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Gurwinder Singh

S/o Mangat Singh, Ward No. 2, Ghagga Mandi, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, Patran, District Patiala.

Complaint Case No. 149 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurvinder Singh (Complainant) 73072-95517 N.K Jindal, PIO-cum-XEN (Respondent) 96461-11084

ORDER:

- 1. The complainant, **Gurwinder Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **27.12.19** and sought information <u>regarding</u>, <u>service book of Sher Singh S/o Amar Singh</u>, <u>Lineman</u> from the PIO o/o **PSPCL**, **Patran**, **Patiala**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **3.2.2020**. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission **18.6.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO-Cum-XEN, N.K. Jindal, stated that the information sought by the complainant is by way of the service book of an employee of the PSPCL, Patran, which is Third Party information. The concerned Third Party has also refused to share the information with the complainant.
- 3. This Commission concurs with the respondent PIO's contention. The information requested, is denied.
- 4. There is no further cause for action and this appeal case is herewith **CLOSED**.

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Ram Pal,

S/o Raunki Ram, Village Bathonia Khurd, Tehsil Rajpura, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Executive Engineer, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, Tehsil Rajpura, District Patiala.

Complaint Case No. 186 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Ram Pal (Complainant) 78146-85187 Gurvinder Singh, Senior XEN (for the Respondent) 96461-10015

ORDER:

- 1. The complainant, Ram Pal, filed this RTI application dated 18.6.19 and sought information regarding the action taken on his application for removal of Electric Wires from his plot from the PIO o/o Executive Engineer, PSPCL, Patiala. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on 18.2.2020. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission 18.6.2020.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Gurvinder Singh, Senior XEN, submitted that a reply was sent to the complainant by Registered Post on 4.9.2019. The complainant, however, contends that he never received any reply. The XEN is directed to hand over an attested copy of the reply earlier sent to the complainant. He must also e-mail a copy of the reply and the postal receipt dated 4.9.2019, to this Commission at the earliest.
- 3. <u>Next hearing on 26.8.2020 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala for compliance.</u>

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Satgur Singh,

S/o Sh. Amarjit Singh, VPO- Daftari Wala, Tehsil Patran, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
District Patiala.
Public Information Officer,
o/o Director, Bureau of Investigation,
Punjab Police Headquarters, Sector 9, Chandigarh.

Complaint Case No. 196 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Satgur Singh (Complainant) 88721-30043 Ramneek Singh, ASI (for the Respondent) 98766-02499

ORDER:

- 1. The complainant, **Satgur Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **4.12.19** and sought information <u>regarding his police verification during the recruitment of Constables</u>, from the PIO o/o **SSP Patiala**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **24.2.2020**. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission **18.6.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Ramneek Singh, contended that the information pertains to the recruitment of constables by the Director, Bureau of Investigation and so the requested record is also vested with Director, Bureau of Investigation. As per the RTI Act, the respondent PIO should have transferred this RTI application to the Director, Bureau of Investigation, within 5 days of receiving it as per Section 6 of the RTI Act. He failed to do so.
- 3. This Commission directs the respondent PIO o/o SSP Patiala to immediately transfer this application to the PIO o/o Director, Bureau of Investigation. Notice for next hearing be issued to the PIO, office of Director, Bureau of Investigation, who must furnish the requested information to the complainant before the next hearing.
- 4. <u>Next hearing on 26.8.2020 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office</u> of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

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Jasbir Singh,

S/o Harbans Singh, Jalal Khera, PO Sular, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Mini secretariat, Block-B, Punjab Police, Patiala. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Inspector General of Police, Patiala Range, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 476 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jasbir Singh (Complainant) 98153-97246 Ramneek Singh, ASI (for the Respondent) 98766-02499

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **31.10.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding service record of a police personnel wearing Belt No. 2011 as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **6.12.2019** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.1.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **18.6.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO represented at this hearing by ASI, Ramneek Singh, contended that the information pertains to serving Police Personnel and exempt from disclosure under Section 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act. This Commission, is however of the view that significant portion of the information requested falls within the realm of public information and can be given to the appellant.
- 3. The respondent PIO is directed to furnish the requested information to the appellant, barring that which is exempt from disclosure as 'Personal Information' (Section 8(1)(J)) or that which is available with the Public Authority in a 'Fiduciary' capacity Section 8(1)(e), at the earliest.
- 4. <u>Next hearing on 26.8.2020 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office</u> of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

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Jasbir Singh,

S/o Harbans Singh, Jalal Khera, PO Sular, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Mini secretariat, Block-B, Punjab Police, Patiala. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Mini secretariat, Punjab Police, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 477 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jasbir Singh (Complainant) 98153-97246 Ramneek Singh, ASI (for the Respondent) 98766-02499

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **31.10.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding service record of a police personnel wearing Belt No.1379 as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **6.12.2019** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.1.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **18.6.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO represented at this hearing by ASI, Ramneek Singh, contended that the information pertains to serving Police Personnel and exempt from disclosure under Section 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act. This Commission, is however of the view that significant portion of the information requested falls within the realm of public information and can be given to the appellant.
- 3. The respondent PIO is directed to furnish the requested information to the appellant, barring that which is exempt from disclosure as 'Personal Information' (Section 8(1)(J)) or that which is available with the Public Authority in a 'Fiduciary' capacity Section 8(1)(e), at the earliest.
- 4. <u>Next hearing on 26.8.2020 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office</u> of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

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Jasbir Singh,

S/o Harbans Singh, Jalal Khera, PO Sular, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Mini secretariat, Block-B, Punjab Police, Patiala. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Mini secretariat, Punjab Police, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 608 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jasbir Singh (Complainant) 98153-97246 Ramneek Singh, ASI (for the Respondent) 98766-02499

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **16.11.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding service record of police personnel bearing Belt No.2154** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **16.12.2019** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **4.2.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **18.6.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO represented at this hearing by ASI, Ramneek Singh, contended that the information pertains to serving Police Personnel and exempt from disclosure under Section 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act. This Commission, is however of the view that significant portion of the information requested falls within the realm of public information and can be given to the appellant.
- 3. The respondent PIO is directed to furnish the requested information to the appellant, barring that which is exempt from disclosure as 'Personal Information' (Section 8(1)(J)) or that which is available with the Public Authority in a 'Fiduciary' capacity Section 8(1)(e), at the earliest.
- 4. <u>Next hearing on 26.8.2020 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office</u> of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

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Jasbir Singh,

S/o Harbans Singh, Jalal Khera, PO Sular, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Mini secretariat, Block-B, Punjab Police, Patiala. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Mini secretariat, Punjab Police, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 895 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jasbir Singh (Complainant) 98153-97246 Ramneek Singh, ASI (for the Respondent) 98766-02499

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **9.12.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding his complaint of **24.9.2019** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **10.1.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **26.2.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **18.6.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Ramneek Singh, stated that the requested information was sent to the appellant earlier but he refused to accept it. The respondent has even been brought to this hearing but the appellant has refused to accept it as "deficient". The appellant is requested to accept the information and list the deficiencies to the respondent PIO as well as this Commission in writing before the next hearing.
- 3. <u>Next hearing on 26.8.2020 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.</u>

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Harvinder Pal Singh Sethi (Reporter),

S/o Mehar Singh, #147/4-B, Chehil Street, Karhah Wala Chowk, Patiala – 147 001.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Paiala. First Appellate Authority, o/o Inspector General of Police, Patiala Range, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 838 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harvinder Pal Singh Sethi (Complainant) 99158-71179 Ramneek Singh, ASI (for the Respondent) 98766-02499

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 11.10.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information regarding action taken on the application dated 28.8.2019 against ASI, Karam Chand as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 20.2.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 20.2.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on 18.6.2020.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Ramneek Singh, stated that the information along with a reply was sent to the appellant on 8.6.2020. The appellant however, stated that he is not satisfied with the information furnished. To this, the respondent explained that the appellant is now seeking information pertaining to some other application he submitted to the office of SSP, Patiala. He contended that all the information pertaining to his complaint of 28.8.2019 against ASI Karam Chand, which is cited in the RTI application, has been handed over to him. The respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of reply and the information furnished to the appellant to this Commission by an email at the earliest. The Commission will take a decision in this appeal case after perusing the information.
- 3. <u>Next hearing on 26.8.2020 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office</u> of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

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Jaswinder Singh,

s/o Surjit Singh, Village Soja, PO Kalemajra, Tehsil Nabha, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Divisional Forest Officer, Patiala. First Appellate Authority, o/o Conservator of Forests, South Circle, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 2802 of 2019 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Parveen Rani, Superintendent (for the respondent). 9988099536. Paramjit Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 99885-07346

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.9.19, 25.10.19, 13.12.19, and 6.2.2020)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **7.3.19** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information, regarding work allotment and funds utilization etc.</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **18.4.2019** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **1.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **6.2.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, Parveen Rani, Suprintendent and Paramjit Singh, Clerk, stated that, as directed by the Commission at the last hearing on 6.2.2020, the appellant deposited a sum of Rs. 1482/- and he was supplied copies of the documents listed by him after inspecting the record on 17.12.19. The appellant however, contended that the documents given to him are deficient and not as per the list given to the respondent.
- 3. Under the circumstances, this Commission directs the respondent PIO to email the following to the Commission:
 - i) The list of documents given by the appellant on 17.12.19.
 - ii) Document-wise pages given to the appellant, with number of pages for each document separately.

The appellant is requested to once again point out the missing pages as per page list of 17.12.2019.

4. <u>Next hearing on 26.8.2020 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.</u>

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