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Shri Jasbir Singh,
Guru Nanak Nagar,
Vill. Bolapur Jhabewal,
PO Ramgarh, Distt. Ludhiana.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

Remanded Back
First Appellate Authority
O/o Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

CC No.562/2021

Present: (i) **Shri Jasbir Singh, Complainant.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

ORDER

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI application is dated 29.12.2020 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 04.05.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.09.2021 through V.C. in D.C. office, Ludhiana. However, the hearing was postponed to 09.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex by intimating all concerned through telephone. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Jasbir Singh, complainant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that no information has been received by him yet.
3. The PIO O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana has also not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. As such, the version of the PIO cannot be heard.
4. The Bench observes that the complainant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant.

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5. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

6. The instant matter is now remanded back to the First Appellate Authority i.e. **Shri Gulshan Kumar, Estate Officer, GLADA, Ludhiana**. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

8. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
09.09.2021**

Sd/-
**(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Copy to (By Regd. Post):

**First Appellate Authority
Shri Gulshan Kumar,
Estate Officer, GLADA
Ludhiana.**

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Shri Bittu S/o Shri Om Kumar,
Vill. Bolapur Jhabewal,
Post Office Ramgarh,
Distt. Ludhiana-141123.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

Remanded Back

First Appellate Authority
O/o Estate Officer,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

... Respondents

CC No.539/2021

Present: (i) **Smt. Sukhrinder Kaur, on behalf of the Complainant.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

ORDER

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI application is dated 17.03.2021 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 30.04.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.09.2021 through V.C. in D.C. office, Ludhiana. However, the hearing was postponed to 09.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex by intimating all concerned through telephone. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Smt. Sukhrinder Kaur comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the complainant. She states that no information has been received by the complainant yet.
3. The PIO O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana has also not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. As such, the version of the PIO cannot be heard.
4. The Bench observes that the complainant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant.

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5. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

6. The instant matter is now remanded back to the First Appellate Authority i.e. **Shri Gulshan Kumar, Estate Officer, GLADA, Ludhiana**. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

7. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
09.09.2021**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Distt. Ludhiana-141123.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

**Remanded Back
First Appellate Authority**
O/o Estate Officer,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

CC No.551/2021

Present: (i) **Smt. Sukhrinder Kaur, on behalf of the Complainant.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

ORDER

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI application is dated 17.03.2021 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 30.04.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.09.2021 through V.C. in D.C. office, Ludhiana. However, the hearing was postponed to 09.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex by intimating all concerned through telephone. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Smt. Sukhrinder Kaur comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the complainant. She states that no information has been received by the complainant yet.
3. The PIO O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana has also not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. As such, the version of the PIO cannot be heard.
4. The Bench observes that the complainant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant.

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5. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

6. The instant matter is now remanded back to the First Appellate Authority i.e. **Shri Gulshan Kumar, Estate Officer, GLADA, Ludhiana**. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

7. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
09.09.2021**

Sd/-
**(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Baljeet Singh, Civil Engineer,
RTI Activist, # 64-H, BRS Nagar,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2918 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Jasbir Singh, Sanitary Inspector, Health Branch,M.C. Ludhiana
on behalf of the respondent.**

ORDER:

(Heard through Cisco Webex/On Mobile Phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 29.06.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.09.2021 through V.C. in D.C. office, Ludhiana. However, the hearing was postponed to 09.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex by intimating all concerned through telephone. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Baljeet Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing Cisco Webex.
3. Shri Jasbir Singh, Sanitary Inspector, Health Branch, M.C. Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that the information has been provided to the appellant by hand on 03.09.2020 and he has also acknowledged the same.
4. Shri Baljeet Singh, appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He confirms the receipt of information to his satisfaction and also gives consent to close the case.

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AC No.2918/2021

4. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
09.09.2021

Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))
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Shri Sohan Singh
S/o Shri Sucha Singh
R/o Village Bara,
PO Pathreri Jattan,
Tehsil & Distt. Roopnagar.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub Divisional Officer,
Sub Division, PSPCL, Sukhrampur,
District Roopnagar.

Remanded Back

First Appellate Authority
Chief Engineer (South)
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.
(PSPCL), Patiala..

... Respondents

CC No.549/2021

Present: (i) **Complainant- absent.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 19.02.2021 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 30.04.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.09.2021 through V.C. in D.C. office, Ludhiana. However, the hearing was postponed to 09.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex by intimating all concerned through telephone. Accordingly, the case was scheduled to be heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Sohan Singh, complainant has not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex.

3. The PIO O/o Sub Divisional Officer, Sub Division, PSPCL, Sukhrampur, District Roopnagar has also not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO.

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4. The Bench observes that the appellant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant.

5. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

6. The instant matter is now remanded back to the First Appellate Authority i.e **Shri R.S. Saini, Chief Engineer (South), PSPCL, Patiala**. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

7. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
09.09.2021
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First Appellate Authority
Shri R.S. Saini,
Chief Engineer (South),
PSPCL, Patiala

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Shri Sarabjeet Singh
S/o Sh.Jarnail Singh
Village Pathreri Rangran,
PO Pathreri Jattan,
Tehsil & Distt. Roopnagar.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub Divisional Officer,
Sub Division, PSPCL, Sukhrampur,
District Roopnagar.

Remanded Back
First Appellate Authority
Chief Engineer (South)
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.
(PSPCL), Patiala..

... Respondents

CC No.529/2021

Present: (i) **Complainant- absent .**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 16.03.2021 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 29.04.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.09.2021 through V.C. in D.C. office, Ludhiana. However, the hearing was postponed to 09.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex by intimating all concerned through telephone. Accordingly, the case was scheduled to be heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Sarabjeet Singh, complainant has not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex.
3. The PIO O/o Sub Divisional Officer, Sub Division, PSPCL, Sukhrampur, District Roopnagar has also not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO.

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4. The Bench observes that the appellant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant.

5. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

6. The instant matter is now remanded back to the First Appellate Authority i.e **Shri R.S. Saini, Chief Engineer (South), PSPCL, Patiala**. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

7. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
09.09.2021**

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Shri Raviraj Brinder Singh Bhullar.
Advocate,
Chamber No.56C, Old Bar Complex,
District Courts, Amritsar.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Superintending Engineer,
PSPCL, Tarn Taran..

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Chairman-cum-Managing Director,
PSPCL, Patiala.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No.2298 of 2021

PRESENT : (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Shri Harpreet Singh, Addl.S.E., PSPCL, Tarn Taran
on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER:

(Heard through Cisco Webex/On Mobile Phone)

1. The RTI application is dated 20.06.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 08.10.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.05.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.09.2021 through V.C. in D.C. office, Amritsar. However, the hearing was postponed to 09.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex by intimating all concerned through telephone. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Raviraj Brinder Singh Bhullar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex.
3. Shri Harpreet Singh, Addl. S.E. O/o PIO/Superintending Engineer, PSPCL, Tarn Taran comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that the information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 07.07.2021 by registered post.
4. Shri Raviraj Brinder Singh Bhullar, appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He confirms the receipt of information and gives his consent to close the case.

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AC No.2298/2021

5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
09.09.2021**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**