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Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Smt.Kanchan Bala D/o Sh.Pawan Kumar # B-12/233, St.No.4, Kamla Colony, Samrala, Distt. Ludhiana-9592722228

....Appellant

Vs.

Public Information Officer, O/o Principal, GSS School(Boys),Lalru District SAS Nagar (Mohali)

First Appellate Authority
O/o District Education Officer(SE)
SAS Nagar (Mohali)

...Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 1275 of 2018

**Present:** The Appellant Smt. Kanchan Bala is present.

Sh.Rajesh Kumar, Sr.Lab. Attendant and Sh.Suresh Kumar, Clerk,GSSS (Boys), Lalru are present on behalf of PIO/Respondent. Pardeep Bedi, Jr.Asstt. O/o DEO (SE), Mohali,

On behalf of First Appellate Authority.

### ORDER

Dated: 14.01.2019

The case was last heard on 13.11.2018, when the Appellant Ms. Kanchan Bala was present and Respondent/PIO, Smt. Parminder Kaur, Principal, GSSS Lalru was present. The respondent/PIO was directed to supply the information to the Appellant except the information relating to medical reimbursement etc. as at Point No.5 & 6, as already directed on the previous date of hearing. The Respondent/PIO assured to supply the same. Last opportunity was given to the Respondent/PIO to supply the information, failing which penalty would be imposed on the next date of hearing.

Today, Sh.Rajesh Kumar, Sr.Lab. Attendant and Sh.Suresh Kumar, Clerk came present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent. They handed over a copy of the information relating to Point No.2 i.e. the salary statements of two Punjabi Teacher working in GSSS (B), Lalru, District Mohali.

The Appellant Smt. Kanchan Bala was asked to see if she is satisfied with the information supplied. On this, she gives in writing that she has received the information and she is satisfied with the information supplied to her.

In view of the above, the Appeal is disposed of and the case is closed. Copies of the order be sent to both the parties.

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**Sh.Jaspal Singh** S/o Sh.Ramesh Arora, H.No.319/3, Ward No.12, Gurdeep Nagar, Jagraon, Ludhiana-142026-M-9815017246.

...Applicant

Versus

**Public Information Officer.** 

O/o EO, Nagar Council, Jagraon, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Director,

Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana. ...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1996 of 2018

**Present:** The Appellant Sh. Jaspal Singh is absent.

Sh.Satyajit, Junior Engineer and Sh.Jatinder Singh, Junior Assistant

are present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

## **ORDER**

Dated: 14.01.2019

The case was last heard on 13.11.2018. The Appellant was present. Sh.Amarpal Singh, Clerk was present on behalf of PIO/Respondents. The Appellant had stated that incomplete information has been supplied to him.

After discussing with both the Appellant and Sh.Amarpal Singh, Representative of PIO, it was directed that the Appellant should visit Municipal Council, Jagraon on 15.11.2018 to whom complete information will be supplied. It was further directed that in case any of the information is not available with the PIO/Respondent, PIO would file an affidavit in the Commission on the next date of hearing as to why the information is not available with the Municipal Council, Jagraon.

Today, the Appellant is absent without any intimation. Sh.Satyajit, Junior Engineer and Sh.Jatinder Singh, Junior Assistant are present on behalf of PIO/Respondent. They hand over a copy of letter dated 03.01.2019 from the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon that the information sought by the Applicant has been supplied. With this letter, a copy of letter of the Applicant has also been enclosed vide which he has shown his satisfaction to the information supplied to him. In this regard, the same information has also been received through e-mail dated 12.01.2019 sent by the Executive Officer, M.C. Jagroan, which is available on file.

In view of the satisfaction shown by the Appellant to the information received by him, the appeal is disposed of and the case is closed.

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Vs.

**Sh. Daya Singh,** S/o Sh. Pritam Singh, R/o Village Majher (Nard), Tehsil Anandpur Sahib, Distt. Roopnagar.

....Applicant

**Public Information Officer.** 

**O/o** Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Anandpur Sahib, Distt. Roopnagar.

First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** Addl. Development Commissioner (Dev.),

Roopnagar. ....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1392 of 2018

**Present:** Sh. Daya Singh, the Appellant along with Advocate Harnek Singh.

None is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

### ORDER

This case was last heard on 13.11.2018. The Appellant Sh.Daya Singh alongwith Sh.Harnek Singh, Advocate were present. Nobody had come present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

It was observed that in spite of assurance given by Sh.Tejinder Pal Singh, Panchayat Secretary on 31.07.2018 that information would be supplied after removing deficiencies, neither information has been supplied to the Appellant nor anybody has come present today.

In view of the above, PIO O/o, BDPO Anandpur Sahib was issued Show Cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. The PIO was also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.

Today, the appellant Sh. Daya Singh is present along with his Advocate Sh. Harnek Singh.

It is observed that PIO/Respondent has failed to come present before the Commission for the second consecutive hearing and complete information has also not been supplied.

In view of the above, a penalty of Rs.2000/- (Rupees two thousand only) is imposed on the concerned PIO/Respondent, o/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Anandpur Sahib. The amount of penalty i.e. Rs.2000/- should be deducted from the salary of the PIO and be deposited in the Govt. Treasury under the head "0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act".

### Appeal Case No. 1392 of 2018

PIO/Respondent is also directed to submit the proof of having deposited the penalty on the next date of hearing. PIO/Respondent is further directed to supply the remaining information before the next date of hearing. Copy of this order be sent to him through registered post for his ready reference.

Besides, due to wastage of valuable time of the Court as well as of the Appellant, a compensation of Rs.2000/- (Rupees two thousand only) is hereby awarded. The compensation shall be paid by the public authority concerned by way of crossed cheque/demand draft in the name of Sh.Daya Singh (Appellant). The crossed cheque/demand draft shall be made from the bank account of the public authority concerned and nor from the individual official. Respondent/ PIO is also directed to produce the copy of the crossed cheque/demand draft in the Commission on the next date of hearing to establish the fact that the order of the Commission has been complied with.

The Appellant is advised to go through the requisite information and point out deficiencies in writing, if any, to the PIO/Respondent with a copy to the Commission after the same has been received by him from the PIO/Respondent. The Appellant is also advised to appear in person on the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 27.02.2019 at 11.00 A.M.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing.

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner, Puniab

CC:

Dated:14.01.2019

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

**O/o** Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Anandpur Sahib, Distt. Roopnagar.

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** Addl. Development Commissioner (Dev.), Roopnagar.

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Sh. Ranjit Singh (Advocate),

Chamber No 122, MG Complex,

Distt. Court, Patiala.

M: 7696340224 ....Applicant

Vs.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

**O/o** Director, Education, SGPC, Panth Rattan Jathedar Gurcharan Singh Tohra Sikh Institute, Bahadargarh,

Distt. Patiala.

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** Director, Education, SGPC, Panth Rattan Jathedar Gurcharan Singh Tohra Sikh Institute, Bahadargarh, Distt Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2006 of 2018

**Present:** The Appellant Shri Ranjit Singh is **absent.** 

None is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

## **ORDER**

The case was last heard on 13.11.2018. The Appellant Sh.Ranjit Singh was absent. None was present on the last hearing on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

It was observed that on the last date of hearing, show cause notice was issued to the PIO/Respondent O/o Director, Education, SGPC, Panth Rattan Jathedar Gurcharan Singh Tohra Sikh Institute, Bahadurgarh, District Patiala under Section 20(1) of RTI Act as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supply the information to the Appellant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information seeker under the provisions of RTI Act.

Today the Appellant is absent, but an e-mail dated 12.01.2019 has been received from the Appellant whereby he has informed that the information received is incomplete as he has sought an attested copy of the selection proforma.

Today, neither the PIO/Respondent nor any of his representatives have come present.

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#### Appeal Case No. 2006 of 2018

On going through the file, it is observed that a letter dated 27.11.2018 received from the PIO/ Respondent is available in file. As per this letter, the information has been supplied to the Appellant. But as per e-mail of the Appellant, the information is incomplete. It is further observed that in spite of the show cause notice, neither the PIO has come present in person nor has supplied the complete information to the Appellant. The Commission takes serious view of the same.

The PIO/Respondent is again directed to supply the remaining information to the Appellant by registered post. He is also directed to come present in person on the next date and produce the postal receipt for having supplied by the information by registered post, failing which, penalty will be imposed.

The case is adjourned to 27.02.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing.

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties.

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Vs.

Sh. Harpal Singh, S/o Sh. Gulzar Singh, VPO Jittwal Kalan, Tehsil Malerkotla, Distt. Sangrur.

....Complainant

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Malerkotla-2 District Sangrur.

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 438 of 2018

**Present:** The Complainant Sh. Harpal Singh is **present.** 

None is **present** on behalf **of** Respondent/PIO.

### **ORDER**

This Complainant case was last heard on 13.11.2018. The complainant Sh.Harpal Singh as well as Mohammad Saleem, VDO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Representative of PIO/respondent were present.

The Respondent, Mohammad Saleem, had handed over an affidavit dated 26.07.2018, a copy of DDR along with supporting documents to the Complainant during the hearing. He had also submitted copy of the supplied documents to the Commission, which were taken on record. As per affidavit, expenditure vouchers had been sent to the complainant by post on 6.7.2018, whereas with regard to the information relating to copy of resolution, works carried out, it was stated in the affidavit that the Proceedings Register has been lost and DDR to this effect had been registered on 16.05.2018.

After going through the file, it was observed that RTI application is dated 07.02.2018 against which information was to be supplied within a month. On asking of the Commission for not supplying the information from February to the date of loss of proceedings register, he could not give cogent reasons for non-supply during this period. The Respondent/PIO was advised to supply the information to the complainant to his satisfaction; otherwise penalty would be imposed on the next date of hearing. He was also directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing to elucidate the facts of this case. A copy of this order was sent through registered post for his ready reference.

## Complaint Case No. 438 of 2018

Today, the appellant is present. But none is present on behalf of PIO/Respondent. However, a letter No.656 dated 04.01.2019 is available in the file. As per this letter, Sh.Mohammad Saleem, VDO Gram Panchayat, Jittwal Kalan has to appear in a case- Amrik Singh vs. Hardev Singh, Gram Panchayat Malakpur, in Civil Court at Malerkotla and as such, has sought exemption from personal appearance today. He is exempted from personal appearance. However, it is observed that the information has been delayed very much.

In view of the above, PIO O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Malerkotla-2, Distt.

Sangrur will Show Cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.

PIO is advised to supply the information to the Complainant by registered post and produce postal receipt before the Commission on the next date.

Both the parties to come present on next date of hearing

The case is adjourned to 27.02.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties

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**O/o** Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Malerkotla-2 District Sangrur.

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Kothi NO.455, Gilco Velley, Kharar, Distt. Mohali (M-8054098586)

....Complainant

Vs.

**Public Information Officer, O/o** Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Kot Isse Khan, Distt. Moga.

..Respondents

## Complaint Case No. 442 of 2018

Present: Complainant Sh. Navdeep Gupta is present.

None is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

#### ORDER

The case was last heard on 13.11.2018, when the complainant Sh.Navdeep Gupta was absent and nobody was present on behalf of Respondent/PIO.

On going through the file, it was observed that on 25.06.2018, Sh.Jagdeep Singh, APIO of the o/o BDPO Kot Isse Khan was present and he had assured to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post, but on the next date 31.07.2018, he was absent and no information was supplied to the Complainant.

In view of the above, PIO O/o, BDPO Kot Isse Khan, Distt. Moga was issued Show Cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. In addition, the PIO was also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.

Today, Sh. Navdeep Gupta comes present and states that no information has been supplied to him.

It is observed that in spite of the show cause notice, neither the information has been supplied to the complainant nor the PIO/Respondent has come present in today's hearing. The Commission takes a serious view of the same.

### Complaint Case No. 442 of 2018

In view of the above, a penalty of Rs.2000/- (Rupees two thousand only) is imposed on the concerned PIO/Respondent, O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Kot Isse Khan, District Moga. The amount of penalty i.e. Rs.2000/- should be deducted from the salary of the PIO and be deposited in the Govt. Treasury under the head "0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act".

PIO/Respondent is also advised to submit the proof of having deposited the penalty on the next date of hearing. PIO/Respondent is further advised to supply the information before the next date of hearing. **Copy of this order be sent to him through registered post for his ready reference.** PIO is also directed to appear in person alongwith receipt for having supplied the information.

Both the parties to come present on next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to **27.02.2019 at 11.00 A.M.** 

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties.

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CC:

Dated: 14.01.2019

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**Sh.Ravinder Kumar** S/o Sh. Chaman Lal C/o Bharat Store 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor(left side), Sudharshan Market, Hall Bazar, Amritsar.

.....Complainant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer, O/o** The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 521 of 2018

**Present:** The Complainant, Sh. Ravinder Kumar is absent

Sh.Dilbagh Singh, Sub Fire Officer is present

on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

### **ORDER**

This case was last heard on 14.11.2018. Complainant was absent on last date of hearing also. Nobody was present on behalf of Respondent/PIO. However, an e-mail was received on 13.11.2018 from Kashmir Singh, Asstt. Divisional Fire Officer, that a Stent has been put in his heart and as such, the case was adjourned on his request.

Today, the complainant is absent, but an e-mail dated 02.01.2019 has been received from him which is available in the file. Vide e-mail, he has informed that on the directions of Commission, he had visited the office of PIO/Respondent, but he has not received any information and requested for the supply of requisite information to him.

On behalf of PIO/Respondent, Sh.Dilbagh Singh, Sub Fire Officer comes present and hands over a copy of letter dated 27.12.2018. It has been stated in the letter that in compliance with the directions of Commission, the entire record has been shown to the complainant by calling him to the office on 22.12.2018 and he has been supplied photocopies of two Fire Safety NOCs. He states that point-wise information has also been supplied vide letter dated 14.07.2018 and he submits photocopy of the same. The said letter is already on record.

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### Complaint Case No. 521 of 2018

The PIO/Respondent is advised to supply the information to the complainant by registered post whatever is required by the complainant. PIO/Respondent is further directed to come present in person and produce the postal receipt on the next date.

Both the parties to come present on next date of hearing which is fixed for **05.03.2019 at 11 A.M.** 

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Sd/-

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State Information Commissioner,
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Dr. Brij Mohan Dhir, SMO (Retd), 83, Preet Vihar, Meha Gate, Nabha-147201, Distt Patiala.

......Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Senior Medical Officer Incharge Community Health Centre, Amargarh,

Distt Sangrur.

.....Respondent.

Complaint Case No. 522 of 2018

**Present:** Complainant Dr. Brij Mohan Dhir is present.

Mrs. Kulbir Kaur, Accountant, CHC Amargarh is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

## ORDER

Dated: 14.01.2019

This case was last heard on 14.11.2018. On the last hearing, the Appellant was present. On behalf of Respondent/PIO, Dr.Amandeep Kaur Trehan & Mrs. Kulbir Kaur, Accountant had come present and had stated that the requisite information has been supplied to the Complainant. But the complainant was not satisfied with the information supplied to him. He had stated that neither he has received the requisite information nor any affidavit signed by PIO as to why the increment was not given to him, has been received.

At the same time, he had also apprised the Court about the decision of the Civil Surgeon, Sangrur taken in consultation with SMO I/c CHC Amargarh, Distt. Sangrur to grant him increment w.e.f 01.04.2011, as per telephonic call made to him by Mrs. Kulbir Kaur, Accountant, O/o SMO I/c CHC Amargarh.

Today, Ms. Kulbir Kaur, Accountant came present on behalf of PIO/Respondent and states that the entire information has been supplied to the Complainant to his satisfaction. The complainant also expresses his satisfaction on the information supplied to him and gives it in writing to the Court.

Since the information has been supplied to the Complainant to his satisfaction, the complaint is disposed of and the case is closed.

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**Shri Makhan Singh**, S/o Shri Jang Singh, R/o Mashana, Block Sangat, Bathinda.

M : 9464132390 ...... Appellant

V/s

**Public Information Officer,** O/o SMO, Incharge C.H.C. Sangat, Distt. Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Civil Surgeon, Bathinda. ......Respondent.

**Appeal Case No. 1765 of 2018** 

**Present:** The Appellant Sh. Makhan Singh is present.

Dr Sarvjit Singh, Senior Medical Officer I/c, PHC, Sangat

Respondent/PIO, alongwith Sh. Vinod Kumar,

Senior Assistant, is present.

#### ORDER

This case was last heard on 14.11.2018. The appellant Sh.Makhan Singh was present. The PIO/Respondent Dr.Sarvjit Singh, SMO I/c PHC Sangat (Bathinda) had come present.

On the last date, the Appellant Sh.Makhan Singh had stated that no information had been supplied to him. On this, Sh.Vinod Kumar, Sr. Assistant who accompanied the PIO/Respondent had stated that Makhan Singh accompanied by some other persons had attacked the office with rods and sticks and by beating up one Navjot Singh had taken away the office record. He had also stated that an FIR had been lodged with the Police against them.

It was enquired from them as to why there was no mention of taking away the record in the FIR as well as in the complaint made to the SSP Bathinda and what action was taken regarding recovery of the record.

On the other hand, the Appellant Makhan Singh had denied the allegations of taking away the record and had handed over a letter written by SMO PHC Sangat asking 5 officials working under him in different Sub Centres directing them to supply the information to the Appellant. He had also stated to have deposited Rs.1460/- as demanded for supply of requisite information, and entry of fee also exists in the office record.

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Respondent/PIO was directed to bring along with him the Register where entry of fee received is made. He was also directed to file an affidavit stating therein the action taken for recovery of record by the O/o PIO and also to produce attested copy of the complaint made regarding theft of office record.

Today, PIO/Respondent alongwith Sh.Vinod Kumar, Sr. Asstt. comes present and hand over letter dated 11.01.2019 addressed to the Commission and enclosing therewith the receipt of complaint in the office of SSP Bathinda and affidavits of 5 officers/officials including PIO/Respondent that the record has been taken away by the Appellant and the persons accompanying him. The same is taken on record.

During discussion with the parties, the position regard to supply of point wise information was enquired from Dr.Sarvjit Singh/Sh.Vinod Kumar, Senior Assistant. After discussions, it was observed that the information can be gathered from the Sub Centres under the PHC. As such, they were asked to supply information on Points No.1 to 11, except Point No.7, to which both the parties agreed. PIO will supply the same to the Appellant before the next date of hearing by registered post and produce postal receipt thereof before the Court. The PIO/Respondent is also directed to appear in person or through his representative on the next date.

The Appellant is also advised to appear in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties to come present on next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 05.03.2019 at 11.00 A.M.

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties.

Dated: 14.01.2019

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**Shri Tilak Raj** C/o The Amritsar, Cooperative Labour & Construction Union Ltd, Albert Road, Amritsar.

.....Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o Trust Engineer, Nagar Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chairman, Amritsar Nagar Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

.... Respondent.

**Appeal Case No. 1785 of 2018** 

**Present:** The Appellant Sh. Tilak Raj is absent.

None is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

## **ORDER**

This case was last heard on 14.11.2018. The Appellant Sh.Tilak Raj was absent. Sh.Shamsher Singh, Junior Assistant was present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent on last date of hearing.

Sh.Shamsher Singh, Junior Engineer who was present on behalf of Respondent/PIO had submitted copies of the tender notices and copy of Dak Receipt Register which were taken on record. He was, however, directed to supply the requisite remaining information to the Appellant by registered post.

The Respondent/PIO was also directed to appear in person or through any of his representative, along with postal receipt through which information has been sent to the Appellant, on the next date of hearing failing which strict action would be taken against him.

The Appellant, Sh. Tilak Raj, on receipt of information, was advised to go through the information and point out the deficiencies, if any, in written to the Respondent/PIO with a copy to the Commission.

Today, the Appellant is absent. But a letter of the Appellant dated 07.01.2019 is available on the file. As per letter, the Appellant has asked the PIO to supply him information regarding Point No.2 i.e. Acknowledge Receipt of tender notice sent to the Amritsar Cooperative Labour & Construction Society Ltd., Amritsar. It is observed that PIO/Respondent has failed to come present before the Commission and also to supply complete information to the Appellant.

In view of the above, PIO O/o Trust Engineer, Nagar Improvement Trust, Amritsar will Show Cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.

PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post and produce postal receipt before the Commission on the next date.

Both the parties to come present on next date of hearing

The case is adjourned to 05.03.2019 at 11.00 AM.

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**Show Cause:** 

Dated: 14.01.2019

Regd.Post Public Information Officer (By Name),

O/o Superintending Engineer (Trust Engineer),

Nagar Improvement Trust,

Amritsar.

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Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

**Sh.Krishan Gopal Singla** 

S/o Sh.Brij Lal,

W.No.16B/190, Sangrur Road,

Dhuri, District Sangrur. ...Petitioner

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Chief Engineer PWD (B&R), Patiala

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Engineer(HQ) PWD (B&R), Patiala

...Respondents

Appeal No.3025 of 2018

**Present:** The Appellant Sh.Krishan Gopal Singla is absent.

None is present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 19.11.2018. The appellant was absent and on behalf of PIO/Respondent Sh.Jasbir Singh, SDO had come present. He had submitted a copy of the report dated 23.08.1999 relating to the enquiry conducted by Addl. District Judge, Patiala in pursuance of directions of Hon'ble High Court regarding demolition of construction given in the case filed by the persons who were in unauthorized possession of the land of Department along with a copy of order dated 05.05.1999 and order dated 11.02.2000 passed in COCP No.1286 of 1998 vide which contempt petition had been dismissed. The same were taken on record.

The Appellant was absent but he had sent an e-mail stating that no information had been provided to him and had requested for exemption from appearance in the hearing on that date.

On the last date, after discussion with Sh. Jasbir Singh, the representative of PIO/Respondent, the PIO was directed to supply requisite information to the Appellant Sh.Krishan Gopal Singla through registered post and to come present on the next date along with copy of the postal receipt. The Appellant was also advised to go through the information after he receives the same and point out deficiencies, if any, in written.

Today, the Appellant is absent without any intimation. PIO/Respondent is also absent. Neither any intimation regarding absence has been received from the PIO nor there is any document available in the file to have supplied the information to the Appellant. The Commission takes serious view of the same.

In view of the above, PIO O/o Chief Engineer, P.W.D. (B&R), Patiala will Show Cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.

PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post and produce postal receipt before the Commission on the next date.

The Appellant is also given one last opportunity to appear before the Commission on the next date otherwise case will be decided in his absence.

Both the parties to come present on next date of hearing

The case is adjourned to 05.03.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties

Sd/-

(Sanjiv Garg)

State Information Commissioner,

**Punjab** 

**Show Cause:** 

Dated: 14.01.2019

Regd.Post Public Information Officer (By Name),

O/o Chief Engineer PWD (B&R), Patiala

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Sh. Jagtar Singh S/o Sh. Jagir Singh, #3385, Sector-47D, Chandigarh,

....Applicant

Vs.

**Public Information Officer,** O/o Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, HO, Nabha Road, Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority, O/o** Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, HO, Nabha Road, Patiala.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3037 of 2018

**Present:** The Appellant Sh. Jagtar Singh is **present.** 

Sh. Gian Chand, Sr. Assistant is **present** on behalf of the

Respondent/PIO.

## **ORDER**

Dated: 14.01.2019

The case was last heard on 19.11.2018. The appellant Sh.Jagtar Singh was present. None was present on the last hearing on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

The Appellant Sh.Jagtar Singh had stated that he is satisfied with the information supplied relating to Point No.1 and had requested for supply of information relating to Points No.2, 3, 4 & 5.

PIO/Respondent was issued show cause notice under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act to show as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. PIO was also given opportunity under Section 29(1) and provisions thereto, for a personal hearing to clear the facts of this case and to come along with the sought for information before imposition of penalty on the next date of haring.

Today, Sh.Gian Chand, Senior Assistant comes present on behalf of the PIO/ Respondent and assures that the information <u>will definitely be supplied to the Appellant on 16.01.2019</u>. The Appellant Shri Jagtar Singh also agrees to collect the information on 16.01.2019 from the office of PIO/Respondent.

PIO/Respondent, on the assurance given by his representative Sh.Gian Chand, is given one last opportunity to supply the information to the Appellant to his satisfaction, failing which, penalty will be imposed and compensation will also be awarded.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing.

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Sh.Jaspal Singh

S/o Sh.Ramesh Arora H.No.319/3, Gurdeep Nagar Jagraon,Distt.Ludhiana M-9815017246

... Applicant

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

**O/o** Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagroan District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3005 of 2018

**Present:** The Appellant Sh. Jaspal Singh is absent.

Sh.Satyajit, Junior Engineer and Sh.Jatinder Singh, Junior Assistant

are present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

### **ORDER**

The case was last heard on 19.11.2018. The Appellant was present. None was present on behalf of PIO/Respondent. The Appellant had stated that incomplete information has been supplied to him.

On the last hearing, an e-mail had been received from PIO/Respondent that Mrs. Nisha, APIO who is well versed with the facts of the case is on election duty and had requested for adjournment.

After discussing with the appellant and going through the case file, the PIO/Respondent was directed to clarify the facts, in which election the duty had been assigned to the APIO. He was also directed to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post before the next date of hearing and also to come present in person or through his representative along with postal receipt. The Appellant was also advised to appear in person on next date of hearing.

Today, an e-mail has been received from the Appellant Sh. Jaspal Singh that due to illness, he is unable to attend the hearing and sought adjournment of the hearing.

None is present on behalf of PIO/Respondent but a letter dated 11.01.2019 has been received from the PIO/Respondent that the APIO Smt. Nisha, Accountant who is well versed with the facts of the case was detailed for election duty by the SDM Jagraon vide letter dated 25.10.2018, but it has not been clarified, as asked for vide order dated 19.11.2018, in which election she has been detailed for duty. It is also not acceptable that since her relieving from Municipal Council, Jagraon w.e.f. 26.10.2018, nobody has been attending duties in her place. The Commission takes serious view of the same.

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### Appeal Case No. 3005 of 2018

In view of the above, PIO O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagroan, District Ludhiana will Show Cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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