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APPEAL CASE NO.0403 OF 2020

Sh. Gurmej Lal, (9781672776)
H. No. 6375, Street No. 16,
Guru Gobind Singh Nagar,
Backside Bachan Gas Agency,
Near Mair Di Chakki, P.O. Daba, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Principal Secretary,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35-A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present : Shri Gurmej Lal the appellant.
S/Shri Mohan Singh, ATP, Satish Kumar, ATP and Madanjit Singh, ATP on behalf of
the Respondents.

ORDER:

- This case may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.09.2020.
2. The appellant states that he has not received any information till date.
 3. The representatives of the Respondent-PIO state that the sought for information has already been supplied to the appellant by registered post on 11.09.2019, 04.10.2019 and again on 12.11.2020 by speed post.
 3. The appellant is directed to convey in writing deficiencies, if any, in the supplied information by registered post to the respondent before the next date of hearing.
 4. The Respondent-PIO is directed to supply the information duly attested, to the appellant after removing the deficiencies under intimation to the Commission. He is further directed to be present on the next date of hearing to present the case failing which strict action shall be taken under the provisions of the RTI Act 2005.
 5. The case is adjourned to **07.01.2021 at 12.00AM for hearing through VC at DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
17.11.2020

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APPEAL CASE NO. 484 OF 2020

Sh. Rajesh Gupta, (9417189131)
President, Social Reformers,
216, Bharat Nagar,
Ludhiana-141001

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Excise & Taxation Department,
Ludhiana-II.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Excise & Taxation Department,
Ludhiana-II.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Shri Diwan Chand Sharma, ETO-cum-PIO and Shri Rajesh Heri, FAA on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.09.2020

2. The appellant is absent today.
3. The Respondent-PIO states that the sought for information has already been sent through registered post on 16.11.2020. He is directed to supply again duly attested information to the Appellant through registered post before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission failing which **punitive action** under the RTI Act 2005 shall follow. He is further directed to be present personally or through his representative on the next date of hearing to present the case.
4. The appellant is advised to be present on the next date of hearing to present his case.
5. The case is adjourned to **07.01.2021 at 12.00AM for hearing through VC at DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 618 OF 2020

Sh. Bharat Bhushan Mattu, (9779928472)
H. No. 153, Akash Nagar,
Near Green Land School, P.O. Netaji Nagar,
Salem Tabri, Ludhiana-141008

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director General of School Education, Punjab,
Punjab School Education Board Complex,
Phase-VIII, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secretary,
School Education, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present : Shri Bhart Bhushan Mattu, the appellant in person.
Shri Surinder Singh, Sr. Assistant, on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.09.2020.

2. The representative of the Respondents states that the sought for information has already been supplied to the Appellant on 15.10.2020 and 06.11.2020.

3. The Appellant states that he has given in writing the deficiencies in the supplied information to the Respondent but till date he has not supplied the information after removing the deficiencies.

4. The Respondent-PIO is directed to again supply duly attested information after removing the deficiencies to the appellant by Registered Post before the next date of information under intimation to the Commission. He is further directed to file a proper affidavit duly attested by Public Notary indicating that the requisite information pertaining to this RTI has already been supplied and no more information is available in their record, before the next date of hearing failing which **Show Cause Notice** will be issued under the RTI Act 2005. He is also directed to be present personally or through his representative on the next date of hearing to present the case.

5. The case is adjourned to **07.01.2021 at 12.00AM for hearing through VC at DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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COMPLAINT CASE NO. 0628 OF 2020

Sh. Balvir Singh, (9780601415)
S/o Sh. Balwant Singh,
R/o Village Badhochhi Kalan,
Tehsil & District Fatehgarh Sahib.

...Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Education Officer (Secondary),
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

...Respondent

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Shri Balvir Singh, the complainant.
Shri Rajiv Kumar, Superintendent-cum-PIO, on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

Vide RTI application dated 05.06.2020 whereby the Complainant has sought the information from The Education Officer, Secondary Education, SAS Nagar(Mohali). When no information was supplied by the PIO, he filed the complaint in the Commission on 07.07.2020.

2. The Complainant states that the information has not been provided by the Respondents till date.

3. The Respondent-PIO orally states that information available in their record has already been provided to the appellant by registered post on 12.11.2020. He further states that he has also sent information along with original affidavit to the Commission stating that the requisite information was sent by them on 07.07.2020 by registered post.

4. In view of the above, the Respondent is directed to be present on the next date of hearing failing which **show cause notice** will be issued under Section 20 of RTI 2005.

5. The case is adjourned for **05.01.2021 at 11.00AM for hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID 913428845**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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COMPLAINT CASE No. 0639 OF 2020

Sh. Hakam Singh Gill, (N.R.I.) (9592314940)
R/o Village Badala, Tehsil Kharar,
District S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

...Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Nagar Palika, Kharar,
District S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

...Respondent

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Shri Hakam Singh, the complainant.
Shri Anil Kumar, JE, on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

Vide RTI application dated 24.02.2020 the Complainant has sought the information from the PIO O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Palika, Kharar. When no information was supplied by the PIO, he filed the complaint in the Commission on 10.09.2020.

2. The complainant states that the information has not been provided by the Respondents till date.
3. The Respondent states that information has already been provided to the appellant vide letter No.152 dated 16.11.2020.
4. The Respondent is directed to be present on the next date of hearing to present the case.
5. In view of the above, the case is adjourned for **05.01.2021 at 11.00AM for hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID 913428845**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2065 OF 2020

Sh. Gurmeet Singh Jaura, (9815751666)
S/o Sh. Kulwant Singh,
R/o Bhullar Colony, Street No. 1,
Sri Mukatsar Sahib-152026

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Department of Governance Reforms,
Punjab, Sector-74,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority
O/o Department of Governance Reforms,
Punjab, Sector-74,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Shri Gurmeet Singh Jaura, the appellant
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This case be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.10.2020.

2. The Appellant states that the information provided by the Respondents is incomplete.
3. The Respondent-PIO is absent for the 02nd time consecutively without any intimation to the Commission. He is directed to be present personally or through his authorized representative on the next date of hearing to present the case failing which **Show Cause Notice under RTI Act 2005** will be issued.
4. The appellant is advised to be present on the next date of hearing to present his case.
5. The case is adjourned for **05.01.2021 at 11.00AM for hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID 913428845**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO.1672 OF 2020

Shri Ravinder Kaushik (9316812000)
S/o Shri Surinder Kaushik,
312 - I, BRS Nagar,
Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal,
Government Sr. Sec. School,
GUJJARWAL, District LUDHIANA.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Principal,
Government Sr. Sec. School,
GUJJARWAL, District LUDHIANA

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Sh. Ravinder Kaushik, Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.10.2020.

2. The Appellant states that information provided by the Respondents is incomplete and unreadable.

3. The Respondent-PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission. The Commission takes a serious view of this lapse on the part of respondents for taking orders of the Commission in a casual manner and thus, denying the appellant his legitimate right to get the sought for information. Therefore, viewing the delaying attitude of the respondent-PIO, a **Show Cause Notice** under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act 2005, is issued to Shri Harminder Singh Manocha, Principal-cum-PIO to explain the reasons through a duly attested affidavit as to why a penalty at the rate of Rs.250/- per day subject to maximum of Rs.25000/- be not imposed upon him for the delay in the supply of information. He is also afforded an opportunity of personal hearing on the next date of hearing before taking any action.

4. The appellant is directed to be present on the next date of hearing to plead his case.

5. The case is adjourned to **07.01.2021 at 12.00AM for hearing through VC at DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2066 OF 2020

Shri Ravinder Kaushik (9316812000)
S/o Shri Surinder Kaushik,
312 - I, BRS Nagar,
Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal,
Government Sr. Sec. School,
GUJJARWAL, District LUDHIANA.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Principal,
Government Sr. Sec. School,
GUJJARWAL, District LUDHIANA

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Sh. Ravinder Kaushik, Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.10.2020.

2. The Appellant states that information provided by the Respondents is incomplete and unreadable.

3. The Respondent-PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission. The Commission takes a serious view of this lapse on the part of respondents for taking orders of the Commission in a casual manner and thus, denying the appellant his legitimate right to get the sought for information. Therefore, viewing the delaying attitude of the respondent-PIO, a **Show Cause Notice** under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act 2005, is issued to Shri Harminder Singh Manocha, Principal-cum-PIO to explain the reasons through a duly attested affidavit as to why a penalty at the rate of Rs.250/- per day subject to maximum of Rs.25000/- be not imposed upon him for the delay in the supply of information. He is also afforded an opportunity of personal hearing on the next date of hearing before taking any action.

4. The appellant is directed to be present on the next date of hearing to plead his case.

5. The case is adjourned to **07.01.2021 at 12.00AM for hearing through VC at DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2122 OF 2020

Sh. Varinder Kumar, (9464260038)
H. No. 142, Street No. 6,
Punia Colony, Sangrur.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Public Instructions (Secondary),
Punjab School Education Board Complex,
Phase-8, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary,
Punjab School Education Department,
Punjab Civil Secretariat,
Sector – 9, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Shri Varinder Kumar, the appellant
Shri Tejinder Singh, Sr. Assistant, Educ-III, on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.10.2020.

2. The Appellant states that the information provided by the Respondents is incorrect and incomplete.

3. The representative of the Respondents states that information available in their record has already been provided to the appellant.

4. The RTI application is discussed pointwise in the court. After discussion, the Respondent states that cases of promotion and grant of ACP are being dealt with district level and a detailed reply has been prepared to be sent to the appellant by registered post. The Respondent is directed to supply the detailed reply to the appellant by registered **within 10 days** with a copy to the Commission. He is further directed to be present on the next date of hearing failing which **show cause notice** will be issued under Section 20 of RTI 2005.

5. The appellant is advised to be present on the next date of hearing to present his case.

6. The case is adjourned for **05.01.2021 at 11.00AM for hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID 913428845**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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17.11.2020

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2498 OF 2020

Smt. Surinder Kaur Talwandi, (8968902044)
Panch, Ward No. 3, Gram Panchayat,
Nikku Chak, Block Hajipur,
District Hoshiarpur.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Hoshiarpur.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Respondents.
Shri Rajesh Kumar, Head Constable, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER :

Vide RTI application dated 11.03.2020 whereby the Appellant has sought the information from the PIO O/o The SSP, Hoshiarpur. When no information was supplied by the PIO, she filed first appeal on 01.07.2020 to FFA. Again on getting no information even from the FAA she filed the appeal in the Commission on 07.09.2020.

2. Notice for hearing to both the parties were issued for 17.11.2020.

3. The Appellant nor her representative is present for today's hearing. However, she has emailed in the Commission authorising her husband Shri Ajit Singh Talwandi to appear in the case on her behalf. The appellant is advised to be present on the next date of hearing to present the case.

4. The case is adjourned for **16.12.2020 at 01.00PM for hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID 913428845**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
17.11.2020

Sd/-
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APPEAL CASE NO. 2518 OF 2020

Sh. Amit Kumar, (9814216324)
S/o Sh. Mansha Ram,
House No. 3/290 A, Street No. 8,
Guru Angad Nagar, Kotkapura Road,
Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Education Department (Secondary),
PSEB Complex, Phase-VIII,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority
O/o Education Department (Secondary),
PSEB Complex, Phase-VIII,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

.....Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Shri Amti Kumar, the Appellant
Shri Shri Sandeep Sharma, Senior Assistant(9878287100) on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

Vide RTI application dated 22.11.2019 whereby the Appellant has sought the information from PIO O/o Secretary, Education Department(Secondary, Mohali. When no information was supplied by the PIO, he filed first appeal on 28.12.2019 to FAA. Again when no information was supplied even by the FAA, he filed the 02nd appeal in the Commission on 07.09.2020.

2. Notice for hearing to both the parties was issued for 17.11.2020.

3. The Appellant states that he has just received the information on his WhatsApp half an hour before from the respondent.

4. The Respondent is directed to supply the requisite information duly attested to the appellant by registered post **within seven days** with a copy to the Commission. He is further directed to file a proper affidavit on non-judicial paper attested by the Public Notary from the concerned Respondent PIO on the next date of hearing stating that no more information relating to this case is available in their record except the information already supplied to the appellant.. Copy of affidavit be emailed to Commission for record. He is also directed to be present on the next date of hearing failing which Show Cause Notice will be issued.

5. The case is adjourned to **06.01.2021 at 01.00PM for hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID NO.913428845**. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

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17.11.2020

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2519 OF 2020

Sh. Bikker Singh, (8360400936, 9872042436)
S/o Sh. Mohan Singh,
351-A, Rampura Pind Road,
Ward No. 9, Rampura Phul,
District Bathinda-151103

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Development),
Barnala.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Development),
Barnala.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Shri Bikker Singh, the appellant
Shri Sanjiv Tayal, Distt. Accountant(9815891821), on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER: Vide RTI application dated 05.03.2020 whereby the Appellant has sought the information from the PIO O/o The Addl. DC(D), Barnala.. When no information was supplied by the PIO, he filed first appeal on 25.06.2020 to FFA. Again on getting no information even from the FAA, he filed the appeal in the Commission on 08.09.2020.

2. Notice for hearing to both the parties was issued for 17.11.2020.
3. The Appellant states that the information has not been provided by the Respondents till date.
4. The Respondent states that information available in their record has already been provided to the appellant by registered post on 07.03.2020.
5. The Respondent is directed to again supply the information, legible, correct and duly attested to the appellant by registered post **within 10 days** with a copy to the Commission. He is further directed to be present on the next date of hearing failing which **show cause notice** will be issued under Section 20 of RTI 2005.
6. The case is adjourned to **06.01.2020 at 01:00 PM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 913428845**. Both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2521 OF 2020

Smt. Amritpal Kaur, (9888787415)
D/o Sh. Surjan Singh,
C/o Advocate Preetinder Pal, Councillor,
Chamber No. 136, Judicial Complex,
Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Punjab State Information Commission,
Sector-16, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Punjab State Information Commission,
Sector-16, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Ms. Amritpal Kaur, the Appellant
Shri Sudhir Kumar, SO-cum-APIO, on behalf of the Respondents.
(Telephonically)

ORDER:

Vide RTI application dated 11.09.2019 whereby the Appellant has sought the information from PIO O/o Punjab State Information Commission, Chandigarh. When she felt unsatisfied with the information supplied by the PIO, she filed first appeal on 30.12.2019 to FAA. Again not feeling satisfied with information even from the FAA, she filed the 02nd appeal in the Commission on 08.09.2020.

2. Notice for hearing to both the parties was issued for 17.11.2020.

3. The Appellant has sent a letter in the Commission informing that she is not having a smart phone, with the result, she is unable to attend the case on CISCO WEBEX. Today she also telephoned in the Commission regarding her above problem. In view of this, the appellant and the Respondent are taken over phone but due to some technical hitch in the line hearing could not mature.

4. Both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing to present their case.

5. The case is adjourned to **07.01.2021 at 12.00AM for hearing through VC at DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 4475 OF 2019

Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (9464500405)
Ward No. 18, Street No. 2,
Kartar Nagar, Amlah Road,
Khanna-141401 (Ludhiana).

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub Divisional Engineer,
Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage,
Sub Division No 1, Khanna, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Superintending Engineer,
Punjab Water Supply & Sewerage Circle,
Nabha Road, Patiala.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH WEBEX/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant.
Shri Sukhpal Singh, SDE on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.10.2020.

2. The Appellant emailed to the Commission that inspection fixed for 06.11.2020 could not mature due to sudden fracture in the ankle of his left leg. He further prayed in the email for adjournment of the case and fix another date for inspection.

3. The Respondent agrees with the contention of the Appellant.

4. In view of the above, both the parties are directed to mutually fix a suitable date for inspection before the next date of hearing.

5. The Respondent – PIO is directed to provide the requisite information, if any, legible and duly attested to the Appellant on the spot i.e. during the inspection, under intimation to the Commission. If the Appellant is absent, **it will be presumed that he is satisfied with the provided information** and if the Respondent – PIO is not present then **Show Cause Notice** will be issued to him as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the case is adjourned to **10.12.2020 at 11:00AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 913428845**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
17.11.2020

Sd/-
(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner