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Sh. Sandeep Kumar S/o Sh. Trilok Chand VPO Sukhaar, Tehsil Nurpur, Distt. Kangra (HP)

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Mehla Thana Division-D, Lahori Gate, Amritsar (Punjab)

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o The Commissioner of Police, Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No.2252 of 2022

PRESENT: Sh.Sandeep Kumar as the Appellant'

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 14.03.2022, has sought information regarding action taken on the complaint dated 23.11.2020 as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Mahila Thana Division-D, Lahori gate, Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 20.04.2022, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case last came up for hearing on 22.11.2022 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The respondent present pleaded that the matter relates to FIR No.17 dated 18.03.2021 u/s 406,498-A, Police Station Women Amritsar, and as per their report, an enquiry was conducted, and it was found that the complaint has no merit.

Moreover, a challan has been filed in court and the complaint of the appellant and the enquiry report is attached to the challan filed in the court.

The appellant claimed that his complaint and enquiry report are not in the court file.

Hearing both parties, the PIO was directed to file an affidavit that the information is unavailable in the police file, which usually has three carbon copies. The respondent was also directed to bring the complete record file relating to this RTI application to the Commission on the next date of hearing at Chandigarh

## **Hearing dated 21.12.2022:**

The case has come up for hearing today. The appellant claims that the PIO has not provided the affidavit.

The respondent is absent, nor represented, and has not complied with the order of the Commission.

The earlier order stands. The PIO is given one last opportunity to comply with the earlier order of the Commission, which still stands and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith complete record relating to this RTI application otherwise, the Commission will be constrained to issue show cause notice and initiate action against the PIO under section 20 of the RTI Act.

To come up for further hearing on 13.02.2023 at 11.00 at Chandigarh.

Sd/Chandigarh (Khushwant Singh)
Dated: 21.12.2022 State Information Commissioner

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Sh. Sukhdarshan Kumar, S/o Lt Sh Chaman Lal, # 75 Geeta Vihar, Tharike, Ludhiana.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Sri Raghunath Charitable Hospital, Aggar Nagar, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

## Complaint Case No.469 of 2022

PRESENT: None for the Complainant

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The complainant, through an RTI application dated 24.01.2022, has sought regarding a copy of Bed Head Ticket of admission of Sukhdarshan Kumar information Bawa in the hospital alongwith total bills of medicine and other hospital charges - a copy of the email with timing sent to Aditya Birla sun life Health Insurance as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Sri Raghunath Charitable Hospital Ludhiana. The comlainant was not provided with the information, after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 19.07.2022.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. Both parties are absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on 28.03.2023 at 11.00 at Chandigarh through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022

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Sh Jasbir Singh, Guri Nanak Nagar, Village Bholapur, Jhabewal, P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhaina.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

### Appeal Case No.3318 of 2022

PRESENT: None for the Appellant None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 25.04.2022 has sought information regarding the number of licenses issued for meet shops from the year 2021 -alongwith samples collected and samples found failed – a copy of the receipts of the amount paid for collecting samples - copies of improvement notices issued as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided with after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 25.05.2022, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. Both parties are absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on 28.03.2023 at 11.00 at Chandigarh through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022

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Sh Bhushan Jain, # 392, Street No-3, Nirmal Nagar, Dugri, Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

## Appeal Case No.3366 of 2022

PRESENT: None for the Appellant

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 10.03.2022 has sought a copy of the reply received from Dayanand Medical College and Hospital Ludhiana against notice issued vide letter dated 25.07.2020 and the action taken on reply as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided with after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate the information, Authority on 19.05.2022, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. Both parties are absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on 28.03.2023 at 11.00 at Chandigarh through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022

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Sh Bhushan Jain, # 392, Street No-3, Nirmal Nagar, Dugri, Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No.3367 of 2022

PRESENT: None for the Appellant

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 9.03.2022 has sought information on 06 points regarding the name of department to whom the medical bill of Rs.44319 was sent vide letter dated 10.01.2022 – recommended amount against medical bill of Rs.44319 – detail of recommended amount against the bill of Dayanand Medical College dated 26.09.2020 – rule under which the amount of each item in the medical bill is recommended and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 19.05.2022, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. Both parties are absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **28.03.2023** at 11.00 at Chandigarh through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022

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Sh Bhushan Jain. # 392, Street No-3, Nirmal Nagar, Dugri, Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No.3368 of 2022

PRESENT: None for the Appellant

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 08.03.2022 has sought information on 06 points regarding name of department to whom medical bill of Rs.91083 was sent vide letter dated 10.01.2022 - recommended amount against medical bill of Rs.44319 - detail of recommended amount against the bill of Dayanand Medical College dated 19.02.2021 - rule under which the amount of each item in the medical bill is recommended and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 17.05.2022, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. Both the parties are absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on 28.03.2023 at 11.00 at Chandigarh through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner. Ludhiana.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022

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Sh Charanjit Singh, S/o Sh Gurnam Singh, Vilalge Daulatpur, P.O Bhattian Khurd, Block Malerkotla, Distt Malerkotla.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o BDPO, Malerkotla.

First Appellate Authority, O/o DDPO, Malerkotla.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 92 of 2022

PRESENT: Sh.Charanjit Singh as the Appellant

Sh.Paviter Singh, Panchayat Secretary for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellants' Sh.Charanjit Singh and Sh.Napinder Singh through an RTI application dated 14.09.2021 have sought information on 19 points regarding the activities register of Gram Panchayat Daulatpur from 01.01.2019 to 30.06.2021 - details of the purchase of construction material from the panchayat funds – detail of the material used alongwith copy of the muster roll – the detail of remaining stock of material – the detail of the cash withdrawn alongwith copy of the resolution passed by the gram panchayat for cash withdrawal – a copy of the proceedings for giving panchayat land on lease – income earned on leasing panchayat land alongwith a copy of form No.4 – a copy of the approval/resolution for recarpeting the streets alongwith stock register –copy of order/agenda issued under section 23(3) of Panchayat Raj Act 1994 other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of BDPO Malerkotla. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the first appellate authority on 29.10.2021, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 20.06.2022 through video conferencing at DAC Sangrur. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information.

The case was adjourned.

On the date of last hearing on **18.10.2022**, the appellant claimed that the has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent nor had provided the information. There has been an enormous delay of more than one year in attending to the RTI application, the PIO was issued a **show cause notice under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time and directed to file reply on an affidavit.** The PIO was again directed to provide the information to the appellant immediately as per the RTI Act and send a compliance report to the Commission.

#### **Hearing dated 21.12.2022:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Sangrur. The respondent has brought the information and handed it over to the appellant.

The appellant is directed to point out the discrepancies to the PIO and the PIO to sort out the same.

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However, the PIO has not filed a reply to the show cause notice. As per respondent, Smt.Amandeep Kaur was the PIO when the RTI application was filed and has now been transferred and posted at Rajpura.

Smt.Amandeep Kaur, BDPO-Rajpura(Earlier PIO-BDPO Malerkotla) is given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show cause notice and appear in person on the next date of hearing, for otherwise it will be presumed that she has nothing to say on the matter.

To come up for further hearing on **28.03.2023 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022 Sd/(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

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Sh Harish Kumar, S/o Sh Hari Ram, R/o Nabha Gate, Mandir Shree Banke Bihari, Sangrur.

... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o PSEB. Phase-8, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority, O/o PSEB, Phase-8, Mohali.

...Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 5058 of 2022

Versus

PRESENT: Sh.Harish Kumar as the Appellant

Sh. Harpal Singh, Suptd. for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 17.05.2022 has sought information regarding documents relating to ownership of land or school building submitted by Prem Sabha Shishu Niketan High School Sangrur for getting affiliation (affiliation No.11380) as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Punjab School Education Board, Mohali. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 06.09.2022, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent present pleaded that the information being 3<sup>rd</sup> party, it cannot be provided. The respondent has filed a reply dated 15.12.2022 which has been taken on record.

However, during the hearing, the respondent handed over a copy of the lease deed 31.01.2022 to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. As per the respondent, no more document is available in the record.

Having gone through the document, there appears to be a prima-facie that the information provided is incomplete as the documents sought seem to be missing from the file.

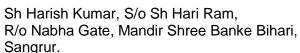
I am marking this to the Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur to file a report that under whose name is this vasika number registered, including details of the revenue record mentioned in the vasika, as well under whose custody this land.

To come up for further hearing on **06.03.2023** at 11.00 AM.at Chandigarh.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022

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... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o PSEB, Phase-8, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority, O/o PSEB, Phase-8, Mohali.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 5059 of 2022

PRESENT: Sh.Harish Kumar as the Appellant

Sh. Harpal Singh, Suptd. for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 17.05.2022 has sought information regarding documents relating to ownership of land or school building submitted by Prem Sabha National Model School Sangrur for getting affiliation (affiliation No.11245) as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Punjab School Education Board, Mohali. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 28.06.2022 (denied being 3<sup>rd</sup> party information ) after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 06.09.2022, which disposed of the appeal on 27.10.2022 upholding the PIO's view.

The case has come up for hearing today. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent present pleaded that the information being 3<sup>rd</sup> party, it cannot be provided. The respondent has filed a reply dated 15.12.2022, which has been taken on record.

However, during the hearing, the respondent handed over a copy of the lease deed 31.01.2022 to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. As per the respondent, no more document is available in the record.

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To come up for further hearing on **06.03.2023** at 11.00 AM.at Chandigarh.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022

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Smt Tarsem Devi, W/o Late Sh Vakil Singh, R/o Villgae Lahri 183, P.O Rattangarh, Tehsli & Distt Pathankot.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Child Development Project Officer, Pathankot.

**First Appellate Authority,**O/o Child Development Project Office,
Pathankot.

.Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 3541 of 2020

PRESENT: None for the Appellant

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 15.07.2020 has sought information regarding a copy of the APR/document where a report of Sarpanch or other officers regarding non-acceptance of old aged Pension by Tarsem Devi is recorded – copy of the order for stoppage of pension and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Child Development Project Officer, Pathankot.. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 17.09.2020 after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 07.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 11.08.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Pathankot.. As per counsel representing the appellant, the PIO did not provide the information.

The respondent present pleaded that the matter regarding deduction/discontinuation of old aged pension relates to District Social Security Officer Gurdaspur.

The PIO-District Social Security Officer, Gurdaspur was impleaded in the case and directed to provide the information to the appellant. A copy of the RTI application was attached with the order for the reference of the PIO-DSSO Gurdaspur.

On the date of the hearing on **15.12.2021**, both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

On the date of the last hearing on **28.09.2022**, bthe parties were absent.

Since PIO-District Social Security Officer, Gurdaspur, was absent on 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive hearing nor had complied the order of the Commission to provide the information., the PIO was issued a **show cause notice under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005** for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time and directed to file reply on an affidavit.

## Hearing dated 21.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Pathankot. Both parties are absent.

## Appeal Case No. 3541 of 2020

As per information, Sh.Naveen Gadwal is the current PIO-DSSO Gurdaspur w.e.f 27.11.2022 and Sh.Harnek Singh and Sh.Rajinder Singh who were the earlier PIOs have retired.

The current PIO is given one more opportunity to provide the information to the appellant as per the RTI application, a copy of which is being sent alongwith the order.

To come up for further hearing on **28.03.2023** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot.

Chandigarh Dated: 21.12.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

CC to: PIO-District Social Security Officer, Gurdaspur.