MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE TO SELECT ONE POST OF STATE CHIEF INFORMATION COMMISSIONER AND ONE POST OF STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER HELD IN THE CHIEF MINSTER'S CHAMBER, ASSEMBLY COMPLEX, PORVORIM, GOA ON 09/07/2024 AT 12.00 NOON.

The meeting of the Selection Committee constituted under section 15(3) of the Right to Information Act consisting of the following members for the Selection of one post of State Chief Information Commissioner and one post of State Information Commissioner was held under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant in his Chamber at Assembly Complex, Porvorim, on 09/07/2024 at 12.00 noon.

The following members of the Selection Committee attended.

- Shri Subhash Faldesai
 Hon'ble Social Welfare Minister
 Member
- Shri Yuri Alemao
 Hon'ble Leader of Opposition
 Member

The Committee deliberated on all the 54 applications which were screened during the meeting. Committee decided to defer the selection for the Post of State Information Commissioner after the ensuing Assembly Session and after considering the number of cases filed and disposed in the GSIC. The Selection Committee considered all 54 applications for the post of SCIC. After taking into account the required eligibility for the post of State Chief Information Commissioner, with consensus shortlisted the name of Shri Arvind Kumar H. Nair for the post of State Chief Information Commissioner for having the required eligibility under Section 15(3) of RTI Act.

Shri Arvind Kumar H. Nair whose name has been shortlisted for the post of State Chief Information Commissioner holds Master degree in Economics, from Kerala University, Master degree in Public Administration. IGNOU, P.G. Diploma in Journalism and Mass Communication, IGNOU, Bachelor of Law from Bharti Vidyapeeth, Deemed University, Pune and LLM with Human Rights as Specialization, Goa University. Shri Arvind Kumar H. Nair has served as Goa Chief of Intelligence Bureau, MHA, Government of India from May 2012 to March 2022 and Chief Immigration Officer, Goa from 2013 to 2017.

The candidate shortlisted by the Selection Committee is a person of eminence in public life with wide knowledge and experience in their respective field.

In view of above, the Selection Committee unanimously decided to recommend the name of Shri Arvind Kumar H. Nair for the post of State Chie Information Commissioner to the Hon'ble Governor who is the appointing authority.

(Yuri Alemao)

Hon'ble Leader of Opposition Member (Subhash Faldesai)

Hon'ble Social Welfare Minister Member

(Dr. Pramod Sawant)

Hon'ble Chief Minister Chairman

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE TO SELECT ONE POST OF STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER HELD IN THE CHIEF MINSTER'S CHAMBER, MANTRALAYA, PORVORIM, GOA ON 29/08/2024 AT 12.00 NOON.

The second meeting of the Selection Committee constituted under section 15(3) of the Right to Information Act consisting of the following members for the Selection of one post of State Information Commissioner was held under the Chairmanship of Chief Minister Dr. Pramod Sawant in his Chamber at Mantralaya, Porvorim, Goa on 29/08/2024 at 12.00 noon.

The following members of the Selection Committee attended.

- 1. Shri Subhash Shirodkar, Hon'ble Water Resources Minister, Member
- 2. Shri Yuri Alemao, Hon'ble Leader of Opposition, Member

The Committee deliberated on all the 30 applications which were screened during the meeting. The Selection Committee considered all 30 applications for the post of SIC. After taking into account the required eligibility for the post of State Information Commissioner, the name of **Shri Atmaram Ramkrishna Barve** was Shortlisted. Shri Yuri Alemao, Hon'ble Leader of Opposition raised apprehension for the same since Shri Barve is OSD to Hon'ble Chief Minister. He was of the opinion that the neutrality will be compromised. It was clarified to Hon'ble Leader of Opposition that Shri Atmaram Ramkrishna Barve posses the required eligibility under Section 15(3) of RTI Act and his name is considered on merits. However, Hon'ble Leader of Opposition did not agree to propose the name of Shri Atmaram R. Barve. Hon'ble Chief Minister and Hon'ble Water Resources Minister agreed to propose the name of Shri Atmaram R. Barve as he possesses the required eligibility under Section 15(3) of the RTI Act and his name is considered on merits.

Shri Atmaram Ramkrishna Barve whose name has been shortlisted for the post of State Information Commissioner holds Bachelor of Law degree and Bachelor of Science degree from Goa University.

The candidate shortlisted by the Selection Committee is a person of eminence in public life with wide knowledge and experience in their respective field.

In view of above, the Selection Committee decided by majority to recommend the name of Shri Atmaram Ramkrishna Barve for the post of State Information Commissioner to the Hon'ble Governor who is the appointing authority.

(Yuri Alemao)

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Hon'ble Leader of Opposition
Member

(Subhash Shirodkar)

Hon'ble Water Resources Minister

Member

(Dr. Pramod Sawant) Hon'ble Chief Minister

Chairman