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Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Manjit Singh S/o Sh. Sohan Singh H.No.388/3, Moh.Dhandolian Street, Bahera Road, Patiala (Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

- i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab Sector-17, Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer
 O/o The Secretary,
 Regional Transport Authority,
 Patiala(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Deputy Secretary to Govt. of Punjab Department of Transport, Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Sector- 9.Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3932 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Arvind Kumar, Secretary-cum-PIO O/o R.T.A., Patiala, in person;
- ii) Sh. Sham Lal, A. T. O. O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb., Chandigarh, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 08.05.2019 and last opportunity was given to the respondent/PIO office of Secretary, RTA, Patiala to supply the requisite information to the Appellant through registered post and produce the postal receipt through which the information would be sent to the Appellant before the Commission. The Appellant was also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, on receipt of information and send the same to the PIO/Respondent.

Sh. Sham Lal, A. T. O., appeared on behalf of PIO of office of State Transport Commissioner, Pb., Chandigarh, in today's hearing.

Sh. Arvind Kumar, Secretary-cum-PIO office of R.T.A., Patiala, who also appeared in person, in today's hearing, orally states that in response to the RTI request, he has brought the requisite information, consisting of twenty four pages, in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh during the hearing. He also submits a reply vide letter no. 5562 dated 02.07.2019 signed by himself. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

Appeal Case No. 3932 of 2018

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The respondent PIO of office of R.T.A., Patiala is directed to send the requisite information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address and produce a copy of the postal receipt in the Commission on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to bring a copy of the information, which would be sent to the appellant, in the Commission on the next date of hearing.

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be sent by the concerned PIO) or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO through registered post with a copy to the Commission, before the next date of hearing.

Another opportunity is also given to the appellant to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 26th August, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
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Dated: 3rd July,2019

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....Appellant

Versus

 i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab Sector-17, Chandigarh

ii) Public Information Officer

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Patiala(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Deputy Secretary to Govt. of Punjab Department of Transport, Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Sector- 9, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3931 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Arvind Kumar, Secretary-cum-PIO O/o R.T.A., Patiala, in person;
- ii) Sh. Sham Lal, A. T. O. O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb., Chandigarh, on behalf of the respondent.

ORD<u>ER</u>

This case was last heard on 08.05.2019 and last opportunity was given to the respondent/PIO office of Secretary, RTA, Patiala to supply the requisite information to the Appellant through registered post and produce the postal receipt through which the information would be sent to the Appellant before the Commission. The Appellant was also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, on receipt of information and send the same to the PIO/Respondent.

Sh. Sham Lal, A. T. O., appeared on behalf of PIO of office of State Transport Commissioner, Pb., Chandigarh, in today's hearing.

Sh. Arvind Kumar, Secretary-cum-PIO office of R.T.A., Patiala, who also appeared in person, in today's hearing, submits a point-wise reply vide letter no. 1641 dated 18.03.2019 signed by himself, showing that in response to the RTI request, part information, i. e. at point no. 01 of the RTI request, has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh. It is taken on record. He also orally states that remaining information, i. e. at point no. 02, 03 and 04 of the RTI request, would be supplied to the appellant, positively.

Appeal Case No. 3931 of 2018

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The respondent PIO of office of R.T.A., Patiala is directed to send the requisite information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address and produce a copy of the postal receipt in the Commission on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to bring a copy of the information, which would be sent to the appellant, in the Commission on the next date of hearing.

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be sent by the concerned PIO) or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO through registered post with a copy to the Commission, before the next date of hearing.

Another opportunity is also given to the appellant to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 26th August, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Manjit Singh

S/o Sh. Sohan Singh H.No.388/3, Moh.Dhandolian Street, Bahera Road, Patiala (Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer-cum-

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3930 of 2018

Present: Sh. Manjit Singh, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 08.05.2019 and a penalty of Rs. 2,500/-was imposed upon the concerned PIO/Respondent office of Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur. The PIO/Respondent was also directed to supply the complete information to the Appellant and also to come in person with the proof of having deposited the penalty on the fixed date of hearing.

The appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Neither the respondent PIO nor his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability.

Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the Appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh by registered post before the next date of hearing. The PIO concerned is also directed to appear in person along with the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant on the next date of hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that Public Information Officer of office of Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur, has not complied with the orders dated 08.05.2019 passed by the Commission, through which penalty of Rs. 2,500/- was imposed upon him.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the orders dated 08.05.2019 by depositing penalty of Rs. 2,500/- in the Treasury of Punjab Government and a copy of challan receipt be submitted to the Commission by or on the next date of hearing. It is to intimate that the amount of penalty to be deposited in the Treasury of Punjab Government under the head "0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act".

A copy of this order be sent through registered post to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, to ensure compliance of this order.

The case is <u>adjourned to 26th August, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Dated: 3rd July,2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
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The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab Sector-17, Chandigarh

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Tejinder Singh, Advocate

Village Bholapur, PO Ramgarh Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana-141123(Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab Sector-17, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,

Dated: 3rd July, 2019

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3568 of 2018

Present: Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate, the appellant in person.

Sh. Sham Lal, A. T. O., on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 08.05.2019 ad the Respondent/PIO was directed to represent this case in person or through any of his representative along with the postal receipt through which the information has already been sent to the Appellant, The Appellant was advised to point out deficiencies, if any, on receipt of information and send the same to the PIO/Respondent through registered post. The Appellant was also advised to appear in person or through any of his representative on the fixed date of hearing.

Sh. Sham Lal, A. T. O., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that complete information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh after removing the deficiency, which was pointed out by the appellant regarding point no. 08 of the RTI request.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate, who appeared in person in today's hearing, through a letter dated 03.07.2019, has acknowledged that he has received the requisite information and satisfied with the information supplied and asked for filing of his case. It is taken on record

Since the information stands supplied, the case is **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Surinder Kumar

S/o Sh. Bhagwan Dass Pandhi Ward No.8, Pradhan Nagar Welfare Society, Fatehgarh Churian, Distt. Gurdaspur (Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate, Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No.3526 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

- Sh. Sunder Kumar, Senior Assistant-cum-PIO O/o S.D.M., Batala ;
- ii) Sh. Kulwant Singh, Inspector O/o Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian :
- iii) Sh. Harinder Singh, Clerk O/o Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian, for the respondents.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 08.05.2019 and PIO office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Batala and PIO office of Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian, Distt. Gurdaspur, were directed to send the required information to the Appellant, through registered post. They were also directed to appear in person along with postal receipt on the fixed date of hearing. And if the information is not available, then both the PIO's were directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit to the Commission. The Appellant was advised to go through the information and point out deficiencies, if any, and send the same to the PIO/Respondent through registered post with a copy to the Commission.

Sh. Sunder Kumar, Senior Assistant-cum-PIO of office of S. D. M., Batala; who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that he has brought the requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant, Sh. Surinder Kumar during the hearing. He also submits a reply vide letter no. 3443 dated 01.07.2019 signed by himself. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

Sh. Kulwant Singh, Inspector and Sh. Harinder Singh, Clerk, both officials of office of Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian, also appeared in person in today's hearing and state that available information has already been supplied to the appellant.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the appellant, Sh. Surinder Kumar through a letter dated 02.07.2019, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has requested the Commission to transfer this case to some other Bench. It is taken on record.

As the concerned PIO has brought all the information to the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant during the hearing, it reflects that there is no malafide in supplying the requisite information on the part of the respondent PIO, hence, no cognizance is required to be taken on the letter dated 02.07.2019, sent by the appellant.

Accordingly, the respondent PIO of office of S. D. M., Batala is directed to send the requisite information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address and produce a copy of the postal receipt in the Commission on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to bring a copy of the information, which would be sent to the appellant, in the Commission on the next date of hearing.

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be sent by the concerned PIO) or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO through registered post with a copy to the Commission, before the next date of hearing.

Another opportunity is also given to the appellant to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing or it would be assumed that the appellant is satisfied with the information supplied to him and does not wish to pursue this case further, accordingly, the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 27th August, 2019 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

(Sanjiv Garg)

Dated: 3rd July,2019

State Information Commissioner
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Surinder Kumar

S/o Sh. Bhagwan Dass Pandhi Ward No.8, Pradhan Nagar Welfare Society, Fatehgarh Churian, Distt. Gurdaspur (Punjab)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian, Distt. Gurdaspur(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Deputy Director, Local Government Deptt., Pb., Amritsar(Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3494 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Kulwant Singh, Inspector O/o Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian :
- ii) Sh. Harinder Singh, Clerk O/o Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian, for the respondents.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 08.05.2019 and the Appellant was advised to visit the office of the PIO on 16th May, 2019 after contacting with Sh. Baldev Singh and to collect the information. The PIO was directed to be present personally along with concerned officials at the time of inspection. The Appellant was advised to go through the information, which would be provided and point out deficiencies, if any, and send the same to the PIO/Respondent through registered post with a copy to the Commission.

Sh. Kulwant Singh, Inspector and Sh. Harinder Singh, Clerk, both officials of office of Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian, who appeared in person in today's hearing, state that the appellant, Sh. Surinder Kumar, did not visit the office of the respondent for inspection of the official record on 16.05.2019 as ordered on 08.05.2019.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO also through a reply vide letter no. 29 dated 20.05.2019 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Fatehgarh Churian, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 10454 dated 27.05.2019, has intimated the Commission that the appellant, Sh. Surinder Kumar, did not visit the office of the respondent for inspection of the official record on 16.05.2019 as ordered on 08.05.2019. It is taken on record.

Appeal Case No. 3494 of 2018

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After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the appellant, Sh. Surinder Kumar through a letter dated 02.07.2019, which has been

received in the Commission through an e-mail, has requested the Commission to

transfer this case to some other Bench. It is taken on record.

As the concerned PIO is ready to put the relevant official record before the

appellant so that he could identify the required information and take certified copies of

the same, it reflects that there is no denial in supplying the requisite information on the

part of the respondent PIO, moreover, by not complying with the orders of the

Commission, it reflects that the appellant does not require the information anymore and

is trying to waste the time of the Commission by not representing any contrary claim

before the Commission, hence, no cognizance is required to be taken on the letter

dated 02.07.2019, sent by the appellant.

As no cause of action is required to be taken in the instant appeal case,

the case is disposed of and closed.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Dated: 3rd July,2019

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Yogesh Mahajan

S/o Late Sh.Kuldeep Raj Mahajan Near Asha Purni Mandir, Opp. Water Tank, Municipal Market, Mission Road, Pathankot(Punjab)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o The Executive Engineer, Provincial Division, PWD(B&R), Sangrur(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Superintending Engineer PWD(B&R) Circle, Sangrur(Punjab)

....Respondents

Appeal Case No.53 of 2019

Versus

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 08.05.2019 and the Respondent PIO was directed to send information again to the Appellant by registered post, after removing the deficiencies and produce postal receipt to the Commission. The Appellant was advised to point out deficiencies, if any, on the receipt of information by him and send the same to the PIO/ Respondent by registered post to remove the same.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan nor the respondent is present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 224 dated 03.07.2019 signed by Executive Engineer, Provincial Division, PWD(B&R), Sangrur, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail,, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan. It is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan through a letter dated 01.07.2019, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has acknowledged that he has received the requisite information in the instant appeal case. It is taken on record

Since the information stands supplied, the case is **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

(Sanjiv Garg)

Dated: 3rd July,2019

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Yogesh Mahajan

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.... Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o The Executive Engineer, Construction Division, PWD(B&R), Gidderbaha, District Sri Muktsar Sahib (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Superintending Engineer PWD(B&R) Circle, Faridkot(Punjab)

....Respondents

<u>Appeal Case No. 50 of 2019</u>

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Harpreet Sagar, S. D. E., on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 07.05.2019 and the Respondent/PIO was directed to produce a copy of postal receipt through which the information has been sent to the Appellant and the Appellant was advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information received by him and send the same to the PIO/ Respondent by registered post to remove the same.

Versus

Sh. Harpreet Sagar, S. D. E., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan through registered post.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 570 dated 23.05.2019 signed by Executive Engineer, Construction Division, PWD(B&R), Gidderbaha, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 10521 dated 27.05.2019, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan through registered post. It, alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan, is not present in today's hearing. He has neither pointed out any deficiency in the information supplied to him, to the respondent-PIO, nor approached the Commission with any contrary claim in that regard.

In view of the above, it is assumed that the applicant is satisfied with the information supplied to him and does not wish to pursue this case further and hence the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Dated: 3rd July,2019 State Information Commissioner Punjab

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Gulshan Kumar,

#1525/1, Street No.33, Preet Nagar, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana(Punjab)

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Commissioner/DTP/ATP Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Mata Rani Chowk, Ludhiana(Punjab)

Public Information Officer

O/o The Superintending Engineer B&R, Municipal Corporation, Mata Rani Chowk, Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellant Authority,

O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Mata Rani Chowk, Ludhiana(Punjab)

....Respondents

Appeal Case No.1683 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Akshay Bansal, Junior Engineer, Zone D;
- ii) Sh. Bhav Sagar, Junior Engineer, Zone A , on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 08.05.2019 and the Superintending Engineer (B&R), Municipal Corporation was directed to ensure that the appellant be allowed to inspect the records in the concerned Zones of the Corporation and information as identified by him be supplied to the appellant to his satisfaction.

Sh. Akshay Bansal, Junior Engineer, Zone - D of M. C., Ludhiana, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 64 dated 01.07.2019 signed by PIO, Zone D (B&R), M. C., Ludhiana, showing that complete information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Gulshan Kumar and a cheque of Rupees two thousand has also been given to the appellant as compensation amount, which was awarded vide orders dated 23.01.2019, appended to which a written note dated 01.07.2019 signed by the appellant as an acknowledgement of having received the requisite information, through which he claimed that he is satisfied with the information supplied and will have no objection if the case is closed today itself. It, alongwith a copy of acknowledgement receipt, is taken on record.

Sh. Bhav Sagar, Junior Engineer, Zone – A of M. C., Ludhiana, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 93 AEA4 dated 21.06.2019 signed by PIO, Zone A (B&R), M. C., Ludhiana, showing that complete information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Gulshan Kumar, appended to which a written note dated 27.05.2019 signed by the appellant as an acknowledgement of having received the requisite information, through which he claimed that he is satisfied with the information supplied and asked for filing of this case. It, alongwith a copy of acknowledgement receipt, is taken on record.

The abovementioned reply, vide letter no. 93 AEA4 dated 21.06.2019 alongwith a copy of acknowledgement receipt, has also been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 12405 dated 27.06.2019. It is also taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the required information has already been supplied by Zone – C of M. C., Ludhiana. Today, it has also been confirmed by the appellant that the required information has also been supplied by Zone – A and Zone - D of M. C., Ludhiana but he has not sent any intimation confirming that he has received the information form Zone – B or not.

As there is no intimation regarding the fact that the required information has been supplied by Zone – B of M. C., Ludhiana and the appellant has also not confirmed that the required information has been supplied by Zone – B of M. C., Ludhiana, accordingly, the concerned PIO of office of M. C., Zone - B, Ludhiana is directed to ensure presence of any of official of his office as a representative to represent this case on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information form Zone – B or not, before the next date of hearing or it would be assumed that the appellant has received the required information and is satisfied with the information supplied to him and the case the case would be decided on merits.

The representative/representatives of office of Zone – A, Zone C and Zone - D of M. C., Ludhiana, are exempted from personal appearance in further hearings of this case.

The case is <u>adjourned to 27th August, 2019 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

(Sanjiv Garg)

Dated: 3rd July,2019

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Pawan Kumar,

S/o Sh. Shiv Lal, R/o Village- Roopana.

Teh & Distt. - Sri Muktsar Sahib-152032(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Engineer, Construction Division, PWD B & R, Gidderbaha(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

Dated: 3rd July,2019

O/o The Superintending Engineer, Construction Division, B & R Circle, Faridkot (Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 668 of 2019

Present: Sh. Pawan Kumar, the appellant in person.

Sh. Harpreet Sagar, S. D. E., on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 14.05.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 29.05.2019 during working hours to supply the information, which would be identified after inspection, to the appellant as per official record.

Sh. Harpreet Sagar, S. D. E., appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing.

The appellant, Sh. Pawan Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that he has visited the office of the respondent two times but the respondent PIO concerned has not facilitated him to inspect of the official record.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 24.07.2019 at 11:00 A. M. so that the appellant could identify the required information and the Executive Engineer would ensure the presence of the concerned Superintendent or PIO during the inspection of the official record.

The Appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 24.07.2019 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

The respondent-PIO concerned is also directed to supply the information, which would be identified after inspection, to the appellant as per official record by the next date of hearing, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

The case is <u>adjourned to 26th August, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
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Gurmeet Singh S/o Sh. Surmukh Singh, 2072, Bhai Mastan Singh Nagar, Sri MuktsarSahib (Punjab)

...Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Superintending Engineer, Mechanical Circle, PWD B & R, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

Dated: 3rd July.2019

O/o The Secretary to Government of Punjab PWD (B & R), Punjab Civil Secretariat, Sector -1, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 627 of 2019

Present: Sh. Gurmeet Singh, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 14.05.2019 and Sh. Malkiat Singh, Executive

Engineer-cum-APIO, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO and submitted a copy of reply vide letter no. 544 dated 12.04.2019, showing that the requisite information, consisting of two pages, has already been supplied to the Appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh through registered post. However, he could not produce any proof of having sent the required information to the Appellant through registered post. Accordingly, the respondent PIO concerned was directed to submit a copy of the postal receipt in the Commission, showing that the requisite information has been sent to the Appellant through registered post and the Appellant, was advised to confirm whether he has received the required information or not.

The appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that through RTI request he has demanded circular of fixing of rates for monthly expenditures of petrol and repair for Government official Vehicles and he has received the information pertains to other circles except office of S.D.O./Executive Engineer, Mechanical Circle, P.W.D. (B&R), Patiala itself.

Neither the respondent PIO nor his representative is present in today's hearing.

Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply complete Information as per queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, before the next date of hearing, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act. The PIO concerned is also directed to submit the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant, on the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 26th August, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Naresh Kumar

S/o Sh. Hari Krishan, R/o N.H. 318, Mohalla Neela Mahal, P.O. New Green Market, New Dana Mandi, Jalandhar - 144008 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

(Regd. Post) O/o The Regional Transport Authority,

Jalandhar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar(Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 738 of 2019

Present: Sh. Naresh Kumar, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 14.05.2019 and the PIO/Respondent was directed to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post and to appear in person along with the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant. A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was also issued in the name Public Information Officer of office of Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar.

The appellant, Sh. Naresh Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Neither the respondent PIO nor his representative is present in today's hearing. He was also not present in the last date of hearing, held on 14.05.2019. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability for today's hearing. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the Respondent/ PIO.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after a period of seven months.

In view of all the above and finding guilty of violation under Section 20 (1) as per provisions of the RTI Act and making delay in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker, a penalty of Rs. 2500/- (Rupees Two Thousand and Five Hundred Only) is imposed upon Public Information Officer office of Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar which is to be deposited into the Treasury and a copy of challan receipt be submitted to the Commission on the next date of hearing.

The amount of penalty will be deposited in the Treasury of Punjab Government under the head.....

Major Head .. 0070 -Other Administrative Services

Sub-Major Head .. 60 - Other Services
Minor Head .. 800 - Other Receipts

Sub-Head .. 86 - Fee under the Right to Information Act, 2005

Detailed Head .. 0070 Other Administrative Services

60 Other Services- 800- Other Receipts-

86- Fees under the Right to Information Act, 2005

Last opportunity is given to the PIO/Respondent to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post before the next date of hearing. The PIO concerned is also directed to appear in person along with the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant on the next date of hearing. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

A copy of this order be sent <u>through registered post</u> to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to ensure compliance of this order.

The case is <u>adjourned to 27th August, 2019 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Dated: 3rd July,2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Regd. Post) The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,

Sector 17, Chandigarh

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... Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer.

(Regd. Post) O/o The Regional Transport Authority,

Jalandhar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

Dated: 3rd July,2019

O/o The Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar(Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 739 of 2019

Present: Sh. Naresh Kumar, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 14.05.2019 and the PIO/Respondent was directed to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post and to appear in person along with the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant. A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was also issued in the name Public Information Officer of office of Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar.

The appellant, Sh. Naresh Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Neither the respondent PIO nor his representative is present in today's hearing. He was also not present in the last date of hearing, held on 14.05.2019. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability for today's hearing. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the Respondent/ PIO.

Last opportunity is given to the PIO/Respondent to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post before the next date of hearing. The PIO concerned is also directed to appear in person along with the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant on the next date of hearing. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

The case is <u>adjourned to 26th August, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
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Balvir Singh Sidhu S/o Late Sh. Chuhar Singh Sidhu,

Chamber No. 1018, Court Complex,

District. Courts, Ludhiana(141001) Punjab)

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Regional Transport Authority,

Sangrur(Punjab)

... Respondents

...Complainant

Complaint Case No. 172 of 2019

Present: Sh. Balvir Singh Sidhu, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 14.05.2019 and a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was also issued in the name Public Information Officer of office of Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur.

The complainant, Sh. Balvir Singh Sidhu, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Neither the respondent PIO nor his representative is present in today's hearing. He was also not present in the last date of hearing, held on 14.05.2019. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability for today's hearing. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the Respondent/ PIO.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after a period of six months.

In view of all the above and finding guilty of violation under Section 20 (1) as per provisions of the RTI Act and making delay in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker, a penalty of Rs. 2500/- (Rupees Two Thousand and Five Hundred Only) is imposed upon Public Information Officer office of Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur, which is to be deposited into the Treasury and a copy of challan receipt be submitted to the Commission on the next date of hearing.

The amount of penalty will be deposited in the Treasury of Punjab Government under the head.....

Major Head .. 0070 -Other Administrative Services

Sub-Major Head .. 60 - Other Services Minor Head .. 800 - Other Receipts

Sub-Head ... 86 - Fee under the Right to Information Act, 2005

Detailed Head .. 0070 Other Administrative Services

60 Other Services- 800- Other Receipts-

86- Fees under the Right to Information Act, 2005

A copy of this order be sent through registered post to State Transport

Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to ensure compliance of this order.

The case is adjourned to 26th August, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.

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(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
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(Regd. Post) The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector 17, Chandigarh

Dated: 3rd July,2019

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Balvir Singh Sidhu

S/o Late Sh. Chuhar Singh Sidhu, Chamber No. 1018, Court Complex, District. Courts, Ludhiana(141001) Punjab)

...Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer.

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m O/o}$ The Regional Transport Authority,

Mansa(Punjab)

... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 173 of 2019

Present: Sh. Balvir Singh Sidhu, the appellant in person.

Sh. Gurwinder Singh, Data Entry Operator, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 14.05.2019 and the respondent PIO of office of

Regional Transport Authority, Mansa, was directed to represent this case in person alongwith relevant official record on the fixed date of hearing.

The complainant, Sh. Balvir Singh Sidhu, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent.

Sh. Gurwinder Singh, Data Entry Operator, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 82 dated 02.07.2019, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the complainant, Sh. Balvir Singh Sidhu vide letter no. 113 dated 27.11.2018. Through that reply, at point no. 01 of the RTI request, the complainant has been intimated that as per official record no list has been prepared and at point no. 02 of the RTI request, the complainant has been intimated that information sought for by him is voluminous in nature, moreover, he is demanding only NOC certificates attached with each file of registration of Motor Vehicle for the period from the year 2008 to 2018 and each file contains all other personal details other than NOC certificate, hence could not be supplied. Also the information for the period from 2012 to 2017 regarding Vahan – 1 is available with the office of National Informatic Centre, Chandigarh only. It, alongwith a copy of reply dated 27.11.2018, is taken on record.

The respondent PIO is directed to re-submit his reply, which has been given vide letter no. 113 dated 27.11.2018, in the shape of affidavit, before or on the next date of hearing and also send a copy in advance to the complainant though registered post and produce a copy of the postal receipt in the Commission on the next date of hearing to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.

The case is adjourned to 27th August, 2019 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Dated: 3rd July.2019