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**Jagdev Singh**

**S/o Sh. Ajaib Singh,**

**Village - Burj Littan,**

 **Tehsil - Raikot,**

**District - Ludhiana - 141107 (Punjab) …. Appellant**

 **Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Block Development**

**and Panchayat Officer,**

**Pakhowal, District - Ludhiana (Punjab)**

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o The District Development**

**And Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana (Punjab)**  **..…Respondents**

 **Appeal Case No. 3161 of 2017**

**Present : Sh. Jagdev Singh, the applicant in person.**

 **Sh. Ramesh Kumar, B. D. P. O., in person alongwith Sh. Baljit Singh, Patwari.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 19.06.2018 and a show cause notice under Section 20**

**(1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer of office of Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Pakhowal.**

**In compliance to the order dated 19.06.2018, Sh. Ramesh Kumar, B. D. P. O., who**

**appeared in person alongwith Sh. Baljit Singh, Patwari, in today’s hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, available information has already been supplied to the applicant, Sh. Jagdev Singh.**

**The applicant, Sh. Jagdev Singh, who appeared in person in today’s hearing,**

**his dissatisfaction over the information supplied to him by the respondent PIO.**

 **On this, Sh. Ramesh Kumar seeks an adjournment in this case so that complete information could be supplied to the applicant as per his queries raised by him in his RTI request.**

**After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that Public Information**

**Officer of office of Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Pakhowal, has not filed his reply to show cause issued to him vide orders dated 19.06.2018.**

**Another opportunity is given to Public Information Officer of office of Block**

**Development and Panchayat Officer, Pakhowal, to file his reply to the show cause issued to him vide orders dated 19.06.2018before or on the next date of hearing.**

**The case is adjourned to 1st August, 2018 (Wedneday) at 11:00 A. M.**

**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Parminder Singh**

**S/o Sh. Jeet Ram,**

**Village -Plassi,**

**Post Office- Bhanam,Tehsil – Nangal,**

**District Roopnagar - 140126 (Punjab) ……. Complainant**

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Block Development and**

**Panchayat Officer,**

**Anandpur Sahib (Punjab) ..…Respondent**

 **Complaint Case No. 1227 of 2017**

**Present : Sh. Parminder Singh, the applicant in person.**

**None on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 19.06.2018.**

**The applicant, Sh. Parminder Singh, appeared in person in today’s hearing.**

**After examining the documents placed in the case-file, it is found that in Block**

**Development and Panchayat Officer, Anandpur Sahib has sent a reply vide letter no. 1330 dated 31.05.2018, showing that a reply has already been sent to the applicant, Sh. Parminder Singh. A copy of the same is handed over to the applicant during the hearing in the Commission today. It is also taken on record.**

**I have gone over the queries raised by the applicant, Sh. Parminder Singh, in his RTI**

**request and the response given by the respondent PIO concerned, I found it satisfactory.**

**After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that on the hearing held**

**on 19.06.2018, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer of office of Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Anandpur Sahib.**

**After examining the case-file, it is also found that on the various hearings, held in the**

**Commission in the instant case, various representatives of the respondent have tried to explain the fact that there is no malafide in causing the delay in supplying the requisite information to the information seeker and after considering the same, the show cause issued to the respondent PIO concerned is withdrawn.**

**As no cause of action is required to be taken in this case, the case is disposed of**

**and closed.**

 **Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

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**Lakhvir Singh**

**S/o Sh. Balvir Singh,**

**Village - Nalini,**

**Tehsil & District - Fatehgarh Sahib (Punjab) …….Appellant**

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o Block Development Panchayat Officer,**

**Sirhind,**

**District - Fatehgarh Sahib (Punjab)**

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o The District Development Panchayat Officer,**

**Fatehgarh Sahib (Punjab) ..…Respondents**

 **Appeal Case No. 2473 of 2017**

**Present : Sh. Lakhvir Singh, the applicant in person.**

**Sh. Baljinder Singh, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 19.06.2018.**

**The applicant, Sh. Lakhvir Singh, appeared in person in today’s hearing.**

 **Sh. Baljinder Singh, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent in**

**today’s hearing, seeks an adjournment in this case.**

**Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified**

**copies of the required information to the applicant as per his queries raised by him in his RTI request by or on the next date of hearing as per official record.**

**An opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO comply with the orders dated**

**19.06.2018 passed by the Commission by paying compensation of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the applicant before or on the next date of hearing.**

**The compensation shall be paid by public authority concerned by way of crossed**

**cheque/Demand Draft in the name of Lakhvir Singh. The crossed cheque/Demand Draft shall be made from the bank account of public authority concerned and not from the individual official.**

**The case is adjourned to 23rd July, 2018 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

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**D. C. Gupta, IDAS(Retd.),**

**House No. 778, Urban Estate,**

**Phase-1, Patiala – 147002 (Punjab) …. Applicant**

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Chief Vigilance Officer,**

**O/o The Director, Local Bodies, Punjab,**

**Municipal Bhawan, Sector - 35 A,**

**Chandigarh(U.T)**

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o The Director, Local Bodies, Punjab,**

**Municipal Bhawan, Sector - 35 A,**

 **Chandigarh(U.T) ..…Respondents Appeal Case No. 2698 of 2017**

**Present : None on behalf of the applicant.**

1. **Sh. Sanjay Tondon, Senior Vigilance Officer-cum-PIO, in person :**
2. **Sh. Jasvir Singh, Superintendent (LG – II Branch) ;**
3. **Sh. Ramaninder Singh, Senior Assistant (LG – III Branch) ;**
4. **Sh. Rahul Jain, Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 19.06.2018 and a show cause notice under Section 20 (1)**

**of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer of office of Chief Vigilance Officer, Department of Local Bodies, Punjab.**

**Sh. Sanjay Tondon, Senior Vigilance Officer-cum- Public Information Officer : Sh.**

**Jasvir Singh, Superintendent (LG – II Branch) ; Sh. Ramaninder Singh, Senior Assistant (LG – III Branch) and Sh. Rahul Jain, Senior Assistant, all the above said officials, who appeared in person in today’s hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the applicant, Sh. D. C. Gupta.**

**Sh. Sanjay Tondon, Senior Vigilance Officer-cum-PIO, also states that in compliance**

**to the order dated 19.06.2018, he has already sent a reply to the Commission, in response to the show cause issued to him vide orders dated 19.06.2018.**

 **After examining the documents placed in the case-file, it is found that respondent**

**PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 1060 dated 06.07.2018 signed by Sh. Sanjay Tondon, PIO-cum-Senior Vigilance Officer, Department of Local Government, Punjab, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 13761 dated 06.07.2018, in response to the show cause issued to him vide orders dated 19.06.2018. It is taken on record.**

**Contd…2/-**

**Appeal Case No. 2698 of 2017 -2-**

**Sh. Jasvir Singh, Superintendent of LG – II Branch, also submits a reply vide letter no.**

**1268756/1 dated 11.07.2018 signed by Under Secretary, Local Government – II Branch, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the applicant, Sh. D. C. Gupta. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.**

**Sh. Ramaninder Singh, Senior Assistant of LG – III Branch, orally states that the**

**information sought for by the applicant does not relate with LG – III Branch and has requested to exempt this Branch from the further hearings of this case.**

**After hearing the representatives of various branches of Department of Local**

**Government, Punjab, I am of the considered view that only one official of the concerned branch of the respondent department, be present on the next date of hearing to represent this case and other officials are exempted from personal appearance in further hearings of this case.**

**The applicant, Sh. D. C. Gupta, is not present in today’s hearing.**

**An opportunity is given to the applicant to represent his case in person or through**

**his representative on the next date of hearing.**

**A decision on the reply filed by Sh. Sanjay Tondon in connection with the show cause**

**issued to him, will be taken later on.**

**The case is adjourned to 1st August, 2018 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Rakesh Kumar Mahajan,**

**House No. 229/16,**

**Rishi Dayanand Nagar,**

**Baathwali Gali, Jail Road,**

**Gurdaspur (Punjab) …. Appellant Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.),**

**District Rural Development Agency,**

**Gurdaspur (Punjab)**

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.),**

**District Rural Development Agency,**

**Gurdaspur (Punjab) ..…Respondents**

 **Appeal Case No. 280 of 2018**

**Present : Sh. Rakesh Kumar Mahajan, the applicant in person.**

**Ms. Rajwant Kaur, Accountant, on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 19.06.2018.**

**Ms. Rajwant Kaur, Accountant who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in**

**today’s hearing, that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the applicant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Mahajan. She also states that she has brought the original relevant official record into the Commission. She also hands over a copies of some documents to the applicant, which was demanded by him, during the hearing in the Commission.**

**The applicant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Mahajan, who appeared in person in today’s**

**hearing, states that some of the documents, given to him, are not legible.**

**On this, Ms. Rajwant Kaur states that official record will be made available to the**

**applicant for inspection during the working hours on 16.07.2018 so that the appellant could inspect the relevant official record, identify the information and take legible copies of the same.**

**Both the parties mutually agreed to it.**

**I have gone over the queries raised by the applicant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Mahajan, in**

**his RTI request and the information given to the applicant by the respondent PIO concerned during the hearing, I found it satisfactory.**

**Since the information stands supplied and no cause of action is left in this case, the**

**case is disposed of and closed with the directions to the concerned respondent PIO to supply the legible copies of the information as per his queries raised by him in his RTI request, which would be identified by the applicant after inspection.**

 **Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Amritpal Singh**

**S/o Sh. Darshan Singh,**

**Village - Channu Wala,**

**Tehsil - Bagha Purana,**

**District - Moga (Punjab) …. Appellant**

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Block Development**

**and Panchayat Officer,**

**Bagha Purana,**

**District - Moga (Punjab)**

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o The District Development**

**and Panchayat Officer,**

**Moga (Punjab) ..…Respondents**

 **Appeal Case No. 2717 of 2017**

**Present : Sh. Amritpal Singh, the applicant in person.**

**Sh. Amit Kumar, B. D. P. O., in person.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 20.06.2018 and another opportunity was given to the**

**respondent PIO concerned to comply with the orders dated 14.05.2018 passed by the Commission by paying compensation of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the applicant.**

**The applicant, Sh. Amritpal Singh, appeared in person in today’s hearing.**

 **Sh. Amit Kumar, B. D. P. O., who appeared in person in today’s hearing, seeks an**

**adjournment in this case.**

**Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the**

**orders dated 14.05.2018 passed by the Commission by paying compensation of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand only) to the applicant before or on the next date of hearing.**

**The compensation shall be paid by public authority concerned by way of crossed**

**cheque/Demand Draft in the name of Amritpal Singh. The crossed cheque/Demand Draft shall be made from the bank account of public authority concerned and not from the individual official.**

**The case is adjourned to 31st July, 2018 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Budh Singh**

**S/o Sh. Teja Singh,**

**Dhakki Road,**

**Prem Nagar,**

**Pathankot (Punjab) ……. Complainant**

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police,**

**Pathankot (Punjab) ..…Respondent**

 **Complaint Case No. 19 of 2018**

**Present : Sh. Budh Singh, the applicant in person.**

**Sh. Ram Lal, A. S. I., on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 20.06.2018 and another opportunity was given to the**

**respondent PIO file a status report regarding action taken by him on the complaint filed by the applicant through his RTI request, which must be accompanied with supporting documents as per official record.**

**The applicant, Sh. Budh Singh, appeared in person in today’s hearing.**

 **Sh. Ram Lal, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today’s**

**hearing, submits a status report dated 09.07.2018 appended to which is a report alongwith annexure, send by Superintendent of Darjeeling to Senior Superintendent of Police, Pathankot, regarding this case. He also hands over a set of the same to the applicant during the hearing in the Commission today. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.**

**I have gone over the queries raised by the applicant, Sh. Budh Singh, in his RTI**

**request and the response given by the respondent PIO concerned, I found it satisfactory.**

 **Since the information stands supplied and no cause of action is left in this case, the case is disposed of and closed.**

**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Sunil Mallan, Advocate,**

**Booth No.14 - B,**

**Sector47 - C,**

**Chandigarh - 160047 (U.T.) …. Appellant**

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Deputy Commissioner,**

**Gurdaspur (Punjab)**

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o The Deputy Commissioner,**

**Gurdaspur (Punjab) ..…Respondents**

 **Appeal Case No. 3622 of 2017**

**Present : None on behalf of the applicant.**

**Sh. Jasbir Singh, Clerk O/o R. T. A., Gurdaspur, on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 20.06.2018 and last opportunity was given to the**

**applicant to represent his case in person or through his representative.**

**Sh. Jasbir Singh, Clerk of office of Regional Transport Authority, Gurdaspur, who**

**appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today’s hearing, states that a reply has already been sent to the applicant, Sh. Sunil Mallan through registered post. He also submits s copy of reply vide letter no. 7534 dated 13.06.2018, showing that the requisite information has again been sent to the applicant through registered post. A copy of the same alongwith a copy of supplied information and a copy of postal receipt is taken on record.**

**The applicant, Sh. Sunil Mallan, was not present on the last date of hearing, held on**

**20.06.2018. He is again absent from today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission. 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 by the respondent PIO and does not wish to pursue his case further and hence the case is disposed of and closed.**

**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Sunil Mallan, Advocate,**

**Booth No.14 - B,**

**Sector47 - C,**

**Chandigarh - 160047 (U.T.) …. Appellant**

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Deputy Commissioner,**

**Sangrur (Punjab)**

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o The Deputy Commissioner,**

**Sangrur (Punjab) ..…Respondents**

 **Appeal Case No. 3631 of 2017**

**Present : None on behalf of the applicant.**

**Sh. Ravinder Sharma, Assistant O/o R. T. A., Sangrur, on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 20.06.2018 and last opportunity was given to the**

**applicant to represent his case in person or through his representative.**

**Sh. Ravinder Sharma of office of Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur, who**

**appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today’s hearing, states that a reply has already been sent to the applicant, Sh. Sunil Mallan.**

**The applicant, Sh. Sunil Mallan, was not present on the last date of hearing, held on**

**20.06.2018. He is again absent from today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission. He has also not approached the Commission with any contrary claim in that regard.**

**In view of the above, it is assumed that the applicant has nothing to say for the reply**

**given to him by the respondent PIO and hence the case is disposed of and closed.**

**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Sunil Mallan, Advocate,**

**Booth No.14 - B,**

**Sector47 - C,**

**Chandigarh - 160047 (U.T.) …. Appellant**

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Deputy Commissioner,**

**Pathankot (Punjab)**

**First Appellate Authority,**

**O/o The Deputy Commissioner,**

**Pathankot (Punjab) ..…Respondents**

 **Appeal Case No. 3634 of 2017**

**Present : None on behalf of the applicant.**

1. **Sh. Munshi Ram, Superintendent – II O/o R. T. A., Pathankot ;**
2. **Sh. Jasbir Singh, Clerk O/o R. T. A., Gurdaspur, on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 20.06.2018 and last opportunity was given to the**

**applicant to represent his case in person or through his representative.**

**Sh. Munshi Ram, Superintendent – II of office of Regional Transport Authority,**

**Pathankot and Sh. Jasbir Singh, Clerk of office of Regional Transport Authority, Gurdaspur, who**

**appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today’s hearing, states that a reply has already been sent to the applicant, Sh. Sunil Mallan through registered post. He also submits s copy of reply vide letter no. 7533 dated 13.06.2018, showing that the requisite information has again been sent to the applicant through registered post. A copy of the same alongwith a copy of supplied information and a copy of postal receipt is taken on record.**

**The applicant, Sh. Sunil Mallan, was not present on the last date of hearing, held on**

**20.06.2018. He is again absent from today’s hearing without any intimation to the Commission. 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 by the respondent PIO and does not wish to pursue his case further and hence the case is disposed of and closed.**

**Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Rakeshwar Singh**

**S/o Sh. Sukhdarshan Singh,**

**H. No. 6632,**

**Dashmesh Nagar, Street – 3,**

**SriMuktsar Sahib - 152026 (Punjab) …….Complainant**

 **Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o The Principal Secretary to**

**Government of Punjab,**

**Department of Higher Education,**

**Punjab Civil Secretariat-II, Sector-9, Chandigarh ..…Respondents**

 **Complaint Case No. 730 of 2017**

**Present : Sh. Rakeshwar Singh, the applicant in person.**

**Sh. Jai Singh Rana, Senior Assistant O/o D. P. I.(Colleges), Punjab, on behalf of the respondent.**

**ORDER**

**This case was last heard on 26.06.2018.**

**The applicant, Sh. Rakeshwar Singh, appeared in person in today’s hearing.**

**Sh. Jai Singh Rana, Senior Assistant of office of D. P. I.(Colleges), Punjab, who**

**appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today’s hearing, states that he has brought the requisite information into the Commission to hand it over the same to the applicant, Sh. Rakeshwar Singh. He also hands over a copy of the same to the applicant during the hearing in the Commission today.**

**Sh. Jai Singh Rana, Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent, has made an**

**oral submission during the hearing today, to explain the fact that there is no malafide in causing the delay in supplying the requisite information to the information seeker and after considering the same, the show cause issued to the respondent PIO concerned is dropped.**

**As no cause of action is left in this case, the case is disposed of and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.**

 **(A. S. Chanduraian)**

**11th July, 2018 State Information Commissioner**