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Sh. Kuldip Singh, 84274 60800

r/o H.No. 271, 1st Floor,

Sector 78, SAS Nagar Mohali

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o Superintendent, PCS branch,

Punjab Civil Secretariat-1,

Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

o/o Under Secretary, Personnel, Deptt.,

PCS Branch,

Punjab Civil Secretariat-1,

Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1757 of 2020

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Pardeep Kumar, Sr. Asstt. 9530718971, on phone, on behalf of the respondents, in person.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 5.2.2021.

2. The appellant has sent a whatsapp message that information pertaining to one point of the RTI application is still pending to be supplied by the respondent-Public Information Officer and the fact has been admitted by the branch. However, the representative of the respondents assured that the remaining information will also be supplied to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

3. Accordingly, the case is adjourned. To come up on 22.4.2021 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated: 24.3.2021

Sd/

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

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Sh. Navneet Kumar s/o Sh. Parshotam Dass, **Registered**
Village Shama Khanke,
PO Behak Khas,
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka 152 123

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer **(by name)Registered**
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Block Khuiya Server,
Distt Fazilka

First Appellate Authority
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer
Fazilka.

Public Information Officer-cum-**(by name) Registered**
Panchayat Secretary
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Block Khuiya Server, Fazilka

Public Information Officer **(by name)Registered**
o/o the Executive Engineer,
Water Supply and Sanitation Division,
Abohar

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2187 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Gian Singh, Panchayat Secretary 9914400517 9530661000 on behalf of
the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 5.2.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the information pertaining to the RTI application of the appellant has already been supplied but the compensation amounting to Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousands only) is yet to be paid. He has requested for the adjournment of the case and assured that the compensation amount will be paid to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

3. Accordingly, the case is adjourned with the directions to the respondent-Public Information Officer to pay the compensation amount to the appellant before the next date of hearing without fail as per the assurance given by him.

4. **To come up on 28.4.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka/cisco webex.**

sd

Dated: 24.3.2021

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Sh. Manpreet Singh Chhatwal, IAS **Registered**
Director,
Rural Development & Panchayat, Pb.,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62, Mohali

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Sh. Kuljit Singh M 9878436884

S.G. Enclave -1 Majitha Road,

Distt. Amritsar.

..Appellant

VS

Public Information Officer,

o/o, Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Tarsika ,Distt. Amritsar

First Appellate Authority,

o/o, District Development and Panchayat Officer,

Amritsar.

..Respondents.

Appeal Case No. 3356 Of 2020

(Video Conference Proceeding)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Palwinder Singh Supdt 9465813585 o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.3.2021.

2. A request has been received from the appellant through email regarding adjournment of the case. It has also mentioned in the said request that he has received the partial information from the Block Development and Panchayats Officer.

3. Accordingly, the request of the appellant is accepted and the case is adjourned with the directions to the appellant to go through the information and point out deficiency if any, before the next date of hearing. Also the request of the appellant is being **sent** along with this order to the respondent-Public Information Officer with the directions to supply the remaining information pertaining to Point No. 4 & 5 of the RTI application.

4. To come up on 10.5.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar/cisco webex.

Sd/

Dated: 24.3.2021

(Suresh Arora)

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Sh. Gurmej Lal, 9781672776
Street No. 16,
Guru Gobind Singh Nagar,
Backside Bachan Gass Agency
PO DABA.
District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
District Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer (By name) **Registered**
o/o Sub Registrar,
Ludhiana East,
District Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer (By name) **Registered**
o/o the Tehsildar
Ludhiana East,
District Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2250 of 2020
(Video Conference/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Navdeep Singh Tehsildar East Ludhiana 8146718888 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.2.2021.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer requested for the adjournment of the case due to the visit of Chairman, National Commission for Scheduled Castes(NCSC). He has also sent the tour programme of the Chairman, NCSC, which is taken on record.

3. Since, the appellant is also absent and nothing has been received from him, therefore, the case is adjourned.

4. To come up on 22.4.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/Cisco Webex 1587083455.

Dated: 24.3.2021

Sd/
(Suresh Arora)
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Punjab.

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Smt. Kamaldeep Kaur D/o Sh. Pritpal Singh,
VPO - Gumtala,
Opp. Govt. Dispensary,
Ward No 5,
Amritsar. M : 9872139640

..Appellant

Vs

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

Ms. Anayat, PCS
Public Information Officer,
Sub Divisional Magistrate , Amritsar-2
Amritsar.

REGD

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No. 2120 of 2020

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- Ms Kamaldeep Kaur, appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Sub
Divisional Magistrate, Amritsar-2 9814354074 9779720230.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.3.2021.

2. The appellant states that she has received the complete information except the report of the patwari. She also states that she has inspected the complete file and patwari report is not available in the file.
3. The respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Sub Divisional Magistrate, Amritsar-II is absent without intimation. Video Conference Facility/cisco webex facility was introduced for convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the absence of the respondent seriously, Ms Anayat, PCS, Public Information Officer-cum-Sub Divisional Magistrate, Amritsar-II, 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 her for causing wilful delay/denial of the information to the RTI application and to issue show cause for compensation to the appellant for detriment suffered by her under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005.

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. She may take a note that in case she does not file her written reply and does not avail herself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that she has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

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Appeal Case No. 2120 of 2020

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4. After the hearing is over, a reference has been received from the respondent-Public Information Officer bearing No. 253-54 dated 24.3.2021 in which a specific reply has been given to the Commission with a copy to the appellant that no patwari report is available on record. A copy of the same is being **sent** along with this order to the appellant to file the rejoinder, if any.

5. To come up on 15.4.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar/cisco webex.

Dated: 24.3.2021

Sd/
(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

1. Sh. Parampreet Singh Goraya,
Sub Registrar Amritsar-2
Amritsar.
2. Ms. Ritu Daman
Patwari, Ghumtala C/o Tehsildar, Amritsar-2
Amritsar.

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Sh. Ashok Kapoor,
8 C, Kitchlu Nagar,
Ludhiana-141001.
M : 9855556210

Appellant

Vs

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

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2407 of 2020

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Ashok Kapoor, appellant.
Sh. Ranjeet Singh, S.K. 7696681960 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 12.2.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the complete copy of concerned file pertaining to the sought information will be supplied to the appellant before the next date of hearing with which the appellant agreed to.
3. Accordingly, the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to supply the complete copy of concerned file pertaining to the sought information before the next date of hearing and the appellant is advised to go through the same on its receipt and point out deficiency, if any, before the next date of hearing.
4. To come up on 15.4.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

Dated: 24.3.2021

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Punjab.

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Shri Jagpreet Singh, M 9659500036

Village Tungaheri,

Tehsil and District Ludhiana.

Appellant

Vs

Public information Officer, (By name) **Registered**

o/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Pakhowal, Distt. Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

District Development and Panchayat Officer,

Ludhiana.

Sh. Karandeep Chandel,

Public Information Officer –cum-

Panchayat Secretary Tujngaheri,

c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,

District Ludhiana.

Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3504 of 2020

(Video Conference/Telephone Proceedings)

Present: Sh. Jagpreet Singh, appellant on phone.

Sh. Karandeep Chandel, Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondents.
9463685007.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.2.2021.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer handed over 285 pages of information duly certified to the appellant during the course of hearing and after going through the same the appellant requested for the adjournment of the case. Regarding the measurement book, the representative of the respondents states that the same is in the custody of the JE and the Block Development and Panchayats Officer is his controlling officer. Regarding bank statement the respondent-Public Information Officer assured that the same will be supplied to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

3. Accordingly, the Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer is directed to ensure that the copy of the measurement book be supplied to the appellant before the next date of hearing to the appellant. Also the respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Panchayat Secretary is directed to supply the copy of the bank statement(s) as has been assured by him before the next date of hearing.

4. Also the appellant is advised to go through the information supplied during the course of hearing and point out deficiency, if any, before the next date of hearing and the respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Panchayat Secretary is directed to remove the same in case any deficiency is pointed out by the appellant.

5. To come up on 15.4.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

sd

Dated: 24.3.2021

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Sh. Sanjiv Goyal s/o Sh. Ashok Kumar,
148 Model Town,
Phase 1,
Bathinda.

....Appellant

Vs

Sh. Chaman Lal **Registered**
Public Information Officer
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Block Goniana Mandi,
District Bathinda

First Appellate Authority
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer,
Mini Secretariat,
District Bathinda

Public Information Officer (By name) **Registered**
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer
Mini Secretariat,
District Bathinda

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3371 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Sanjiv Goyal, appellant.

Sh. Narotam Singh, Samiti Patwari 9386300007, Ms Ravinder Kaur 9569890430 and Sh. Amarjeet Singh, Clerk 9814100692 o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer Bathinda on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 4.2.2021

2. The appellant states that partial information has been supplied by the office of the District Development and Panchayats Officer, Bathinda and no information has been supplied by the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Goniana pertains to Point No. 1,2, 11 and 12 of the RTI application.

3. After point wise deliberations of the sought information with both the parties, the Public Information Officer o/o the District Development and Panchayats Officer, Bathinda is directed to file the specific reply pertaining to Point No.9 i.e. month wise deployment of total labour and total salary paid thereof, and, Point No. 10 i.e. total amount of pending diet money else file a specific undertaking that no record is available in the office regarding these two points, before the next date of hearing.

4. The respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Goniana is absent without intimation. Video Conference Facility/cisco webex facility was introduced for convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the absence of the respondent seriously, the Sh. Chaman Lal 9781123748, Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Goniana, is, thus, issued a show

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Appeal Case No. 3371 of 2021

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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 wilful delay/denial of the information to the RTI application and to issue show cause for compensation to the appellant for detriment suffered by him under section 19(8) of the RTI Act,2005.

In addition to the written reply, the PIO 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 file the reply/supply the information pertains to Point No. 1,2, 11 and 12 of the RTI application before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 10.5.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Bathinda/cisco webex.

Sd/

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

Dated: 24.3.2021