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Shri Hakam Singh Gill (N.R.I.), M : 9592314940
Village Badala, Tehsil Kharar,
Distt SAS Nagar

.....Appellant/Complainant

Versus

[Reg Post.] Public Information Officer
O/o EO, Nagar Palika,
Kharar, Distt SAS Nagar.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 361 of 2020
Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Complainant: Shri Hakam Singh Gill
Respondent: Absent

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference of previous order dated 19.11.2020 vide which an opportunity was given to respondent PIO, to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. An email from the respondent authority dated 03.12.2020 is received by the bench of undersigned vide which it is mentioned that sought information has been provided to the appellant on 03.12.2020. This email is taken on record with all supporting enclosures.
3. Complainant, Shri Hakam Singh Gill, states that the respondent authority has been supplied partial information and he is not satisfied with the same.
4. In the view of above the appellant is advised to **point out discrepancies** (in written form) in the information so supplied by the respondent, within 20 days from the issue of this order under intimation to the commission. The respondent shall make good the deficiencies, in case the same pointed out by the appellant.

Another opportunity is given to both the parties to present the case on next date of hearing positively, failing to which the case would be decided on merit basis.

5. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **08.02.2021 through CISCO WEBEX at 11:00 A.M.**

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6. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh
Dated: 06.01.2021

(Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)
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Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa
SCO No 88, District Shopping center,
Ranjeet Avenue, Amritsar.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer/APIO
O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar

Reg. Post Sh. Ravinder Kumar (XEN)
O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority
O/o Executive Officer,
Improvement Trust, Amritsar

Respondents

Appeal Case No.: 3587 of 2019
Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Appellant: Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa
Respondent: Sh. Ravinder Kumar (XEN) (9988503377) (On telephone call)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference of previous order dated 19.11.2021 vide which
 - a.) Respondent PIO, Sh. Ravinder Kumar pleaded that the sought information is pertaining to ward no. 13, 14 and 15, among which information pertaining to ward no. 14 has been provided and rest are likely to be supplied very soon.
 - b.) **Penalty of Rs.5,000/-** and in the order dated 21.09.2020 **compensation of Rs.2000/-** was imposed on PIO Sh. Ravinder Kumar with the directions to duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof before the next date of hearing. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.

Written Submission done by Respondent Authority via email dated 06.01.2021 vide which copy of chalan is attached.
2. Respondent Sh. Ravinder Kumar pleaded that with the compliance of the previous order he has **deposited the penalty amount of Rs. 5000/-** in Government treasury and **has also supplied the pending information pertaining to ward no. 13 and 15**. He further added that due to some clerical mistake from his side **compensation amounting Rs. 2000/- has not been deposited** in appellant's account which he will be deposit before 14.01.2021 with immediate effect.
3. On this, appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa contended that the information pertaining to point no. 2 of RTI application {i.e. **certified copies of measurement Book (M.B)**} is still pending.
4. In the view of above the respondent authority is directed to provide the pending information pertaining to point no. 2 only as discussed above. The compensation amount of **RS.2000/-** must be paid by the concerned PIO through cheque and demand draft in favour of appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa from the account of public authority and not from individual account.
5. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **08.02.2021 through CISCO WEBEX at 11:00 A.M.** (**Steps: Install Cisco Webex< Click on JOIN MEETING< Write Meeting number – 918232900**)
6. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2020

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First Appellate Authority
O/o Executive Officer,
Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.: 3593 of 2019

Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Appellant: Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa
Respondent: Absent

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference of previous order dated, **27.01.2020, 19.02.2020, 16.06.2020, 05.08.2020, 07.08.2020, 13.08.2020, 21.09.2020 & 19.11.2020**. In last order dated 19.11.2020 Penalty of **Rs.5,000/-** is imposed on PIO Sh. Vikram Singh and in order dated 21.09.2020 **compensation of Rs.2000/-** was imposed with the directions to duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof before the next date of hearing. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. Appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa states that no information has been supplied by the respondent authority so far.
3. The Commission observed that despite imposition of Compensation on the PIO is absent irrespective of the nuances of the RTI Act.
4. Viewing the absence of respondent PIO and **non-implementation of previous orders of the Commission it is found that violation of the RTI Act has occurred number of times by the concerned respondent authority.**
5. Commission has taken a serious view against this lapse on part of the concerned Public information officer and has directed the Drawing and Distributing officer (**Sh. Harinder Singh Chahal Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Amritsar**) to recover the penalty and compensation amount from the salary of concerned PIO and send a compliance report to the Commission positively before the next date of hearing.
6. Penalty amount to be deposited in the Government treasury under head **0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act.**
7. The compensation amount of **RS.2000/-** must be paid by the concerned PIO through cheque and demand draft in favour of appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa from the account of public authority and not from individual account.

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8. A strict warning is issued to the PIO for not providing any reply to the appellant within the timeline prescribed under the Act. The **PIOs are warned to be careful with the timeline and refrain from delaying replies**. The information sought by the appellant is specific and should be replied to categorically. The PIO is directed to provide a point wise reply, as enumerated in the RTI Application within 20 days from the date of receipt of this order. **A compliance report to this effect shall be sent to the Commission by the PIO duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof (i.e of having compensated the appellant and copy of challan of penalty imposed) for record immediately.**
9. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **09.02.2021 through CISCO WEBEX at 11:00 A.M.**
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(Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)
State Information Commissioner

Reg. Post **Sh. Vikaram Singh**
O/o Improvement Trust,
Amritsar

Reg. Post
Sh. Harinder Singh Chahal (Executive Officer)
O/o Improvement Trust,
Amritsar

(To ensure the compliance of this order before next date of hearing)

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Respondents

Appeal Case No.: 3594 of 2019
Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Appellant: Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa
Respondent: Sh. Anurag Sharma (JE) (7973416751)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference of previous order dated, **27.01.2020, 19.02.2020, 16.06.2020, 05.08.2020, 07.08.2020, 13.08.2020, 21.09.2020 & 19.11.2020**. In last order dated 19.11.2020 Penalty of **Rs.5,000/-** is imposed on PIO Sh. Raminder Pal Singh and in order dated 21.09.2020 **compensation of Rs.2000/-** was imposed with the directions to duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof before the next date of hearing. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
2. Respondent Sh. Anurag Sharma pleaded that the sought information has been provided to the appellant and he further added that compensation and penalty amount has still to be deposited.
3. On this, appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa **acknowledged the receiving of sought information and is satisfied with the same.**
4. In view of above this case is **only left for the compliance of the compensation of RS.2000/-.** and **Penalty of Rs. 5000/ -.**
5. The compensation amount must be paid by the concerned PIO through cheque and demand draft in favour of appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa from the account of public authority and not from individual account.
6. Penalty amount to be deposited in the Government treasury under head **0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act.**
7. **. A compliance report to this effect shall be sent to the Commission by the PIO duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof (i.e of having compensated the appellant and copy of challan of penalty imposed) for record immediately.**

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8. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **09.02.2021** through **CISCO WEBEX** at **11:00 A.M.**

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Chandigarh
Dated: 06.01.2021

(Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)
State Information Commissioner

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O/o Improvement Trust,
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Sh. Harinder Singh Chahal (Executive Officer)
O/o Improvement Trust,
Amritsar

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order before next date of hearing)