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Sh.Manjit Singh S/o S.Kuldip Singh Shop No.23, Central Market, Opp. Water Tank, Gill Road, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

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Public Information Officer,O/o Director, Public Instruction (SE),Pb.,

Ajitgarh (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority-cum-O/o Director, Public Instruction(SE),Pb. Ajitgarh (Mohali).

.....Respondent

AC.No. 4013 of 2019

PRESENT: (i) Sh.Manjit Singh, the Appellant..

(ii) Sh. Amarjit Singh, Supdt. APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER:

- This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.12.2019.
- 2. At today's hearing, the appellant states that till date, final enquiry report has not been received from the respondent.
- 3. The points raised by the appellant in his RTI application were again reviewed by the Bench. The issues raised were discussed point-wise and both the appellant and the respondent were heard at length. The APIO had brought along original documents and file notings related to the RTI application of the appellant. The Bench perused the original documents. It was ensured that photocopy of the same duly authenticated was provided to the appellant.
- 4. The appellant however even after receiving complete information kept insisting on information on action taken on the enquiry report. The respondent stated that nothing beyond information provided existed on official records.
- 5. The appellant again remarked that he is not satisfied with this information.
- 6. The PIO is, therefore, directed to file an affidavit duly attested by the notary within one week stating that information as available on their office records has been supplied to the appellant and no information has been withheld.
- 7. With these directions to the PIO, the instant appeal case is hereby, **disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Mansab Ali, Head Master, Mohalla Maler, Tellian Wala Malerkotla.

.....Appellant.

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Public Information Officer,

O/o Headmaster, Islamia High School, Binjoli Khurd, Malerkotla, Distt. Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority

Chief Executive Officer, Punjab Wakf Board, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

A.C.No. 4044 of 2019

PRESENT: (i) None is present on behalf of the Appellant

(ii) Mr. Tayyeb Husan Falahi, Education Development Officer, Punjab Wakf Board,

PIO/Respondent.

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.12.2019.
- The appellant is absent for today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission.
 He was also absent during the last hearing.
- 3. The PIO Sh. Tayyeb Hasan Falahi is appearing in person files reply stating that the appellant had pointed out some discrepancies vide letter dated 20.12.2019. He further states that he has brought the information after addressing the discrepancies pointed out by the appellant.
- 4. The respondent is directed to send the information to the appellant by registered post today itself under intimation to the Commission as the appellant is absent.
- 5. With these directions to the PIO, the instant Appeal case is, hereby, **disposed off** and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Amanpreet Singh, Advocate, Distt:Courts, Hoshiarpur.

.. ... Appellant

Public Information Officer.

O/o Commissioner of Excise & Taxation Deptt., Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner of Excise & Taxation Deptt., Patiala.

.....Respondent

AC.No. 3958 of 2019

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PRESENT: (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) Sh. Ram Singh, APIO is present on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 09.12.2019.
- 2. The appellant is absent. Intimation has been received from the appellant in the Commission by e-mail stating that due to Bharat Band, he is unable to appear before the Commission.
- 3. Sh. Ram Singh, APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO o/o Commissioner of Excise and Taxation Deptt, Patiala states that complete information as per the directions given by the Commission during the last hearing, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 01.01.2020. The Bench crosschecked the same from the appellant on telephone. The appellant expressed his satisfaction over the same and gave his consent to close the case.
- 4. The request made by the Appellant is acceded to. No further intervention of the Commission is called for. As such, the case is **closed** and **disposed off**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Mehar Chand, H.No.128, Gali No.3/3, Green Avenue, Bibi Wala Raod, Bathinda.

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.....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Govt. Sr. Secondary School, Gobindpura, District Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Govt. Sr. Secondary School, Gobindpura, District Bathinda.

.....Respondent

AC.No. 4000 of 2019

PRESENT: None of the parties.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.12.2019.
- 2. Today again both the parties are absent without any intimation to the Commission, in spite of the opportunity given by the Commission.
- 3. Last opportunity is given to the appellant to follow up the case before the Commission by appearing in person, failing which decision would be taken in his absentia based on documents available on file. The Bench also directed the PIO to appear in person on the next date of hearing, failing which action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 would be initiated.
- 4. The matter is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **12.02.2020 at 11.30 AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh.Kimti Lal,S/o Sh. Amar Nath, H.No.346, Urban Estate, Phase-1, Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Tehsildar, Jalandhar-1, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Jalandhar.

...Respondent

AC.No.3966 of 2019

PRESENT: None of the parties.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 02.12.2019.
- 2. Today again both the parties are absent without any intimation to the Commission, in spite of the opportunity given by the Commission.
- 3. Last opportunity is given to the appellant to follow up the case before the Commission by appearing in person, failing which decision would be taken in his absentia based on documents available on file. The Bench also directed the PIO to appear in person on the next date of hearing, failing which action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 would be initiated.
- 4. The matter is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **12.02.2020** at **11.30** AM. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shh. Gurbachan Singh S/o Shri Teja Singh H.No.5, Street No.4, Nrear D.D. High School, Sher Shah Suri Road, Khadwala, Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o District Education Officer (SE), Gurdaspur.. First Appellate Authority-cum-O/o District Education Officer (SE),

Gurdaspur..

.....Respondent

AC.No. 4026 of 2019

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PRESENT: None of the parties.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.12.2019.
- 2. The appellant and the PIO are absent for today's hearing. They were also absent for the pervious hearing on 04.12.2019.
- 3. Intimation has been received from the respondent in the Commission vide diary no.189 dated 03.01.2020 stating that the information as sought by the appellant has already been supplied to him vide letter dated 23.11.2019 by registered post. They have also stated that confirmation has been received from the appellant of having received the information and his satisfaction with the information provided.
- 4. After perusing the record as available on the file, it is ascertained that the information has been received by the appellant. The appellant is absent for today's hearing and was also absent during the last hearing. No deficiencies have been pointed out by the appellant to the Commission.
- 5. No further intervention of the Commission is called for. **The appeal is disposed off** and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Jasbir Singh Village Bholapur Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh District Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer.

O/o Principal Secretary to the Government of Punjab, Department of Local Govt. Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Principal Secretary to the Government of Punjab, Department of Local Govt. Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

AC.No. 4031 of 2019

PRESENT:

- (i) Sh. Jasbir Singh, the appellant.
- (ii) Sh.Tarsem Lal, Senior Assistant, O/o Director, Local Govt., Chandigarh, on behalf of PIO/Respondent

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.12.2019.
- 2. The appellant appears in person and states that till date, no information has been provided to him by the respondent.
- 3. Sh. Tarsem Lal, Sr. Assistant is appearing on behalf of the PIO, in the previous hearing on 04.12.2019, had confirmed sending the information to the appellant twice by registered post. During the current hearing, on insistence of the appellant that he had received no information whatsoever, the issues raised in the RTI application were reviewed in detail by the Bench. It emerged that the information sent by the respondent earlier on two occasions related to another RTI application. The respondent then appeared to have no knowledge of the present RTI application dated 01.07.2019 and said that the same had not been received in their office at all. The plea of the respondent shows the attitude of the department of Local Govt., Punjab to the RTI applications as such. The same is viewed adversely by the Bench.

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AC.No. 4031 of 2019

In view of the above, PIO- Sh. Jaspal Singh, Superintendent O/o Local Govt., Punjab is directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the appellant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered. In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

6. The matter to come up for further rehearing now on **05.02.2020** at **11.30AM**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh 08.01.2020 ((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma, (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

CC: Sh. Jaspal Singh, PIO-cum-Superintendent O/o Principal Secy., Local Govt., Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector:35, Chandigarh. (Regd. Post)

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Sh. Anil Kumar Singh, VPO: Rahon, Tehsil:Nawanshahar, Distt:SBS Nagar.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Regional Deputy Director, Local Govt., Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-O/o Regional Deputy Director, Local Govt., Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

AC.No. 4041 of 2019

PRESENT: (i) Sh. Anil Kumar Singh, the appellant.

(ii) Sh. Vinod Kumar, Clerk o/o Regional Deputy Director, Local Govt., Jalandhar, on

behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 09.12.2019.

- 2. The appellant states that he has received the information except point no. 3 of his RTI application.
- 3. Sh. Vinod Kumar, Clerk is appearing on behalf of the PIO states the same will be supplied to the appellant within a week.
- 4. The PIO is directed to provide the information to the appellant pertaining to point no.3 of the RTI application within a week under intimation to the Commission. He is also directed to file an affidavit in the Commission within one week stating that the information which has been provided to the appellant is complete, correct and authentic. The Bench directed the PIO that the same be done, within a week, failing which action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated.
- 5. With these directions to the PIO, the instant Appeal Case is, hereby, **disposed off** and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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