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Sh. Arashdip Singh, S/o Sh. Davinder Singh, House No. 349, Dehriwal, Amritsar-143116. M: 9646152282. RTI Application No. 7642.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority O/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Ms Kulwinder Kaur, Panchayat Secretary o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Tarsika, District Amritsar

Block Development and Panchayats Officer, (By name) Tarsika, District Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1134 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Arshdip Singh, appellant Ms Kulwinder Kaur, Panchayat Secretary 8437016020 on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 09.12.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 08.01.2022 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 04.03.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 19.05.2022.

2. The appellant submits that the respondent-Public Information Officer –cum-Panchayat Secretary is not providing the information related to the demarcation of the road being constructed from Village Dehriwal to Sarja etc. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer Ms Kulwinder Kaur, Panchayat Secretary submits that she is a Public Information Officer in this case. She further submits that the road is being constructed by Punjab Mandi Board information of which has been sought by the appellant. With regard to the demarcation, she submits that no record is available in the PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Sector 16, Chandigarh. Ph: 0172-2864101, Fax 0172-2864110 Helpline 0172-2864100 Email: <u>pcic20@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us:www.infocommpunjab.com Whatsapp No. 62848-20189 -2- Appeal Case No. 1134 of 2022



office. But the appellant submits that he is having the letters in which it has clearly mentioned that the demarcation has been done pertaining to the road.

3. After the hearing is over, the appellant sent the letters of Gram Panchayat in which it is written that the demarcation has been done and other letter in which the Naib Tehsildar Tarsikka informed that during 2021-2022 no demarcation has been done from Road Dehriwal to Sarja.

4. After detailed deliberations with both the parties the directions are issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to clarify the same and also directed to file the reply/supply the information as has been sought by the appellant before the next date of hearing failing which the punitive action will be initiated on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI application is again being **sent** along with this order.

5. Also, a copy of this order is being sent to the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Tarsika along with the RTI application of the appellant to ensure compliance of this order.

6. To come up on 21.6.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar.

Dated:19.5.2022

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Sh. Prabhjot Singh Gill, S/o Sh. Jagjit Singh,
#329, VPO Doda Baja Patti,
Village Doda, Muktsar-152031.
(M: 8146007472) RTI Application No. 8394.

Vs

Public Information Officer O/o Punjab Transparency and Accountability Commission, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o DGR, PB., Chandigarh.

> Appeal Case No. 1135 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Prabhjot Singh Gill, S/o Sh. Jagjit Singh, appellant . Ms Suman m 9855992748 on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 28.12.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 07.01.2022 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 04.03.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 19.05.2022.

2. The appellant submits that he has not received the complete information in this case. However, the representative of the respondent submits that the information as per record has already been supplied to the appellant pertaining to the Point No. 1 to 6 of the RTI application. After going through the reply filed by the respondent, the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to reconsider the reply filed by him pertaining to Point No. 7 & 8 of the RTI application of the appellant and file the same afresh. Regarding Point No. 9 of the RTI application of the appellant, the Public Information Officer-cum-System Manager, o/o Director, Administrative Reforms Department as the said point has been transferred to the said Public Information Officer under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005. However, the appellant further contended that the respondent has not replied as per the official record and there are ambiguities. After discussion with both the parties pertaining to first three points of the RTI application, it has ascertained that the matter can only be resolved once both the parties are present, in person. Also, the appellant submits that he wants to file the point wise rejoinder regarding the sought information. Accordingly, the appellant is directed to file the point wise deficiencies specifically, in this case, before the next date of hearing to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission. Also, the respondent Public Information Officer is directed to remain present on the next date of hearing and in case of compelling circumstances he may depute the person who is well conversant with the facts of the case.

3. To come up on 21.6.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:19.5.2022

sd (Suresh Arora) Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.



....Appellant

....Respondents

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Sh. Ajay Nand/Ajay Kumar Mehta, # C-118, East Mohan Nagar, Chamrang Road, Amritsar (M: 9814646309).

Public Information Officer O/o Chief Secretary, PB, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Chief Secretary, PB, Chandigarh.

> Appeal Case No. 1093 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Vs

ORDER

The case file is being sent to the Registry Branch for reallocation of this case along with this order.

Dated:19.5.2022

sd (Suresh Arora) Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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DR (along with the case file)



....Appellant

....Respondents

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Sh. Inderpal Singh, (M: 7986903363), F-13/167, Friends Colony, Majitha Road, Amritsar.

....Appellant

Public Information Officer O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o EO Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

Sh. Kulwinder Singh, S/o Sh. Hardeep Singh, 2, Sultanwind Road, Prime Roses School, Guru Nanak Nagar, Distt. Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4830 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings) None on behalf of the appellant

Sh. Montu Kumar, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

Present:-

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2022.

Vs

2. Due to the absence of the appellant, the case is adjourned with the directions to make the submissions in this case, if any, before the next date of hearing failing which the decision will be taken ex-parte on merit.

3. To come up on 21.6.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar.

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Dated:19.5.2022

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Whatsapp No. 62848-2 Sh. Tejinder Singh, Chamber No. 602, Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Back side Sanjh Kender, Phillour, Distt. Ludhiana. (M: 9041004313).



Vs

Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa, MTP,Public Information OfficerO/o the Commissioner,Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

Sh. Varinder Mohan, APIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Distt. Amritsar.Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3037 of 2021

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Tejinder Singh, appellant Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa, MTP-cum-Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2022.

2. After hearing both the parties, they are directed to remain present in person with the original record/information supplied on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end. Also, the appellant is directed to establish the public interest involved in seeking the voluminous information. Also Shri Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa Public Information Officer has filed the reply regarding the show cause notice issued to him, which is taken on record and the decision will be taken on the next date of hearing.

3. To come up on 21.6.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:19.5.2022

sd (Suresh Arora) Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.

....Appellant

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Sh. Sukhdip Singh Hundal, #4017, Phase-2, Urban Estate, Patiala. (M: 9814341131).

Public Information Officer, O/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Sh. Manjit Singh, Tehsildar-cum-Public Information Oficer, Amritsar-2, Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 388 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Vs

Present:- Sh. Sukhdeep Singh, appellant Sh. Vishal on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.04.2022.

2. The appellant submits that he has received the complete information except a copy of Intkal No. 1877 pertaining to year 2010 has not been supplied. Video Conference Facility was introduced for the convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application by the respondent casually,Sh. Manjit Singh, Public Information Officer, is, thus, issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay/denial of the information to the RTI applicant and to show cause why a compensation under section 19(8) of the RTI Act,2005, may not be paid to the appellant for causing wilful delay/denial of the information for detriment suffered by him..

In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take a note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

He is also directed to supply the remaining information as enumerated above before the next date of hearing.

3. To come up on 31.5.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar.

Dated:19.5.2022

sd

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab



....Appellant

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Sh. Tejinder Singh, Chamber No. 602, Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Back side Sanjh Kender, Phillour, Distt. Ludhiana-144410. (M: 9041004313).



....Appellant

Vs

Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa, MTP,Public Information OfficerO/o the Commissioner,Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

Sh. Varinder Mohan, APIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Distt. Amritsar.

Sh. Gurpreet Singh Bhatia, Supdt -cum-Public Information Officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, District Amritsar. M 9855285636

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3036 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Tejinder Singh, appellant Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa, MTP-cum-Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2022.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer submits that the information pertaining to Point Number 2 of the RTI application has already been sent to the appellant. He further submits that the information pertaining to Point Number 1 of the RTI application relates to Sh. Gurpreet Singh Bhatia, Supdt-cum-Public Information Officer, who is impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the reply/supply the information in this case failing which the positive action will be initiated on the next date of hearing. The reply has already been received from the Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa regarding show cause notice issued to him, which is taken on record and the decision on the same will be taken on the next date of hearing.

3. To come up on 21.6.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:19.5.2022

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Sh. Rajwinder Singh,26, Nagar Nigam Colony,O/s Gilwali Gate, Amritsar.(M: 9872821947).

....Appellant

Vs

Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhara, MTP-cum-Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

Sh. Dharminder Singh (M: 9646004303),
Public Information Officer-cumEstate Officer,
O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4822 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Rajwinder Singh, appellant. Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa, on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2022.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer submits that he has already supplied the information pertaining to Point No. 2 of the RTI application. Regarding the information pertaining to Point No. 1 of the RTI application, he submits that Sh. Dharminder Singh 9646004303 Estate Officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, District Amritsar is a concerned Public Information Officer.

3. Also a show cause notice was issued to Sh. Dharminder Singh Estate Officer but neither is he present nor any submissions have been received from him.

4. The perusal of the file shows that in this case, application for information was filed on 15.05.2021 but after lapse of around one year, no information has been supplied to the appellant so far. It is, thus apparent from the response of the respondent-PIO that there has

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been delay in providing the information. Appellant had also suffered financial loss in getting the information. There are systemic deficiencies in the manner of receiving and disposing of applications. The department still does not appear to be properly tuned to the performance of its obligations enshrined under the RTI Act.

5. I am, therefore, of the view that ends of justice would be met by awarding a sum of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees ten thousands only) by way of compensation to the Appellant. This amount shall be payable from the State Exchequer before the next date of hearing.

6. Sh. Dharminder Singh, Estate Officer is also directed to remain present on the next date of hearing with the requisite information pertaining to Point No.1 of the RTI application i.e. name of the allottee and plot number along with the original record for the inspection of the appellant i.e. Point No. 3 of the RTI application. It is also clarified that address of the allottee is not to be given as the same is the personal information which is exempted under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. He is also given an opportunity to file the reply regarding show cause notice issued to him failing which the decision will be taken on the same exparte, on merit.

7. To come up on 24.6.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar.

Dated:19.5.2022

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Sh. Tejinder Singh, Civil Court Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillour, Ludhiana. (M: 9041004313).

....Appellant

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4009 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Vs

Present:- Sh. Tejinder Singh, appellant

Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa, MTP-cum-Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2022.

2. After hearing both the parties, they are directed to remain present in person with the original record/information supplied on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end. Also, the appellant is directed to establish the public interest involved in seeking the voluminous information.

3. To come up on 21.6.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:19.5.2022

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Sh. Tejinder Singh, Civil Court Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillour, Ludhiana. (M: 9041004313).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

Shri Manu Sharma DCFA o/o Municipal Corporation, District Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4010 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Tejinder Singh, appellant Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa, MTP-cum-Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2022.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer submits that the information sought for pertains to the accounts branch. He further submits that Shri Manu Sharma DCFA is the Public Information Officer concerned who has to supply the information, who is impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the reply/supply the information failing which the punitive action will be initiated against him on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI application is again sent to him Along with this order.

3. To come up on 21.6.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar.

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Dated:19.5.2022

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Sh. Jagjit Singh,
R/o Aman Nagar,
Street No.3,
B/S Green Land School,
Near Jalandhar Byepass, Ludhiana.
(M: 9914248131).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3856 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:-

None on behalf of the appellant. Sh. Iqbalpreet Singh Randhawa, MTP-cum-Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.03.2022.

2. The appellant has sought the information related to a complaint diary register and complete entry register of Building Branch from 1 January 2019 to 2 June 2021 and the copies of RTI application diary register and RTI application number registered related to Building Branch from 1 January 2019 to 2 June 2021. The appellant is absent without intimation. Therefore, the case is adjourned with the directions to remain present on the next date of hearing along with the original record/information supplied to take the matter to its logical end. Also, it is clarified that in case of absence of any party in this case on the next date of hearing, the case will be decided ex-parte on merit.

3. To come up on 22.6.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:19.5.2022

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Sh. Daljit Singh, S/o Sh. Gopal Singh, R/o H.No. 477/4A, Street No. 00, Hargobind Nagar, Near Hargobind Sahib, Gurudwara Sahib, Distt. Ludhiana. (M: 9592313001).



....Appellant

....Respondents

Sh. Jiwan Garg, **Registered** Public Information Officer, O/o Circle Revenue Officer-cum-Tehsildar East, Distt. Ludhiana. (M: 9872222543).

First Appellate Authority, O/o SDM (East), Distt. Ludhiana.

Sh. Kuldeep Singh, **Registered** Public Information Officer-cum-Tehsildar, Balachaur, SBS Nagar. (M: 9872222543).

Appeal Case No. 2332 of 2021

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Shri Sukhbir Singh on behalf of the appellant. Shri Jeevan Garg, Tehsildar, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.04.2022.

2. The respondent-cum-Public Information Officer submits that the appellant may be directed to inspect the records concerning the sought information which is voluminous. He further submits that he will also be present during the inspection of the record. With mutual understanding, the date of inspection has been fixed as 20th May 2022 at 4 PM. Accordingly, the respondent Public Information Officer is directed to make available the record for the inspection of the appellant and in case any document is identified by the appellant, the same may be supplied to him, duly certified. Also, the appellant is directed to inspect the record on the said date and time failing which the case will be decided ex parte, on merit.

3. Also, Shri Jeevan Garg, Tehsildar submits that the show cause notice was issued to Shri Navdeep Singh Bhogal in this case and he has already filed the reply and requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued to him in this case. The reply of which has already

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been received and the decision on the same will be taken on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that Shri Kuldeep Singh, Tehsildar was not issued show cause notice in this case, therefore, he is exempted from appearance in this case.

4. To come up on 31 May 2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana.

sd

Dated:19.5.2022

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Sh. Vishal Aggarwal, appellant



Sh. Vishal Aggarwal, S/o Amarnath Aggarwal, R/o House No. 519, Mamta Enclave, Dhakoli, Zirakpur, Tehsil Dera Bassi, Distt. Mohali-140603. (M: 9888586003).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer O/o Civil Judge (Sr. Divn.), Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Civil Judge (Sr. Divn.), Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1141 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:-

Sh. Prem Kumari, Supdt and Sh. Ramesh Kumar on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 31.05.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 04.03.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 19.05.2022.

2. Sh. Ramesh Kumar third party involved in this case contended that his personal information pertaining to pay fixation should not be supplied to the appellant. He also submits that he has already made the submissions in the Appeal Case No. 3791 of 2021 and the same may also be considered as reply in this case. Also the same is reiterated by the respondent-Public Information Officer.

3. After hearing the parties, the case is adjourned for further proceedings.

4. To come up on 21.6.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar.

Dated:19.5.2022