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Shri Sunil Dutt Sharma, R/o H.No.601, Phase-I, SAS Nagar (Mohali)..

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o Technical Education & Industrial Training Deptt..(IT Wing) Sector-36, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Technical Education & Industrial Training Deptt..(IT Wing) Sector-36, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.911 of 2020

Versus

- Present: (i) Shri Sunil Dutt Sharma, Appellant in person at Chandigarh.
 - (ii) Shri Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director, O/o Director, Technical Education & IndustrialTraining, Punjab/PIO.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility at Mohali. Shri Rupinder Singh, attends the hearing through V.C. in DC Office, Mohali. He states that the appellant has already been supplied the entire information from time to time comprising of nearly 900 pages.
- 3. The appellant comes present before the Bench in person at Chandigarh and states that he was called to the O/o PIO yesterday i.e. 30.06.2020. He was shown the records from which the information has been prepared. However, he contends that the relevant records conforming to his RTI application have not been shown to him. He also submits letter dated 01.07.2020 to the Bench explaining the harassment being faced by him in getting the information from the PIO.
- 4. The Bench observes that on the previous hearing, PIO was issued show cause notice to which no reply has been filed and PIO is unable to give any reasonable reply

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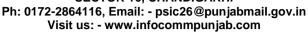
for not filing reply to the show cause notice. The Bench also observes that the appellant has been called to the office a number of times, but the relevant information to the satisfaction of the appellant has not been supplied so far and he has been subjected to unnecessary harassment.

- 5. For the loss and detriment suffered by the appellant, I find full justification in awarding him a suitable compensation. Therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 19(3)(b) of the RTI Act, 2005, a compensation of Rs.3000/- (Rupees three thousand only) is awarded to Shri Sunil Dutt Sharma, appellant. The same be paid to the appellant by the Public Authority and not by the individual through bank draft, within 30 days and confirmation to this effect be furnished to the Commission.
- 6. After deliberations, the Bench also decides that the appellant will visit the office of PIO on 02.07.2020 at 11.00 AM. He will be allowed to inspect all the relevant official records relating to the RTI application of the appellant and the information as may be identified by the appellant duly authenticated by PIO, will be provided to the appellant.
- 7. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public to the effect that complete information in AC No.911 of 2020, as available in the official records, has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The information supplied is correct and authentic. The original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy thereof be sent to the Commission for record.
- 8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM though V.C. in DC Office, Mohali. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

RED CROSS BUILDING, NEAR ROSE GARDEN, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH.





Shri H.S. Hundal, Advocate #203, Judicial Courts, Sector-76, Mohali.

.....Appellant

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.4196 of 2019

Present: (i) Appellant is absent.

(ii) Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO O/o S.T.C. Punjab is present in person In Commission's office at Chandigarh, on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. The order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing. Shri H.S. Hundal, Appellant has not come present to attend hearing through V.C. Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO has come present in office of Commission, on behalf of the PIO/Respondent. He produces affidavit dated 01.07.2020 duly attested by Notary Public to the effect that the information asked for by the appellant, containing 70 pages, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 01.06.2020.
- 3. Shri H.S. Hundal, Appellant is absent. He is contacted through phone. He confirms having received the information to his satisfaction and requests for closure of the case.
- 4. In view of the above, no cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Parwinder Singh S/o Shri Hakam Singh Village Jangpura, PO Banur, Tehsil & District Mohali.

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o Subordinate Services Selection Board, Punjab, Van Bhawan, Sector-68, Mohali

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Subordinate Services Selection Board, Punjab, Van Bhawan, Sector-68, Mohali

....Respondents

AC No.306 of 2020

Versus

Present: (i) Shri Parwinder Singh, appellant.

(ii) Shri Mohit, Sr. Asstt./APIO O/o SSS Board, Punjab, Mohali on behalf of the PIO.

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ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. The order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
- 2. Both Shri Parwinder Singh, Appellant as well as Shri Mohit, Sr. Asstt./ APIO, on behalf of the PIO/Respondent, have come present in the O/o D.C.Mohali to attend the hearing through V.C. The APIO states that the para-wise information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 15.06.2020.
- 3. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant expresses his dis-satisfaction over the information supplied.
- 4. The Bench deliberates on the case with the Appellant and APIO. Post deliberations, Shri Mohit, APIO states that all information stands supplied and an affidavit has also been filed in the said appeal case to the effect that apart from the information supplied, no other information relating to RTI application is available in their official records. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.



AC No.306/2020

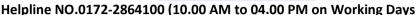
- 5. The APIO is then directed to hand over original copy of the affidavit to the appellant and photocopy thereof be sent to the Commission for record.
- 6. With the aforesaid direction, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Manpreet Singh, R/o 113, Phase-3B-1, Mohali.

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o Director, Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department, Anaj Bhawan, Sector 39, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

Director, Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department, Anaj Bhawan, Sector 39, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer

O/o Principal Secretary, Department of Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Mini Secretariat, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Principal Secretary, Department of Food Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Mini Secretariat, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No.4066/2019 along with AC No.4068/2019

Present: (i) Appellant is absent.

(ii) Shri Puneet Joshi, Inspector, O/o Director, Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department, in person at Chandigarh.

Versus

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
- 2. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C. in D.C. Office, Mohali.
- 3. The representative of the PIO, Shri Puneet Joshi, Inspector comes present in person before the Bench and states that the information sought by the appellant has been supplied to him vide letter dated 10.06.2020. He also produces the original affidavit before the

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AC No.4066/2019 & 4069/2019

Bench to the effect that the information sought by the appellant vide his RTI application dated 18.07.2019 in AC No.4066/2019 and AC No.4068/2019 has been provided to the appellant. Apart from this, no other information is available in their records. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is true and correct as per official record.

- 4. Since the appellant is absent, he is contacted on phone. He confirms the receipt of information to his satisfaction.
- 5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **Both the** appeals are disposed and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Chanchal Singh Bal H.No.172, Sector-70, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali)

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjab Subordinate Services Selection Board, Van Bhawan, Sector-68, SAS Nagar(Mohali)

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Punjab Subordinate Services Selection Board, Van Bhawan, Sector-68, SAS Nagar(Mohali)

...Respondents

AC No.357/2020

Present: (i)

- (i) Appellant is absent.
- (ii) Shri Mohit, Senior Assistant O/o SSS Board, Punjab, Mohali on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
- 2. The appellant is absent. He has, however, sent a letter dated 23.06.2020, expressing his dis-satisfaction over the information supplied by the PIO vide letter dated 12.06.2020 and he also opts out of the hearing before the Bench unilaterally in view of imbalanced attitude of the PIO, leaving it to the Bench to decide the matter.
- 3. Shri Mohit, Senior Assistant, O/o Subordinate Services Selection Board, Punjab attends the hearing through V.C. On the asking of the Bench, he states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 12.06.2020 clarifying the contents of instructions of the Government sought by him. He further states that the appellant has also been asked to come to the office of SSS Board with regard to any other relevant information sought by him.

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4. The PIO, Subordinate Services Selection Board, Punjab is now directed to call the appellant to the Board office on any working day by tying up with him. The appellant be allowed to inspect all the relevant records to identify the information required by him and copies of the documents so identified by him, be provided to the appellant. The PIO should go a step further and also clarify the contents of the Government letters to the Appellant.

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- 5. Last opportunity is given to the appellant to come present in person to attend the hearing through V.C. on the next date of hearing. The PIO is also directed to come personally to attend the hearing.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through Video Conferencing in the O/o D.C. Mohali. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Lal Chand S/o Sh.Rikhi Singh H.No.59, Royal Residency, Sec-127 (Behind Alivista Smart Homes) Chhajju Majra, S.A.S. Nagar, (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd, Sub Division, Kharar, Distt.Mohali

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd, Sub Division, Kharar, Distt.Mohali

....Respondents

AC No.4059 of 2019

Versus

Present: (i) Shri Lal Chand, Appellant

(ii) Shri Amardeep Singh, Additiional S.E., PSPCL DS Division, Kharar/APIO,on behalf of the PIO/Respondents.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing. Shri Lal Chand, appellant comes present to attend the hearing and states that an official of the PSPCL had contacted him yesterday i.e. 30.06.2020 and assured of supplying the information but the same is still awaited.
- 3. Shri Amardeep Singh, Additional S.E./APIO comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant had already been supplied information vide earlier letter dated 22.08.2019 after he had filed RTI application. He further states that the said information has again been sent vide letter dated 30.06.2020.
- 4. On the asking of the Bench as to why the PIO or his representative has not attended the previous four hearings, he states that the orders were not received in their office



AC No.4059/2019

due to the incomplete official address mentioned on the notices/orders. The Bench observes that the contention of the APIO is not convincing, as the notices were sent by registered post. Moreover, all the orders are also uploaded on the website of the Commission.

- 5. The PIO, PSPCL DS Division, Kharar, District Mohali, is now directed to call the appellant to PSPCL office, Kharar on 12.07.2020 at 11.00 AM. The appellant be allowed to peruse all relevant records to identify the documents required by him and the appellant be provided the copies of information required by him, free of cost. He is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice before the next date of hearing.
- 6. The PIO is further directed to file an affidavit duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that post perusal of official records by the appellant, he has been provided the relevant information in AC No.4059/2019. Nothing beyond that is available in official records and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. The original affidavit be sent to the appellant and a photocopy thereof be sent to the Commission for record. The PIO is also directed to come present in person on the next date of hearing, failing which the penal consequences shall follow.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. at Mohali. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Davinder Singh H.No.353, Phase-2, S.A.S. Nagar, (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjab Urban Planning & Development Authority (PUDA), Phase-8, SAS Nagar(Mohali)

First Appellate Authority-cum-O/o Punjab Urban Planning & Development Authority (PUDA), Phase-8, SAS Nagar(Mohali)

....Respondents

AC No.4010 of 2019

Versus

Present: (i) Shri Davinder Singh, Appellant

(ii) Shri Gagandeep Singh, Clerk, O/o GMADA, Mohali. On behalf of the PIO.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
- 2. The appellant Shri Davinder Singh attends the hearing through V.C. He states that the information provided vide letter dated 11.06.2020 is irrelevant.
- 3. Shri Gagandeep Singh, Clerk office of GMADA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the file relating to Plot No.353, Phase-2, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) about which the information has been sought, is not traceable and is missing.
- 4. The Bench, though not convinced about a file going missing from a Government office, has no option but to go by the statement of the representative of PIO. The Bench observes that such casual functioning of GMADA points to a very unprofessional and casual office functioning and procedures and checks and balances.



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- 5. The Bench now directs the PIO to file an affidavit to the effect that information sought in AC No.4010/2019 cannot be provided as official file relating to Plot No.353, Phase-2, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) is missing. The statement made is correct and authentic. The affidavit be signed by PIO/ First Appellate Authority and duly attested by Notary Public. The affidavit be filed in next seven days. Original copy be sent to the Appellant and photocopy to the Commission for record.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.**Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sh. Kulbir Singh,Ex-Driver H.No.158, Phase-9, S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali)

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.679 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant is absent.

(ii) Sh.Gurpal Singh, APIO, O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case was heard today through Video Conferencing. The Appellant has not come present to attend the V.C. at DC Office, Mohali. However, a letter dated 18.06.2020 has been received from him showing his dis-satisfaction over the information supplied.
- 3. Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO has come present in person on behalf of the PIO/Respondent before the Bench at Chandigarh. The APIO reiterates what was stated during previous hearing that the requisite information, giving para-wise reply to the RTI application has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 16.10.2019 and Appellant's dues have also been released. The APIO further states that the information as available in the official records stands supplied and no other details relating to the RTI application are available.

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AC No.679 of 2020

- 4. Since the appellant is absent, an attempt was made to contact him on phone, however, in spite of repeated attempts, there was no response from the appellant.
- 5. The Bench, post deliberations, directs the PIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to file an affidavit within seven days duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information in AC No.679/2020 as available in the official records, has been supplied to the appellant. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. The original affidavit be sent to the Commission and a photocopy thereof be sent to the appellant.
- 6. With the above directions, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Ms Sanotsh Kumari H.No.2650, Ward No.12, Opposite Dussehra Ground, Kharar, District Mohali.

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o District Education Officer(SE), SAS Nagar (Mohali)

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o District Education Officer(SE), SAS Nagar (Mohali)i

....Respondents

AC No.4017 of 2019

Versus

PRESENT: (I) Shri Charanjit Bansal on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) Shri Rajiv Kumar, Superintendent O/o D.E.O. (SE), Mohali/ PIO/respondent.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. Shri Charanjit Bansal, has come present to attend hearing through V.C. on behalf of Santosh Kumari, appellant. He refers to the e-mail sent by the appellant stating that only partial information has been supplied..
- 3. Shri Rajiv Kumar, Superintendent O/o District Education Officer (SE), Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that the appellant was contacted as per directions of the Commission and the requisite information has been supplied vide letter dated 21.05.2020. He further states that as directed on the previous hearing, an affidavit dated 30.06.2020 has also been filed to the effect that the information as sought by the appellant has been provided and apart from the information provided, there is nothing available in the official records. Nothing has been concealed therein.



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4. In view of the fact that the information, as available in the official records, has been supplied by the PIO to the appellant and an affidavit to this effect has also been filed, the appeal is disposed off and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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