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DATE: 12-01-2023

FROM  
JOSE MARTINS  
18/48/1, CARDOZWADDO, TALEIGAO  
BEHIND SBI, GOA-403002

DIRECTORATE OF PANCHAYATS  
Inward No. 202  
Dated 12/01/23

- ✓ 1. THE DIRECTOR,  
OFFICE OF DIRECTORATE OF PANCHAYATS  
PANAJI, GOA
- ✓ 2. THE BLOCK DEVELOPMENT OFFICER  
OFFICER OF TISWADI  
PANAJI GOA
- ✓ 3. THE SARPANCH/SECRETARY,  
VILLAGE PANCHAYAT OF TALEIGAO  
TALEIGAO GOA
- ✓ 4. DEPARTMENT OF VIGILANCE  
ALTINHO PANAJI GOA
- ✓ 5. THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER  
CENTRALISED VIGILANCE CELL  
ELECTRICITY DEPARTMENT  
PANAJI GOA.

Received On 12-01-2023  
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B. D. O. Tiswadi  
Panaji-Goa

V. R. TALEIGAO  
12/01/2023  
Office of the Director (Vigilance)  
Government of Goa  
Directorate of Vigilance  
Altinho, Panaji-Goa

Received  
Central Vigilance Cell  
O/o Chief Electrical Engineer  
Vidyut Bhavan  
Panaji-Goa

- ✓ 6. THE COLLECTOR  
COLLECTORATE BUILDING  
PANAJI GOA
- ✓ 7. THE CHIEF SECRETARY  
ASSEMBLY COMPLEX  
PORVORIM GOA

Signature of the Collector (N)  
12/1/23

RECEIVED  
Government of Goa  
Secretariat, Porvorim, Goa.  
Dated: 12 JAN 2023

**SUB: ACTION AGAINST ALL THE CORRUPT OFFICERS WHO HELPED MR. ESTINIO ALMEIDA IN ILLEGAL HILL CUTTING.**

Dear Sir/Madam,  
I would like to bring to your kind attention the order passed by the Honorable High Court of Bombay at Goa (please find attached a copy of the Herald Newspaper dated 10/01/2023). In which it was observed by the Honorable Court that Mr. Estinio Almeida carried out the illegal hill cutting at survey no.276/6, Taleigao Goa.  
I have written numerous letters to concerned departments about his illegal hill cutting and construction of his <sup>house</sup> for last year as a responsible citizen. Instead of taking any actions against the accused, the officers of these departments allied with the accused to intimidate and harass me by issuing notices of false nature. I would like to give you an example of Mr. Richard Noronha, who is an FDA officer, trying to intimidate and harass me by issuing a notice to seal my legal establishment even after producing all my legal documents. I was forced to approach

✓ 8) THE NCPDA.  
ARCHDIOCESE BUILDING  
1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR, MALA LENC ROAD,  
PANAJI, GOA - )

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North Goa Planning and Development Authority

The Honorable High Court for justice. Moreover, the Honorable High Court observed that my business is legal and reprimanded Mr. Richard Noronha.

The Secretary of the Village Panchayat of Taleigao, who is under investigation for his financial irregularities at The Village Panchayat of Santacruz, as a Secretary is the second officer who is hand in glove with the accused. He has been providing wrong information about me and my establishment to the accused. Using this false information the accused has been approaching different Government Departments and filing wrong complaints to intimidate, harass, and force me not to perceive the charges of illegal hill cutting and construction of his house.

The Sarpanch of the Village Panchayat of Taleigao is also involved with Mr. Estinio Almeida in his illegal activities of hill cutting. He has provided an occupancy certificate to the accused and the accused is using the same premises to store the hill-cutting equipment. Even he has issued a NOC for a new electricity connection, which was used for illegal hill cutting.

The third cog in the wheel of Mr. Estinio Almeida are the officers of the Electricity Department of Taleigao namely The Assistant Engineer and The Junior Engineer. They have provided him Electricity Connection to the accused for his illegal hill-cutting activities. In addition, in lieu of financial gain harassed me by raiding my premises without any prior notice. The vigilance Department asked them to inspect about the nature of connections and about the tampering of connections or meters. Instead of doing what was instructed, they went on to inspect the consumption of electricity by counting the number of plug points, bulb holders (even they counted temporary connections for Christmas decoration), etc. and issued inflated reports of consumption.

I would like to request you to direct the authorities of the Electricity Department to disconnect the Electricity connection of Mr. Estinio Almeida, as the same has been used for illegal hill cutting. In addition, I would also request you to direct the authorities of Village Panchayat of Taleigao to revoke his occupancy certificate as the premises is been used for storing equipment that was used for illegal hill cutting.

The Taleigao Panchayat and NGPDA or Greater Panjim gave Mr. Estinio Almeida construction certificate to build it on false documents, where Edwin Cortez is the co-owner who objected and complained to the authorities. However, the authorities did not take any action to his complaints. I have the following points to prove my point:-

- 1) He has no conversion sanad for the construction of his house
- 2) Sanitation fees are not paid; the Sarpanch and the Secretary are responsible for it.
- 3) The Sarpanch /Secretary and NGPDA Chairman gave an illegal completion certificate and occupancy certificate to him in a corrupt way. The vigilance department should enquire about this matter. The director of Panchayat and BDO should take necessary action against these officers.

And finally, it is my humble request to you, to form an inquiry panel to investigate the irregularities and financial background of all the above-mentioned Government Officers and all the other Officers whose involvement are hidden, to ascertain their involvement with Mr. Estinio Almeida. I am sure many skeletons will tumble out.

Let us pledge to make our motherland free from the menace of corruption and misgovernance and set a precedence so that no other Government Officers dare to get involved in illegal activities of corruption and misgovernance.

Thanking You



(JOSE MARTINS)

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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA**

**WRIT PETITION NO. 479 OF 2022**

TONY RODRIGUES

.... Petitioner.

*Versus*

STATE OF GOA THR. THE CHIEF  
SECRETARY AND 4 ORS

... Respondents

**Mr. Rohit Bras de Sa, with Mr. Prataprao Naik,**  
*Advocates for the Petitioner.*

**Mr. D.J. Pangam, Advocate General with Mr. Deep  
Shirodkar, Addl. Govt. Advocate for the Respondents No.1,  
2 and 4.**

**Mr. Sahish Mahambrey, Advocate for Respondent No.3.**

**Mr. Neelesh Takkekar, with Ms. Diniz Ritzela Julio,**  
*Advocates for Respondent No.5.*

**CORAM : M. S. SONAK &**

**BHARAT P. DESHPANDE, JJ.**

**DATE : 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

**P.C.:-**

1. Mr. Takkekar, learned Counsel for Respondent No.5, on instructions, states that respondent No.5, without prejudice to his contentions, will take such measures as are required for restoration of the site where the hill cutting has taken place.

Accordingly, Respondent No.3 to cause an inspection of the site and prepare a restoration plan. The plan should also indicate the minimum time within which Respondent No.5 would be in a position to undertake the restoration measures under the supervision of Respondent No.3. Further, Mr. Mahambrey states that the issue of FIR and obtaining sanction will also be pursued and expedited. Mr. Mahambrey states that such an application will be filed within 10 days. However, we grant Respondent No.3 two weeks so that there is no necessity of seeking any further extension.

2. The inspection should be carried out at the earliest with all seriousness that such an issue deserves.
3. S.O. to 30<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

**BHARAT P. DESHPANDE, J.**

**M.S. SONAK, J.**

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# HC orders restoration of Taleigao hill

## Directs NGPDA to recover expenses from respondent

Team Herald

**PANJIM:** The High Court of Bombay at Goa on Monday directed the North Goa Planning and Development Authority (NGPDA) to restore a hill near Taleigao Church and to recover the expenses towards the restoration from the respondent Estonio Francisco De Almeida.

During the last hearing in March last year, the Court had asked the Mem-

ber Secretary of the NGPDA to look into the complaint of hill cutting and to initiate action as per the law as expeditiously as possible. However, taking the excuse of the cyclone, the NGPDA told the court that the hill was eroded and had now become difficult to restore.

However, Adv Rohit Bras de Sa, arguing on behalf of the petitioner former Corporation of City of Panaji (CCP) Mayor Tony Ro-

drigues, challenged the NGPDA's contention and produced a copy of stop-work order dated October 13, 2021 issued by the North Goa Collector to Estonio Francisco De Almeida.

He told the Court that the petitioner had filed several complaints to the NGPDA seeking action against the illegal hill cutting.

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#### BOMB CALL ON MOSCOW-GOA FLIGHT PUTS DABOLIM AIRPORT ON HIGH ALERT

The top officials of the Goa Police and airport authorities immediately held a high-level meeting to ascertain the credentials of the caller. Other agencies such as ATS, CISF, fire service and the bomb squad were activated to take care of any adverse situation.

On the other hand, all the passengers were deboarded and the aircraft was kept under isolation bay at Jamnagar Airport.

Addressing mediapersons, Mormugao DySP Salim Shaikh said, "There is an emergency situation at the Goa Airport and we have deployed additional staff as a precautionary measure and we are monitoring the activity."

"The airport is a vital installation and there is nothing to worry as of now. We are not sure. It could be a hoax call, but we are not taking any chances at all and taking adequate precautions so that nothing happens and everything goes peacefully," Shaikh added.

#### HC ORDERS RESTORATION OF TALEIGAO HILL

The Division Bench comprising Justice Mahesh S Sonak and Justice B P Deshpande sought to know from NGPDA whether an FIR was filed against the person involved in illegal hill cutting at Taleigao. The Court then directed the NGPDA to prepare a plan to restore the hill and to recover the expenses incurred towards the restoration work from the respondent Estonio Francisco De Almeida.

The petitioner had approached the High Court praying to stop illegal hill cutting and destruction of the environment

in Survey Number 276/6 of Taleigao village. He had stated that the concerned authorities were not taking action to stop the ongoing hill cutting and construction of a bungalow in the said property.

#### DOUBLE TRACKING WORK RAISES STEAM IN VELSÃO

"The contractors of RVNL are trespassing and conducting illegal construction by encroaching on our property. They are laying concrete foundations in our property, damaging our water well, destabilising fully-grown coconut trees causing damage to life and property. All this is being done without our written permission," reads their complaint.

Based on this complaint, the Velsao Panchayat issued a stop-work order to RVNL asking them to stop activities in the property immediately and to produce legal documents if any, within three days, failing which action will be initiated in accordance with the law.

"There is a total collapse of law and order. The Chief Minister seems to be doing nothing about it. The Deputy Collector should have taken some action and listened to the voices of the people because it is not right to trespass into someone else's property and get the work done this way," said Captain Francisco Gouveia, one of the protestors at the site.

"This is total goondagiri. The people are agitated. The authorities concerned must understand that they cannot enter ancestral properties and do construction without even intimating the owners. They have criminally encroached and trespassed upon these areas. Today what we see is gross violation of every act in the land," said Orville Dourado Rodrigues, Goencho Ekvott founder member.