 and Mrs. Rashmi Shirodkar, Assistant Engineer, was heard on behalf of Respondent No.2. The Complainant remained absent.

5. The Commission has gone through the complaint, the reply of the Respondent No.1 and the reply of Respondent No.2.

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6. The reply of Respondent No. 1 indicates that all executing agencies have been directed to ensure that proper backfilling is carried out and till such time, to ensure that the project site is well barricaded with proper signage.

7. In the reply dated 07/02/2024, the P.W.D. stated that they are carrying out work of upgradation of sewerage network in Panaji and surrounding areas under Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT). They stated that the P.W.D. will take necessary measures and the restoration will be done as soon the work is completed.

8. On going through the complaint and the replies of the Respondents, the Commission recommends that the Respondents take necessary steps at the earliest to ensure that the roads around La Campala Residential Colony, Miramar, Panaji-Goa, are restored to their previous state within 90 days from today.

9. Under Section 18(e) of the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993, the Commission shall send a copy of the Inquiry Report together with its recommendations to the concerned Government or authority and they shall, within a period of one month or such further time as the Commission may allow, forward its comments on the report, including the action taken or proposed to be taken, to the Commission.

10. Copy of the Inquiry Report be sent to the two Respondents, calling for their comments, including the action taken or proposed to be taken within a period of 90 days or on or before 15/05/2024, in terms of Section 18(e) of the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993.

Date : 14/02/2024

Place : Panaji-Goa.

Sd/-
(Desmond D'Costa)
Acting Chairperson/Member
Goa Human Rights Commission

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(Pramod V. Kamat)
Member
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