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Manpreet Singh Aulakh S/o Sh. Devinder Singh. Near Water Works, Village Kailpur, P.O. Dakha, District Ludhiana (Punjab)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The District Excise & Taxation Officer, Central Excise House, F-Block, Rishi Nagar, Jagraon, Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Excise & Taxation Commissioner,
Central Excise House,
F-Block, Rishi Nagar, Jagraon,
Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1667 of 2018

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Present: Sh. Manpreet Singh Aulakh, the applicant in person alongwith Sh. Rakeh Kumar

Gupta, Advocate.

Sh. Gulshan Hurria, State Tax Officer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.02.2019.

Sh. Gulshan Hurria, State Tax Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information/reply has already been supplied to the applicant, Sh. Manpreet Singh Aulakh.

The applicant, Sh. Manpreet Singh Aulakh alongwith Sh. Rakeh Kumar Gupta, Advocate, appeared in today's hearing and expresses his dissatisfaction over the same.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the applicant to inspect the available relevant official record on 18.03.2019 during working hours so that the applicant could identify the information. The applicant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 18.03.2019 during working hours to identify the information.

Both the parties mutually agreed to it during the hearing today.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the applicant after inspection, to him as per official record by the next date of hearing.

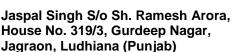
The case is adjourned to 25th March, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.

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Vigilance Bureau, Punjab,

Vigilance Bhawan', Sector 68, S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director,

Vigilance Bureau, Punjab

Vigilance Bhawan', Sector 68, S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1994 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

- i) Sh. Jaswant Singh , A. S. I. O/o Vigilance Bureau(HQ), S. A. S. Nagar ;
- ii) Sh. Anil Rattan, Constable O/o Vigilance Bureau(HQ), S. A. S. Nagar;
- iii) Sh. Raminder Singh, Junior Assistant O/o Vigilance Bureau(Economic Offences Wing), Unit Ludhiana, for respondents.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.02.2019.

The applicant, Sh. Jaspal Singh, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Jaswant Singh, A. S. I. and Sh. Anil Rattan, Constable, both officials of office of Vigilance Bureau(HQ), Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar and Sh. Raminder Singh, Junior Assistant of office of Vigilance Bureau(Economic Offences Wing), Unit Ludhiana, appeared on behalf of the respondent in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that a reply was forwarded by Joint Director(Admn.)-cum-PIO office of Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, vide letter no. 28893 dated 31.07.2018 to Senior Superintendent of Police, Vigilance Bureau, Ludhiana as an enquiry is pending with that office. It is placed in the case-file.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is also found that the respondent PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 2078 dated 13.11.2018 signed by S. S. P., Economic Offences Wing, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, Ludhiana, has intimated that the information sought for by the applicant through his RTI request is regarding an enquiry report on a complaint, which has not been completed yet. It is already placed in the case-file.

In view of the above, the case is <u>disposed of and closed</u> with the directions to respondent PIO that whenever enquiry would be completed, report shall be given to the applicant.

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Jasmer Singh S/o Sh. Kulwant Singh, R/o N.K.H Building, 1 - A, Industrial Area - A Extension, Link Road, Ludhiana - 141003(Punjab)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Central Fire Station, Local Bus Adda Chowk, Clock Tower Road, Lakkar Bazar, Ludhiana - 141008(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/ o The Additional Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2117 of 2018

Vs

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

Sh. Navrang Singh, Fireman, on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 11.02.2019.

The applicant, Sh. Jasmer Singh, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Navrang Singh, Fireman, 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 applicant, Sh. Jasmer Singh.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the applicant, Sh. Jasmer Singh through a letter dated 11.01.2019, which was received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1590 dated 18.01.2019, has intimated the Commission that he has pointed out certain deficiencies in the information supplied to him. It is already placed in the case-file.

On this, Sh. Navrang Singh, Fireman, states that required fee was demanded from the Applicant, so that certified copies of required information could be supplied to him, which has not been deposited by him yet.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the requisite information, as per queries raised by the applicant in his RTI request, to the applicant 'free of cost' within a week from today.

The case <u>disposed of and closed</u> with the directions to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the abovesaid order. The applicant is at liberty to approach the Commission if the respondent does not comply with the orders passed by the Commission.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

11th March, 2019

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Jaswinder Singh S/o Sh. Gurdev Singh, Village Lambhwali, Tehsil Jaito, District Faridkot (Punjab)

.... Appellant

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Public Information Officer, O/o The Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat - Lambhwali, Tehsil -Jaito, District Amritsar (Punjab) District Faridkot (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/ o The Block Development
& Panchayat Officer,
Jaito. District Faridkot (Puniab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2270 of 2018

Present: Sh. Jaswinder Singh, the applicant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 06.02.2019.

The applicant, Sh. Jaswinder Singh, appeared in person in today's hearing, Neither the respondent PIO nor his representative is present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the applicant through a letter dated 12.02.2019, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 3673 dated 15.02.2019, has requested the Commission to allocate this case to another Bench. It is taken on record.

As the applicant has made a request for transferring of the instant appeal case from this Bench to another Bench, I am of the considered view that I must not conduct the proceeding in this case and hence this case-file be sent to the Deputy Registrar for placing it before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

11th March, 2019

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State Information Commissioner

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Manjit Singh S/o Sh. Sohan Singh, House No.388/3, Bahera Road, Patiala (Punjab)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Manager, National Information Centre, Software Company, Pb. Civil Secretariat-1,Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government of Punjab,
Department of Transport,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3323 of 2018

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Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

- i) Sh. Davinder Kumar, Superintendent(Grade-I)-cum-PIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, in person;
- ii) Sh. Gurpal Singh, Superintendent(Grade-II)-cum-APIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, for the respondents.

<u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 11.02.2019.

Sh. Davinder Kumar, Superintendent(Grade-I)-cum-PIO and Sh. Gurpal Singh, Superintendent(Grade-II)-cum-APIO, both officials of office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, appeared in person in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 6387 dated 01.02.2019 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Regional Transport Authority, Patiala, showing that in response to the RTI request, a point-wise reply alongwith information has already been given to the applicant, Sh. Manjit Singh. It is already placed in the case-file.

The applicant, Sh. Manjit Singh, through a letter dated 11.03.2019, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

As I am demitting the office on 31st March, 2019, I am not able to announce next date of hearing in this case and hence this case-file be sent to the Deputy Registrar for placing it before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

11th March, 2019

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State Information Commissioner

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Vs



Manjit Singh S/o Sh. Sohan Singh, House No. 388/3, Bahera Road, Patiala (Punjab)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Manager, National Information Centre, Software Company, Pb. Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/ o The Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab,
Department of Transport,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3324 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

- i) Sh. Davinder Kumar, Superintendent(Grade-I)-cum-PIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, in person;
- ii) Sh. Gurpal Singh, Superintendent(Grade-II)-cum-APIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, for the respondents.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.02.2019.

Sh. Davinder Kumar, Superintendent(Grade-I)-cum-PIO and Sh. Gurpal Singh,

Superintendent(Grade-II)-cum-APIO, both officials of office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, appeared in person in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 640 dated 01.02.2019 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Regional Transport Authority, Patiala, showing that in response to the RTI request, a reply has already been given to the applicant, Sh. Manjit Singh intimating him that the information, sought for by the applicant through RTI request, does not exist in the manner he demands. It is already placed in the case-file. Further, the respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the the supplicant in the applicant, in the manner as it exists in the official record.

The applicant, Sh. Manjit Singh, through a letter dated 11.03.2019, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

As I am demitting the office on 31st March, 2019, I am not able to announce next date of hearing in this case and hence this case-file be sent to the Deputy Registrar for placing it before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

11th March, 2019

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State Information Commissioner

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H. S. Hundal, Advocate, 82, District Courts, S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

.... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Moga (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/ o The Deputy Commissioner , Moga (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2730 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

Sh. Davinder Kumar, Clerk (RTI), on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 12.02.2019.

Sh. Davinder Kumar, Clerk (RTI), appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's

hearing.

The applicant, Sh. H. S. Hundal, Advocate, through a letter dated 11.03.2019, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has requested the Commission to direct the concerned PIO to provide him the complete information and also sought exemption from personal appearance. It is taken on record.

An opportunity is given to the applicant to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 25th March, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.</u>
Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

11th March, 2019

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Om Parkash Bansal, Flat No.17FF, HIG Flats, SST Nagar, Patiala-147001 (Punjab)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Chief Minister, Punjab (O/o C.M. General Branch) Punjab Civil Secretariat-1,Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/ o The Under Secretary(General), Punjab,
(O/o C.M. General Branch)
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2609 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

i) Sh. Sanjay Tondon, Senior Vigilance Officer O/o Local Govt., Pb.;

Vs

ii) Sh. Manpreet Singh, Senior Assistant O/o Local Govt., Pb., for the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 13.02.2019.

The applicant, Sh. Om Parkash Bansal, through a letter dated 10.03.2019, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment in this case. Through that letter, he has also intimated the Commission that he has not received any information/correspondence since the previous date. It is taken on record.

In compliance to the order dated 13.02.2019, Sh. Sanjay Tondon, Senior Vigilance
Officer and Sh. Manpreet Singh, Senior Assistant, both officials of office of Local Government,
Punjab, who appeared in today's hearing, submit a point-wise reply vide letter no. 871-873/421 dated
08.03.2019. It is taken on record.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to send the abovesaid reply to the applicant through registered post at his residential address.

The case is <u>disposed of and closed</u> with the directions to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the abovesaid order.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties with a copy to Chief Vigilance Officer of office of Director, Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh.

11th March, 2019

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State Information Commissioner

The Chief Vigilance Officer, O/o The Director, Local Government, Punjab, Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh (U. T.)

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Sandeep Singh S/o Sh. Karanveer Singh, House No. 136, Sector 10, Ambala City (Haryana)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/ o The Deputy Commissioner, Patiala (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3496 of 2018

Vs

Present: Sh. Sandeep Singh, the applicant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 13.02.2019.

The applicant, Sh. Sandeep Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, 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.

As I am demitting the office on 31st March, 2019, I am not able to announce next date of hearing in this case and hence this case-file be sent to the Deputy Registrar for placing it before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

11th March, 2019

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Achhru Bansal, Advocate, Gayatri Bhawan, State Bank Street, Samana, District -Patiala-147001 (Punjab)

.... Appellant

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Public Information Officer, O/o The Tehsildar, Samana, Distt. - Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate Patiala (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3653 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

- i) Sh. Sandeep Singh, Tehsildar, Samana in person;
- ii) Sh. Jatinder Pal Singh, Registry Clerk, for the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 13.02.2019 and the respondent PIO was directed to facilitate the applicant to inspect the relevant official record during working hours.

The applicant, Sh. Achhru Bansal, Advocate, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Sandeep Singh, Tehsildar, Samana, appeared in person alongwith Sh. Jatinder Pal Singh, Registry Clerk, in today's hearing, orally intimate the Commission that no inspection has been the relevant official record

The applicant is advised to visit the office of the respondent concerned to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on any day during working hours.

As I am demitting the office on 31st March, 2019, I am not able to announce next date of hearing in this case and hence this case-file be sent to the Deputy Registrar for placing it before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for appropriate orders.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Rajinder Kumar S/o Sh. Mehar Chand, Ward No.2, Supreeme Enclave, Near Vishavkara Bhawan, Link Road, Mansa-151505(Patiala)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, State Vigilance Bureau, Pb., Bathinda (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/ o The Director, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab,

Vigilance Bhawan', Sector 68, S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3671 of 2018

Vs

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

- i) Sh. Jaswant Singh, A. S. I. O/o Vigilance Bureau(HQ), S. A. S. Nagar;
- ii) Sh. Anil Rattan, Constable O/o Vigilance Bureau(HQ), S. A. S. Nagar;
- iii) Sh. Harinder Singh, A. S. I. O/o Vigilance Bureau, Unit Mansa, for respondents.

<u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 13.02.2019.

The applicant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Jaswant Singh, A. S. I. and Sh. Anil Rattan, Constable, both officials of office of Vigilance Bureau(HQ), Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar and Sh. Harinder Singh, A. S. I. of office of Vigilance Bureau, Unit Mansa, appeared on behalf of the respondent in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 1301 dated 10.01.2019 signed by Joint Director(Crime)-cum- Public Information Officer, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar, which was received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1062 dated 11.01.2019, showing that the same reply was also sent to the applicant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar through registered post intimating him that information sought for by him is regarding an enquiry report which is under process and the same is exempted from disclosure under Section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act. It is already placed in the case-file.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is also found that the respondent PIO has sent another reply vide letter no. 244 dated 15.01.2019 signed by Senior Superintendent of Police, State Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, Bathinda Range, Bathinda, which was received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1328 dated 16.01.2019 intimating that information sought for by the applicant is regarding an enquiry report which is under process and the same is exempted from disclosure under Section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act. It is also placed in the case-file.

In view of the above, the case is <u>disposed of and closed</u> with the directions to respondent PIO that whenever enquiry would be completed, report shall be given to the applicant.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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11th March, 2019 State Information Commissioner

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Vs



Rajinder Kumar S/o Sh. Mehar Chand, Ward No.2, Supreeme Enclave, Near Vishavkara Bhawan, Link Road, Mansa-151505(Patiala)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Chief Director-cum-A.D.G.P.

State Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, Vigilance Bhawan',

Sector 68, S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/ o The Chief Director-cum-A.D.G.P, State Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, Vigilance Bhawan', Sector 68, S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3816 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

- Sh. Jaswant Singh, A. S. I. O/o Vigilance Bureau(HQ), S. A. S. Nagar;
- ii) Sh. Anil Rattan, Constable O/o Vigilance Bureau(HQ), S. A. S. Nagar;
- iii) Sh. Harinder Singh, A. S. I. O/o Vigilance Bureau, Unit Mansa, for respondents.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 13.02.2019.

The applicant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Jaswant Singh, A. S. I. and Sh. Anil Rattan, Constable, both officials of office of Vigilance Bureau(HQ), Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar and Sh. Harinder Singh, A. S. I. of office of Vigilance Bureau, Unit Mansa, appeared on behalf of the respondent in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 1309 dated 10.01.2019 signed by Joint Director(Crime)-cum- Public Information Officer, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1064 dated 11.01.2019, showing that the same reply was also sent to the applicant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar through registered post intimating him that information sought for by him is regarding an enquiry report which is under process and the same is exempted from disclosure under Section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act. It is already placed in the case-file.

In view of the above, the case is <u>disposed of and closed</u> with the directions to respondent PIO that whenever enquiry would be completed, report shall be given to the applicant. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Vs



Rajinder Kumar S/o Sh. Mehar Chand, Ward No.2, Supreeme Enclave, Near Vishavkara Bhawan, Link Road, Mansa-151505(Patiala)

.... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Chief Director-cum-A.D.G.P, State Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, Vigilance Bhawan', Sector 68, S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/ o The Chief Director-cum-A.D.G.P, State Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, Vigilance Bhawan', Sector 68, S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)

.....Respondents

<u>Appeal Case No. 3817 of 2018</u>

Present: None on behalf of the applicant.

- i) Sh. Jaswant Singh , A. S. I. O/o Vigilance Bureau(HQ), S. A. S. Nagar ;
- ii) Sh. Anil Rattan, Constable O/o Vigilance Bureau(HQ), S. A. S. Nagar;
- iii) Sh. Harinder Singh, A. S. I. O/o Vigilance Bureau, Unit Mansa, for respondents.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 13.02.2019.

The applicant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Jaswant Singh, A. S. I. and Sh. Anil Rattan, Constable, both officials of office of Vigilance Bureau(HQ), Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar and Sh. Harinder Singh, A. S. I. of office of Vigilance Bureau, Unit Mansa, appeared on behalf of the respondent in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 1309 dated 10.01.2019 signed by Joint Director(Crime)-cum- Public Information Officer, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1064 dated 11.01.2019, showing that the same reply was also sent to the applicant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar through registered post intimating him that information sought for by him is regarding an enquiry report which is under process and the same is exempted from disclosure under Section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act. It is already placed in the case-file.

In view of the above, the case is <u>disposed of and closed</u> with the directions to respondent PIO that whenever enquiry would be completed, report shall be given to the applicant.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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11th March, 2019

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.... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Registrar, Firms & Societies, Punjab, Near G.P.O., Sector 17, Chandigarh(U.T)

First Appellate Authority O/o The Registrar, Firms & Societies, Punjab, Near G.P.O., Sector 17, Chandigarh(U.T)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 767 of 2018

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Present: Sh. Rohan Sharma, Advocate, on behalf of the applicant.

Sh. Jaswant Rai, Superintendent-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 05.03.2019.

Sh. Rohan Sharma, Advocate, appeared on behalf of the applicant, Sh. Vijay Kumar Singla, in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that on the earlier hearings, held in the Commission on various dates, the representative of the applicant has intimated the Commission that the firm, regarding which the information has been sought for through RTI request, is a partnership firm and its registration number is required and similarly, the representatives of the respondent has intimated the Commission that despite making of lots of efforts, the record pertaining to the information, sought for by the applicant through his RTI request, is not found traceable in the official record.

In compliance to the order dated 05.03.2019, Sh. Jaswant Rai, Superintendent-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply in the shape of an affidavit vide letter dated 11.03.2019 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Registrar, Firms & Societies, Punjab, Chandigarh. He also hands over a copy of the same to the applicant during the hearing in the Commission today. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that through the abovesaid reply, the respondent has intimated the Commission that the record of the registration of partnership firms is being maintained by the office manually and the applicant has not specified the registration number and year of registration of the firm i. e. M/s Shri Ganesh Sales Promotion, moreover, the staff of office has manually checked the huge record of files of partnership firms registered by the office but the file pertaining to registration of above mentioned firm i. e. M/s Shri Ganesh Sales Promotion has not been traced out in the old record despite earnest efforts.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is also found that on the hearing, held on 06.08.2018, Sh. Dwarka Prasad, Senior Assistant, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO and submitted a reply dated 06.08.2018 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Registrar of Firms & Societies, Punjab, Chandigarh, in response to the show cause issued vide orders dated 23.07.2018, which is placed in the case-file.

I have also gone over the reply dated 06.08.2018, sent by the respondent PIO concerned and found that the explanation given by him is genuine. In view of the explanation, the show cause issued to him is dropped.

As no cause of action is left to be taken in this case, the case is disposed of and closed.

(A. S. Chanduraian)
State Information Commissioner

11th March, 2019