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Sh. Jasbir Singh (9888296107)

Guru Nanak Nagar,
Vill. Bolapur, Jhabewal,
PO Ramgarh
Distt. Ludhiana 141123,

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o SDM, Mansa

First Appellate Authority

O/o SDM, Mansa

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4435 of 2021

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

(i) Sh. Jasbir Singh - appellant

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Gurkirat Singh (On phone)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 17.6.2021 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 12.8.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.9.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 17.5.2022 i.e. today.
3. In today's hearing, the appellant is present. Sh. Jasbir Singh, appellant requests the court for directions to the respondent to supply the sought for information as per his RTI application as sufficient time has gone in vain.
4. The respondent, Sh. Gurkirat Singh telephonically requests the court that an adjournment may be granted for personal reasons as he is unable to represent this case today. Request of the respondent is granted; the court grants an adjournment with the directions to supply the information immediately to the appellant along with directions to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively.
5. The appellant is also advised to go through the information on its receipt and point out deficiencies, if any, under intimation to the Commission without wasting further time.
6. To come up on **02.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 17.05.2022

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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Appellant

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4436 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Jasbir Singh - appellant
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Gurbax Singh (APIO)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 14.6.2021 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 2.8.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.9.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 17.5.2022 i.e. today
3. In today's hearing, both the parties are present. The appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh requests the court for directions to the respondent to supply the exact information as the reply received is not satisfactory.
4. The respondent, Sh. Gurbax Singh is directed to give complete information as per RTI application to the appellant within ten days without wasting further time as sufficient time has already elapsed.
5. To come up on **02.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Appellant

Sh. Jasbir Singh (9888296107)

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Vill. Bolapur, Jhabewal,
PO Ramgarh
Distt. Ludhiana 141123,

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4439 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Jasbir Singh - appellant
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Gurbax Singh (APIO)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 12.7.2021 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 14.8.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 30.9.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 17.5.2022 i.e. today
3. In today's hearing, both the parties are present. The appellant states that the sought for information is still pending from the respondent PIO.
4. The respondent, Sh. Gurbax Singh states that as per letter of the Government dated 09.08.2021 the information cannot be provided as it is a third party information.
5. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file in detail, respondent PIO is directed to supply the sought for information to the appellant within 7 days from today as the Commission does not feel it is a 3rd party information., failing which stern action will be initiated against him.
6. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
7. To come up on **02.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Appellant

Sh. Jasbir Singh (9888296107)

Guru Nanak Nagar,
Vill. Bolapur, Jhabewal,
PO Ramgarh
Distt. Ludhiana 141123,

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4485 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Jasbir Singh - appellant
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Gurbax Singh (APIO)

Order

1. The RTI application is dated 12.7.2021 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 12.8.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 30.9.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 17.5.2022 i.e. today
2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present. The appellant states that the sought for information is still pending from the respondent PIO.
3. The respondent, Sh. Gurbax Singh states that as per letter of the Government dated 09.08.2021 the information cannot be provided as it is a third party information.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file in detail, respondent PIO is directed to supply the sought for information to the appellant within 7 days from today as the Commission does not feel it is a 3rd party information, failing which stern action will be initiated against him.
5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
6. To come up on **26.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Sh. Bal Mukand (9803001121)

s/o Sh. Walaiti Ram

Calcutta Street, Rampuraphul

Distt. Bathinda

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post)

O/o Regional Deputy Director,

Local Govt. Bathinda

Encl. RTI application

Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 1196 of 2021

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: None present.

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 26.2.2021 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. A complaint was filed in the Commission on 4.10.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 17.5.2022 i.e. today.
2. In today's hearing, appellant is not present but two letters are received from the complainant dated 14.12.2021 (diary no. 27802 dated 13.12.2021, which are received by the undersigned Bench on 28.02.2022) and dated 14.02.2022 (diary no. 3413 dated 18.02.2022, which is received by the undersigned Bench on 23.02.2022), taken on record.
3. After examining the documents placed on record, inadvertently notice of hearing for today i.e. 17.05.2022 was sent to the respondent PIO, O/o Secy., RTA, Jalandhar instead of respondent PIO, O/o Regional Deputy Director, Local Govt., Bathinda. A copy of this order be sent to the concerned respondent PIO along with RTI application by name through registered post for his ready reference.
4. To come up on **26.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)

2469, Sunny Enclave,
Sector 125, Kharar,
Distt. Mohali 140301.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority,
Faridkot

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority,
Faridkot

Respondent

Appeal case No.: 595 of 2022
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Manjinder Singh - appellant
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Sanjiv Kumar (SA-cum-PIO)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 27.10.2021 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 1.12. 2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 25.1.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 17.5.2022 i.e. today
3. In today's hearing, both the parties are present. The respondent, Sh. Sanjiv Kumar states that the sought information cannot be provided as the same is to be created; the creation of information is exempted as per RTI Act, 2005.
4. The appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh states that similar kind of information he has received from RTI office Jalandhar then why the concerned RTA office is not giving the information.
5. In view of version of the appellant, the respondent is hereby directed to provide the information on the same pattern as the RTA office Jalandhar has provided within 15 days from today without wasting further time.
7. The appellant is advised to point out deficiencies, if any, on receipt of the information from RTA, Faridkot within 7 days so that the case can be decided on the next date of hearing.
8. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
9. To come up on **27.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 17.05.2022

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Sh. Manjinder Singh (9872015069)

2469, Sunny Enclave,
Sector 125, Kharar,
Distt. Mohali 140301.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala

Respondent

Appeal case No.: 596 of 2022
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Manjinder Singh - appellant

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Harjit Singh, Clerk along with Sh. Tirath Singh (PIO)

Order

1. The RTI application is dated 21.10.2021 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 1.12. 2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 25.1.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 17.5.2022 i.e. today
3. In today's hearing, both the parties are present.
4. The appellant states that the sought for information as per his RTI application is still pending from the respondent PIO even after number of visits to the respondent's office. He also adds that information was also not supplied after filing First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority.
5. The respondent, Sh. Harjit Singh states that they have written a letter to the department concerned and 03 reminders but till date they have not received any reply from the concerned respondent.
6. After hearing the respondent and discussing with him in detail, it was observed that respondent PIO, Sh. Tirath Singh is sitting next to him and he is directed to get the information from the concerned and supply the same to the appellant without wasting further time, failing which stern action will be initiated against him.
7. To come up on **28.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 17.05.2022

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Sh. Ravinder Singh Gill
986, Near Dev Hotel, Main Bazaar,
Moga 142001.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o SDM-Cum-DTO, Mansa

First Appellate Authority
O/o SDM-Cum-DTO, Mansa

Respondent

Appeal case No.: 620 of 2022
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Appellant - Absent
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Gurkirat Singh (On phone)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 4.10.2021 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 9.11.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.1.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 17.5.2022 i.e. today
2. In today's hearing, the appellant is absent but a letter dated 02.05.2022 is received from the appellant vide diary no. 9328 dated 05.05.2022 mentioning therein regarding deficiencies in the supplied information and he has no objection to give time to the respondent PIO to trace the record. This letter is taken on record.
3. The respondent, Sh. Gurkirat Singh telephonically requests the court that an adjournment may be granted due to personal reasons as he is unable to represent this case today. Request of the respondent is granted; the court grants an adjournment with the directions to supply the information immediately to the appellant along with directions to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively.
4. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
5. To come up on **26.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 17.05.2022

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Sh. Ravinder Kataria (9463133590, 8544841830)

#64, New Sant Fateh Singh Nagar,
Dugri Road, Ludhiana

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Officer,
Faridkot

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Officer,
Faridkot

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 58 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

- (i) Sh. Ravinder Kataria, the appellant.
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Sanjeev Kumar (JA) (9872676005).

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order of the Commission dated 17.11.2021 vide which respondent was directed to go through the RTI application once again and supply the information to the appellant on his email rkataria1963@gmail.com under intimation to the Commission in this regard. The case was adjourned to 10.03.2022 which was not heard on 17.05.2022.
2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present.
3. The respondent PIO states that the information has already been supplied to the appellant.
4. The appellant states that the receipts of the same have not been provided till date. He further states that 11 challans which were done by RTO have not been supplied and request the court for suitable directions to supply the receipts and challans done by the RTO.
5. The respondent, Sh. Sanjeev Kumar states that the receipt book is available and the same shall be provided to the appellant.
6. In view of above, the court directs the respondent PIO to contact the appellant and remove deficiencies as per RTI application within 10 days from today, failing which suitable action shall be initiated.
7. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
8. To come up on **02.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 17.05.2022

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Sh. Ravinder Kataria (9463133590, 8544841830)

#64, New Sant Fateh Singh Nagar,

Dugri Road, Ludhiana

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Officer,

Faridkot

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Officer,

Faridkot

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 59 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

(i) Sh. Ravinder Kataria, the appellant.

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Sanjeev Kumar (JA) (9872676005).

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order of the Commission dated 17.11.2021 vide which respondent to go through the RTI application once again and supply the information as per RTI application to the appellant on his email rkataria1963@gmail.com under intimation to the Commission. The case was adjourned to 17.5.2022.
2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present.
3. The respondent PIO states that the information has already been supplied to the appellant on 23.11.2021. He adds that partial information is third party which could not be supplied.
4. On this, appellant pointed out objection on the supplied information mentioning therein that created list has been supplied to him. He adds that complete information is still pending.
5. After discussing with both the parties and examining the documents placed on record, respondent PIO is once again directed to supply the information to the appellant within 10 days except personal information which is exempted as per RTI Act, 2005, failing which penal action shall follow.
6. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
7. To come up on **02.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Pankaj Kumar (9988241285)
S/o Sh. Nabh Singh, MCB Zone-6,
H.No.3225, Gali No.1-B,
Surkhpeer Road,
Bathinda 151 001.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o MC, Bathinda

First Appellate Authority
O/o MC, Bathinda

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1182 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Sanjeev Goyal on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Amardeep along with Sh. Davinder Jaura (XEN)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 22.3.2022, it was observed that deficiencies were removed after the 06 months by the appellant on 22.03.2022, in the supplied information on 30.09.2021 comprising 1673 pages. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 17.05.2022 i.e. today.
2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present. Representative of the appellant states that there are discrepancies in the supplied information.
3. The respondents' state that 576 pages were supplied after the previous order of the Commission dated 22.03.2022. They also mentioned that appellant and representative of the appellant were called for inspection in 18 appeal cases pending before the undersigned Bench vide letter no. 1306 dated 02.05.2022, which was received by the Sh. Sanjiv Goyal on 02.05.2022 at 05:00 PM and copy of the same is also sent to the Commission, which is received via an email dated 03.05.2022 and taken on record.
4. After having detailed deliberations, it is observed that till date 2249 pages have already been supplied to the appellant by the respondent PIO and he is directed to remove deficiency, if any, specifically pointed out by the appellant.
5. **Appellant, Sh. Pankaj Kumar is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case.**
6. To come up on **21.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 17.05.2022

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Sh. Ravinder Singh, Advocate (9317561575)

H.No.16, Shaheed Nagar,
Chhehartta,
Amritsar 143008.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post)

O/o Town Improvement Trust,
Ranjiv Avenue, Amritsar-143001.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Town Improvement Trust,
Ranjiv Avenue, Amritsar-143001.

Respondent

Appeal case No.: 286 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Vishal Joshi, Advocate.

Respondent: Sh. Narinder Sharma (PIO) (9646989876) along with Ms Madhvi, Building Inspector (8847480049).

ORDER

1. Refer earlier order dated: 29.3.2022 vide which a show cause was served to respondent PIO Sh. Narinder Sharma with directions to appear in person on the next date of hearing. Appellant intimated the Commission that information is still pending even after the directions of the Commission vide order dated 18.11.2021. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 17.5.2022 i.e. today.
2. In today's hearing, representative of the appellant, Sh. Vishal Joshi, Advocate states that his client has not received the information as per RTI application and the status is same even after the ample time has elapsed.
3. Respondents' present for today's hearing state that the present case relates with the improvement trust instead of MTP/MC department Amritsar.
4. Ms. Madhvi states that RTI application was not received from the appellant as he was directed to supply immediately on 18.11.2021 by the Bench of Ld. SIC, Sh. Hem Inder Singh. She further states that RTI application was collected from the undersigned Bench via whatsapp.
5. Respondent, Sh. Narinder Sharma states that he has sent reply via an email dated 16.05.2022 to Show Cause notice which was issued to him in Appeal Case numbers 285, 286 and 287 of 2021, vide order of the Commission dated 29.03.2022. This email is received and taken on record.
6. Respondent, Sh. Jatinder Singh (EO) (M:8628960504) from the Improvement Trust was informed regarding today's hearing but nobody bothered to represent this case, which shows irresponsible and casual behavior of the concerned department towards the Notices and Orders of the Commission.
The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously as it affects hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally at PSIC Office, Chandigarh on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.
7. After having detailed discussions with the present respondents' from the MTP department, I am of the considered view that submitted reply to the Show Cause is satisfactory in the present case and show cause is dropped which was issued to Sh. Narinder Sharma and respondents' from the MTP/MC Amritsar office are exempted till further orders.

It is also observed that copy of notice and order dated 29.03.2022 was sent to the Sh. Narinder Sharma by the undersigned Bench as earlier order of the Commission dated 18.11.2021 was sent to him by the Bench of Ld. SIC, Sh. Hem Inder Singh.

Appeal case No.: 286 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

8. The appellant is on liberty either to represent this case through CISCO WEBEX (meeting no. 1582933632) or at PSIC Office, Chandigarh.
9. To come up on **26.7.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application).
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 17.05.2022

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
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 Municipal Corporation
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H.No.16, Shaheed Nagar,
Chhehartta,
Amritsar 143008.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post)

O/o Town Improvement Trust,
Ranjiv Avenue, Amritsar-143001.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Town Improvement Trust,
Ranjiv Avenue,Amritsar-143001.

Respondent

Appeal case No.: 285 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Vishal Joshi, Advocate.

Respondent: Sh. Narinder Sharma (PIO) (9646989876) along with Ms Madhvi, Building Inspector (8847480049).

ORDER

1. Refer earlier order dated: 29.3.2022 vide which a show cause was served to respondent PIO Sh. Narinder Sharma with directions to appear in person on the next date of hearing. Appellant intimated the Commission that information is still pending even after the directions of the Commission vide order dated 18.11.2021. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 17.5.2022 i.e. today.
2. In today's hearing, representative of the appellant, Sh. Vishal Joshi, Advocate states that his client has not received the information as per RTI application and the status is same even after the ample time has elapsed.
3. Respondents' present for today's hearing state that the present case relates with the improvement trust instead of MTP/MC department Amritsar.
4. Ms. Madhvi states that RTI application was not received from the appellant as he was directed to supply immediately on 18.11.2021 by the Bench of Ld. SIC, Sh. Hem Inder Singh. She further states that RTI application was collected from the undersigned Bench via whatsapp.
5. Respondent, Sh. Narinder Sharma states that he has sent reply via an email dated 16.05.2022 to Show Cause notice which was issued to him in Appeal Case numbers 285, 286 and 287 of 2021, vide order of the Commission dated 29.03.2022. This email is received and taken on record.
6. *Respondent, Sh. Jatinder Singh (EO) (M:8628960504) from the Improvement Trust was informed regarding today's hearing but nobody bothered to represent this case, which shows irresponsible and casual behavior of the concerned department towards the Notices and Orders of the Commission.*
The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously as it affects hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally at PSIC Office, Chandigarh on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.
7. After having detailed discussions with the present respondents' from the MTP department, I am of the considered view that submitted reply to the Show Cause is satisfactory in the present case and show cause is dropped which was issued to Sh. Narinder Sharma and respondents' from the MTP/MC Amritsar office are exempted till further orders.

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It is also observed that copy of notice and order dated 29.03.2022 was sent to the Sh. Narinder Sharma by the undersigned Bench as earlier order of the Commission dated 18.11.2021 was sent to him by the Bench of Ld. SIC, Sh.Hem Inder Singh.

8. The appellant is on liberty either to represent this case through CISCO WEBEX (meeting no. 1582933632) or at PSIC Office, Chandigarh.
9. To come up on **26.7.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 17.05.2022

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Regd. Post **Sh. Narinder Sharma**
 MTP-cum-PIO
 Municipal Corporation
 Amritsar

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Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

Respondent

Appeal case No.: 287 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Vishal Joshi, Advocate.

Respondent: Sh. Narinder Sharma (PIO) (9646989876) along with Ms Madhvi, Building Inspector (8847480049).

ORDER

1. Refer earlier order dated: 29.3.2022 vide which a show cause was served to respondent PIO Sh. Narinder Sharma with directions to appear in person on the next date of hearing. Appellant intimated the Commission that information is still pending even after the directions of the Commission vide order dated 18.11.2021. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 17.5.2022 i.e. today.
2. In today's hearing, representative of the appellant, Sh. Vishal Joshi, Advocate states that his client has not received the information as per RTI application and the status is same even after the ample time has elapsed.
3. Respondent, Ms. Madhvi states that RTI application was not received from the appellant as he was directed to supply immediately on 18.11.2021 by the Bench of Ld. SIC, Sh. Hem Inder Singh. She further states that RTI application was collected from the undersigned Bench via whatsapp.
4. Respondent, Sh. Narinder Sharma states that he has sent reply via an email dated 16.05.2022 to Show Cause notice which was issued to him in Appeal Case numbers 285, 286 and 287 of 2021, vide order of the Commission dated 29.03.2022. This email is received and taken on record. He also mentioned that he has transferred from the present office.
5. After having detailed discussions with the respondents, I am of the considered view that submitted reply to the Show Cause is considered and taken on record, which was issued to Sh. Narinder Sharma.
6. Respondent, Sh. Narinder Sharma is directed to coordinate with the present PIO, Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa (MTP) (M:9216817017) and supply the point-wise reply/information to the appellant within seven days after receipt of this order as RTI application has already been supplied by the Commission through whatsapp of Ms. Madhvi.

Respondent PIOs, Sh. Narinder Sharma and Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa are directed to appear in person on next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case as disposal of the case affects due to this or that reason, which leads only sheer wastage of precious time and resources of the Commission.

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7. The appellant is on liberty either to represent this case through CISCO WEBEX (meeting no. 1582933632) or at PSIC Office, Chandigarh.
8. To come up on **20.7.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application).
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 17.05.2022

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Regd. Post **Sh. Narinder Sharma**
MTP-cum-PIO
Municipal Corporation
Amritsar

Regd. Post **Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa**
MTP-cum-PIO
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Sh. Jasbir Singh (9888296107)

Guru Nanak Nagar,
Village Bolapur, Jhabewal,
Post Office, Ramgarh,
District Ludhiana-141123

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o State Transport Commissioner Punjab,
Sector-17, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner Punjab,
Sector-17, Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2471 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Jasbir Singh, appellant
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Gurbax Singh (APIO)

Order

1. Refer earlier orders dated: 10.11.2021 vide which respondent, Sh. Gurbax Singh stated that the information was sent to the appellant on 25.04.2022. Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh appeared before the undersigned Bench after the hearing was over of this case and he intimated the Commission that he is not satisfied with the supplied reply because respondent PIO denied information on the plea that information could be collected from Architecture Deptt. by the appellant. Matter was adjourned to 17.05.2022.
2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
3. Respondent, Sh. Gurbax Singh states that information with regard to automatic driving tracks. The information for same is not being provided that the automatic traffic testing tracks model made by Architecture Department.
4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, I am of the considered view that supplied reply vide letter no. 9678 dated 19.04.2021 stating that 'ਪੰਜਾਬ ਰਾਜ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਟੋਮੈਟਿਕ ਡ੍ਰਾਈਵਿੰਗ ਟੈਸਟ ਟਰੈਕ ਦੇ ਮਾਡਲ ਆਰਕੀਟੈਕਚਰ ਵਿਭਾਗ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵਲੋਂ ਤਿਆਰ ਕੀਤੇ ਗਏ ਹਨ, ਇਸ ਸੰਬੰਧੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਪਾਸੇ ਮੰਗ ਲਈ ਜਾਵੇ ਜੀ।' which is not a satisfactory reply to the RTI application filed by the appellant in the present case. Accordingly, respondent PIO is directed to supply the requisite information after collecting from the concerned department and supply the same to the appellant without fail within 7 days from today considering this opportunity as a final opportunity, failing which stern action will be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO.
5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
6. To come up on **13.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 17.05.2022

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Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/O Addl. Secy., Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority
O/O Addl. Secy., Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1556 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant.
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Gurbax Singh (APIO)

ORDER

1. Refer earlier orders dated: 04.05.2022 vide which appellant intimated the Commission that the sought information is still awaited. The respondent stated that information has been supplied to the appellant on 2.5.2022. Respondent PIO was called at PSIC Office on the next date along with record file and the matter was adjourned for further hearing on 17.5.2022. Appellant was also advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing which appropriate orders will be passed in their absence.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that the PIO has neither complied with the earlier orders of the Commission nor appeared personally as she was directed on 04.05.2022.
3. Respondent, Sh. Gurbax Singh requests for an adjournment in the present case.
4. After discussing with both the parties in detail, the court directs the respondent department to supply the requisite information within 7 days failing which suitable action shall be initiated against the PIO.
5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person or through their representative(s), who is well aware about the case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which appropriate orders will be passed in their absence.
6. To come up on **14.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 17.05.2022

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Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb,
Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1591 of 2021
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: (i) Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant.
(ii) For the respondent: Gurbax Singh

ORDER:

1. Refer earlier orders dated: 28.4.2022 vide which the respondent was directed to supply point-wise affidavit to the appellant. The case was adjourned for hearing for 17.5.2022.
2. In today's hearing Sh. Tejinder Singh Advocate, appellant is present. He pleads the court that as per last order the respondent may be given direction to submit an affidavit to him under intimation to the Commission as per previous orders of the Commission dated 28.04.2022.
3. Respondent, Sh. Gurbax Singh states that reply has already been sent to the appellant that matter is under process.
4. In view of the above, the respondent department is once again directed to give affidavit to the appellant as per order dated 04.05.2022 within seven days failing which suitable action shall be initiated against the PIO.
5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person or through their representative(s), who is well aware about the case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which appropriate orders will be passed in their absence.
6. To come up on **19.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 17.05.2022

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab