



Sh. Ramesh Kumar, S/o Sh. Amar Nath,
H No-4-1652, Sardar Nagar,
Opposite Old Central Jail,
Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, (Rural),
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SSP, (Rural),
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3607 of 2020

PRESENT: None as the Appellant
Sh.Manjit Singh, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through the RTI application dated 01.07.20 has sought information regarding a copy of the enquiry report bearing No.1606-IGP dated 06.09.2018 and 581-IGP/2019 conducted by Shl.Harpal Singh, PPD then SP Investigation and Sh.Baljit Singh PPS then SP Headquarter Amritsar and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SSP (Rural) Amritsar. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 07.07.2020 after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 18.08.2020, which took no decision on the appeal.

The case last came up for hearing on 24.03.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The respondent present pleaded that the case is pending cancellation in court.

The Commission received a reply from the PIO through email which was taken on the file of the Commission. In the reply, the PIO has stated that as per the report of the concerned SHO, the case was wrongly registered and the cancellation report has been filed in the court of SDJM Radhika Puri which is pending in the said court and the reply has been sent to the appellant.

The appellant was not satisfied since the appellant wanted the enquiry report dated 06.09.2018 which was conducted by Shl.Harpal Singh, PPS, (then SP Investigation), and Sh.Baljit Singh PPS (then SP Headquarters Amritsar).

The PIO SSP was directed to relook the RTI application and provide the information as per the RTI application.

The case was marked to the SSP to ensure compliance and to provide information as per the RTI Act and if need be, the appellant be called to the office to clarify and resolve the matter. Since case nos 3585/2020, 3587/2020, 3588/2020 & 3589/2020 are also of the same nature the SSP was directed to intervene in the matter and ensure that a suitable reply is filed in each of the mentioned cases.

On the date of hearing on **01.11.2021**, the appellant was absent and vide email has sought exemption on medical grounds. In the said email, the appellant further informed that the PIO has not supplied the information. The case was adjourned.

On the date of last hearing on **02.02.2022**, the appellant informed that PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent.

The case was marked to IGP Border Range, Amritsar to get this case reconciled at the earliest and provide the information as sought under the RTI application, for the information that is being provided is arbitrary and not as per the RTI application.

On the date of last hearing on **29.03.2022**, the respondent present pleaded that copy of orders of SDJM have been provided to the appellants.

As per appellants the PIO had not supplied the enquiry report dated 06.09.2018 which was conducted by Shl.Harpal Singh, PPS, (then SP Investigation), and Sh.Baljit Singh PPS (then SP Headquarters Amritsar).

The RTI application was discussed at length, and after that, both parties had agreed to reconcile the matter. The appellants were to visit the respondent's office and get the available information from the respondent on the spot. If no more information is available regarding this RTI application, the PIO will file an affidavit.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per the respondent, the information has been provided to the appellants.

The appellants are absent and vide letter received in the Commission on 12.09.2022 has informed that he has received the information and requested to close the case.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed**

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

CC to: IGP-Border Range,
Amritsar



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Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SSP, (Rural),
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3589 2020

PRESENT: None the Appellant
Sh.Manjit Singh ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through the RTI application dated 03.08.2020 has sought information regarding copies of statements of witnesses and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SSP(Rural) Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 09.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

On the date of the first hearing on 01.11.2021, the respondent present pleaded that the case is pending cancellation in court.

The Commission received a reply from the PIO through email which was taken on the file of the Commission. In the reply, the PIO has stated that as per the report of the concerned SHO, the case was wrongly registered and the cancellation report has been filed in the court of SDJM Radhika Puri which is pending in the said court and the reply has been sent to the appellant.

The appellant was not satisfied with the reply since the appellant merely wanted the statement of witnesses who appeared during the enquiry proceedings relating to FIR No.83/18 filed in Police Station Raja Sansi.

The PIO was directed to relook the RTI application and provide the information as per the RTI Act.

On the date of the hearing on **01.11.2021**, the appellant was absent and vide email has sought exemption on medical grounds. In the said email, the appellant further informed that the PIO has not supplied the information. The case was adjourned.

On the date of last hearing on **02.02.2022**, the appellant informed that PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent.

The case was marked to IGP Border Range, Amritsar to get this case reconciled at the earliest and provide the information as sought under the RTI application, for the information that is being provided is arbitrary and not as per the RTI application.

On the date of last hearing on **29.03.2022**, the respondent present pleaded that copy of orders of SDJM have been provided to the appellant.

As per appellant the PIO had not supplied the statement of witnesses who appeared during the enquiry proceedings relating to FIR No.83/18 filed in Police Station Raja Sansi.

The RTI application was discussed at length, and after that, both parties had agreed to reconcile the matter. The appellant was to visit the respondent's office and get the available information from the respondent on the spot. If no more information is available regarding this RTI application, the PIO will file an affidavit.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per the respondent, the information has been provided to the appellant.

The appellant is absent and vide letter received in the Commission on 12.09.2022 has informed that he has received the information and requested to close the case.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed**

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

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Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SSP, (Rural),
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3588 2020

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Manjit Singh, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case first came up for hearing on 24.03.2021 through video conferencing at Amritsar. The respondent present pleaded that the case is pending cancellation in court.

The Commission received a reply from the PIO through email which was taken on the file of the Commission. In the reply, the PIO has stated that as per the report of the concerned SHO, the case was wrongly registered and the cancellation report has been filed in the court of SDJM Radhika Puri which is pending in the said court and the reply has been sent to the appellant.

The appellant was not satisfied since the appellant merely wants only copies of applications/memos sent by SSP to police station Raja Sansi for action relating to FIR No.83/18. The PIO was directed to relook the RTI application and provide the information as per the RTI application.

During the hearing, the Commission observed that the official, who had appeared in the Commission on behalf of the PIO did not know the etiquette of appearing in a court hearing. In spite of repeated cautions, the official's phone kept ringing and he kept taking the calls. This behaviour was clearly not acceptable during a hearing, and the commission marked this observation to the SSP for a suitable warning to the official. The SSP may also take necessary steps to educate PIOs about their conduct while appearing for hearings at the commission.

On the date of next hearing on **01.11.2021**, the appellant was absent and vide email sought exemption on medical grounds. In the said email, the appellant further informed that the PIO has not supplied the information. The case was adjourned.

On the date of last hearing on **02.02.2022**, the appellant informed that the PIO has not supplied the information .

The respondent was absent.

The case was marked to IGP Border Range, Amritsar to get this case reconciled at the earliest and provide the information as sought under the RTI application, for the information that is being provided is arbitrary and not as per the RTI application.

On the date of last hearing on **29.03.2022**, the respondent present pleaded that copy of orders of SDJM have been provided to the appellant.

As per appellant the PIO had not supplied the copies of applications/memos sent by SSP to police station Raja Sansi for action relating to FIR No.83/18.

The RTI application was discussed at length, and after that, both parties had agreed to reconcile the matter. The appellant was to visit the respondent's office and get the available information from the respondent on the spot. If no more information is available regarding this RTI application, the PIO will file an affidavit.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per the respondent, the information has been provided to the appellant.

The appellant is absent and vide letter received in the Commission on 12.09.2022 has informed that he has received the information and requested to close the case.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed**

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First Appellate Authority,
O/o IGP, Border Range,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3587 2020

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Manjit Singh, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 20.08.2020 has sought information regarding the decision of IGP Border Range Amritsar on the application dated 25.07.2020 – directions given to SSP to ensure time bound action and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of IGP Border Range, Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 05.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 24.03.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. Having gone through the record, the Commission observed that the RTI application is not legible.

The appellant was directed to submit a typed legible copy of the RTI application to the Commission for the commission to pursue this case further.

On the date of the next hearing on **01.11.2021**, the appellant was absent and vide email sought exemption on medical grounds. In the said email, the appellant further informed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

On the date of last hearing on **02.02.2022**, it was observed that the appellant has not sent a typed legible copy of the RTI application.

The respondent was absent.

The case was marked to IGP Border Range, Amritsar to get this case reconciled at the earliest and provide the information as sought under the RTI application, for the information that is being provided is arbitrary and not as per the RTI application.

On the date of hearing on **29.03.2022**, the respondent present pleaded that copy of the orders of SDJM has been provided to the appellant.

As per the appellant, the PIO had not supplied the information since the appellant wanted what decision was taken by IGP Border Range Amritsar on the application dated 25.07.2022.

Appeal Case No. 3587 2020

The RTI application was discussed at length, and after that, both parties had agreed to reconcile the matter. The appellant was to visit the respondent's office and get the available information from the respondent on the spot. If no more information is available regarding this RTI application, the PIO will file an affidavit.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per the respondent, the information has been provided to the appellant.

The appellant is absent and vide letter received in the Commission on 12.09.2022 has informed that he has received the information and requested to close the case.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed**

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Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SSP, (Rural),
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3585 2020

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Manjit Singh, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 21.07.2020, has sought information regarding a copy of correspondence made/follow up done by the police Station Raja Sansi against Vinod Kumar, Neeraj Kumar and Vikramjit Sharma on the order of the court dated 05.12.2019 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SSP(Rural), Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 25.08.2020, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case was first heard on 24.03.2021 through video conferencing at Amritsar. The respondent present pleaded that the case is pending cancellation in court.

The Commission received a reply from the PIO through email, which was taken on the file of the Commission. In the reply, the PIO stated that as per the report of the concerned SHO, the case was wrongly registered, and the cancellation report has been filed in the court of SDJM Radhika Puri, which is pending in the said court, and the reply has been sent to the appellant.

The appellant was not satisfied since the appellant merely wanted what action/follow up was done by the police on the court's order. The PIO was directed to relook the RTI application, and if any follow up was done by the police, it be provided or replied to as per the status.

On the next hearing date on **01.11.2021**, the appellant was absent and vide email sought exemption on medical grounds. The appellant further informed that the PIO has not supplied the information in the said email. The case was adjourned.

On the date of hearing date on **02.02.2022**, the appellant informed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent.

The case was marked to the IGP border Range, Amritsar to get this case reconciled at the earliest and provide the information as sought under the RTI application, for the information provided is arbitrary and not as per the RTI application.

On the date of hearing on **29.03.2022**, the respondent present pleaded that copy of the orders of SDJM has been provided to the appellant.

Appeal Case No. 3585 2020

As per the appellant, the PIO had not supplied the information since the appellant wants what action/follow up was done by the police on the order of the court.

The RTI application was discussed at length, and after that, both parties had agreed to reconcile the matter. The appellant was to visit the respondent's office and get the available information from the respondent on the spot. If no more information is available regarding this RTI application, the PIO will file an affidavit.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per the respondent, the information has been provided to the appellant.

The appellant is absent and vide letter received in the Commission on 12.09.2022 has informed that he has received the information and requested to close the case.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed**

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner

CC to SSP Amritsar(Rural)

CC to: IGP-Border Range,
Amritsar



Sh Ramesh Kumar, S/o Lt Sh Amar Nath,
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Police Station S.J.S Avenue, Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o IGP, Border Range,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o IGP, Border Range,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2043 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Manjit Singh, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 20.11.2020, has sought information regarding the rules/instruction manual on the basis of which reinvestigation in case No.83/18 filed in police station Raja Sansi as per office memo No.1106/43766/B.R-AC dated 07.12.2019 was ordered, and a copy of the order/rule under which further enquiry can be rejected and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of IGP Border Range, Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 07.12.2020, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on **22.11.2021** through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant claimed that the PIO had not supplied the information.

As per the respondent, the appellant wanted the reinvestigation report, and since the reinvestigation report has been submitted in the court and they do not have such a report, the information cannot be provided.

The Commission did not agree with the respondent's reply as the appellant had asked for a copy of the order/rule based on which reinvestigation was done and a copy of the rule/order vide which further enquiry was rejected.

The case was marked to the SSP, Amritsar (Rural), with the direction to reconcile this case and resolve the matter at the earliest by providing a copy of the rule/order related to the RTI.

On the last hearing date on **02.02.2022**, the appellant informed that the PIO had not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent. The case was adjourned.

On the date of hearing on **29.03.2022**, the respondent present pleaded that copy of the orders of SDJM has been provided to the appellant.

As per the appellant, the PIO had not supplied the information since the appellant wants what action/follow up was done by the police on the order of the court.

The RTI application was discussed at length, and after that, both parties had agreed to reconcile the matter. The appellant was to visit the respondent's office and get the available information from the respondent on the spot. If no more information is available regarding this RTI application, the PIO will file an affidavit.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per the respondent, the information has been provided to the appellant.

The appellant is absent and vide letter received in the Commission on 12.09.2022 has informed that he has received the information and requested to close the case.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed**

**Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022**

**Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner**

**CC to SSP Amritsar(Rural)
Amritsar**



Sh Ajay Nand,
C-118, East Mohan Nagar,
Chamrang Road, Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DCP,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4062 of 2021

Present: None for the Appellant
Sh.Surinder Singh, ASI for the Respondent

Order:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 28.05.2021, has sought information relating to FIRs registered from 01.01.2005 against the officers of the rank of SHO and inspectors of District Amritsar alongwith their names – a copy of the order passed on the inquiry report of the conducted inquiry after FIR was registered. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 12.06.2021 (since the information sought is not specific and does not cover as information under section 2(f) of the RTI Act) after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 19.07.2021 which did not decide on the appeal.

The case last came up for hearing on 12.04.2022 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The respondent present pleaded that they received the RTI application on 01.06.2021 and since the information sought was not specific, the reply was sent to the appellant vide letter dated 12.06.2021 and 07.08.2021.

The appellant was not satisfied with the provided information.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the PIO was directed to provide information on points 1 to 4 if any data is available on record. Further, the PIO was directed to supply a copy of such order relating to point-5 if available on record.

If no information is available, give in writing on an affidavit that no data/information (point-wise) is available on record relating to this RTI application.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC, Amritsar. As per the respondent, the information has been provided to the appellant on 30.08.2022 and the appellant has acknowledged having received the information. The appellant has also sent a letter (dated 27.08.2022) alongwith an acknowledgement of the appellant thereon which has been taken on record.

The appellant is absent nor represented.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed**

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh Anil Gupta,
69, Officers Colony,
Ferozpur City.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DC,
Faridkot.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 279 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Complainant
Sh.Harish Chander –RTI Branch for the Respondent

ORDER:

The complainant through an RTI application dated 18.11.2020 has sought information on 04 points regarding the non provision of employment to the blind in grade-3 after the implementation of reservation rules in PWD – regarding not filling of posts from grade-4 to grade-3 – the period up to which posts will be filled under 1% reservation rules – reasons for violation of PWD Act 1995 & 2016 Supreme court order, High court order, Pb Govt order and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of DC Faridkot. The complainant was not provided with the information after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 04.03.2021.

The case first came up for hearing on 20.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Ferozpur. Both the parties were absent.

The case was adjourned.

On the date of the last hearing on **29.03.2022**, bthe parties were absent.

In the interest of justice, one more opportunity was granted and the case was adjourned.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ferozpur. The respondent present pleaded that since the sought information was not specific, and the appellant was asked to specify the information but the appellant which the appellant hasn't yet.

The appellant is absent on 3rd consecutive hearing nor is represented.

The case is **disposed of and closed** for non-pursuance of the case by the appellant.

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh Prithipal Singh, S/o Sh Sadhu Singh,
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J.T.P.L Township, Sector-115,
Landran Road, Kharar, Mohali.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SGPC,
Teja Singh Samundri Hall,
Sri Darar Sahib Complex,
Amritsar.

... Respondent

Complaint Case No. 258 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Simarjit Singh PIO for the Respondent

ORDER:

The complainant through RTI application dated 09.01.2021 has sought information regarding the copy of a resolution passed by Executive Committee SGPC Amritsar with regard to financial relief of Rs.50000/- to be extended annually to each of 222 Dharmi Fujiz of 1984 dismissed from army service by way of a general court-martial and not getting any govt pension – a copy of the resolution passed by EC SGPC for relief of Rs.50000/- to be extended to each of 43 Dharmi faujis of 1984 dismissed by way of summary court and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SGPC Teja Singh Samundri Hall Amritsar. The complainant was not provided the information after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 01.03.2021.

The case first came up for hearing on 12.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar/Mohali. Both the parties were absent. The PIO was directed to provide the sought information as per record, within fifteen days.

It was also observed that the SGPC is not being duly represented in any of the cases which have come for hearing before this bench in the past, nor has its PIO been filing any reasonable reasons for absence or exemption. The PIO was directed to ensure that the SGPC is well represented during the hearings at PSIC.

On the date of the hearing on **11.11.2021**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent and vide email sought adjournment on the plea that this case is fixed for argument in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on 11.11.2021 (SLP-22350).

On the date of last hearing on **20.04.2022**, both the parties were absent.

The PIO vide email sought exemption stating that he has to appear in a court case before Commissioner Faridkot Division. In the said email, the PIO also informed that the information has been supplied to the complainant vide letter dated 17.11.2021.

The appellant was absent.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per respondent, the available information has already been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 17.11.2021.

Complaint Case No. 258 of 2021

The appellant is absent on the 2nd consecutive hearing, nor represented, nor communicated any discrepancies. It is presumed that the appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed**.

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner



Sh Jasveer Singh, S/o Sh Joginder Singh,
R/o Village Mehga Panj Grayi Hithar,
Tehsil Guru Har Saahai, Distt Ferozepur.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DC,
Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DC,
Ferozepur

... Respondent

Appeal Case No. 756 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Satnam Singh-Suptd. O/o DDPO Ferozepur and Sh.Chanda Singh,
Panchayat Secretary for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 21.07.2020 has sought information regarding a copy of the complaint dated 08.06.2020 filed against Sh.Chanda Singh, Panchyat Secretary-cum-PIO Gram Panchayat, Megha Panj Gharai Block Guruharsahai along with the action taken on the complaint and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ferozepur. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 26.08.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 20.07.2022 through video conferencing at DAC Ferozepur. Both the parties were absent.

The case was adjourned.

On the date of the last hearing on **29.03.2022**, both parties were absent.

In the interest of justice, one more opportunity was granted and the case was adjourned.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ferozepur. As per the respondent, the information has already been provided to the appellant.

The appellant is continuously absent on 3rd consecutive hearing nor is represented.

Since the information has been provided and the appellant is continuously absent on all hearings, the case is **disposed of and closed** for non-pursuance of the case by the appellant.

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

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... Appellant

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O/o DM, PUNSUP,
Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

First Appellate authority,
O/o MD, PUNSUP,
SCO-36-40, Sector-34-A,
Chandigarh,

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 812 of 2022

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Vijay Kumar for the Respondent**

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 10.11.2021 has sought a copy of the the allotment of mandis to inspector and PDC working under PUNSUP from 01.04.2017 to 30.10.2021 – a copy of the physical verification reports of godowns allotted to inspector and PCD and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of the District Manager, PUNSUP, Sri Muktsar Sahib. The appellant was not provided the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 20.12.2021, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 29.08.2022 through video conferencing at DAC, Sri Muktsar Sahib. As per the appellant, the information was not supplied by the PIO.

The respondent was absent nor represented as well as not supplied the information. There has been an enormous delay of more than nine months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission having taken a serious view of this issued a **show cause notice to the PIO 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 directed to provide the information to the appellant as per record and send a compliance report to the Commission.

On the date of the last hearing on **31.10.2022**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent on 2nd consecutive hearing nor has filed reply to the show cause notice as well as not complied the order of the Commission to provide the information.

As per the information, Sh.Manav Jindal was the PIO at the time of filing of RTI application who was under suspension. The present PIO Sh.Sanjeev Kumar Sharma had joined as District Manager, PUNSUP w.e.f. 21.07.2022 but did not file the reply to the show cause notice which was issued on 29.08.2022.

The present PIO was given one last opportunity to file reply to the show cause notice and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing. The PIO was also directed to provide information to the appellant immediately, failure of which would attract penal action under section 20 of the RTI Act.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Sri Mukatsar Sahib. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 15.12.2022 through registered post.

The Commission has also received a reply from the PIO on 23.12.2022, which has been taken on record. It has been mentioned in the reply that since the information was voluminous and due to a shortage of staff in the District office, the information could not be supplied within time.

The appellant is absent nor represented, nor communicated any discrepancies. It is presumed that the appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further interference of the Commission is required. The show cause is dropped and the case **is closed**.

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

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Village Rupana,
Tehsil & Distt Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DM, PUNSUP,
Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

First Appellate authority,
O/o MD, PUNSUP,
SCO-36-40, Sector-34-A,
Chandigarh,

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 601 of 2022

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Vijay Kumar for the Respondent**

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 08.11.2021 has sought information regarding number of godowns, the quantity of wheat / rice stored in each godown, the quantity of wheat/rice allotted to shellers from each godown from 01.04.2019 to 31.10.2021 – a copy of physical verification report of each godown – total number of inspections and PDCs working under Mutsar Centre and list of mandis allotted to each inspector/PDC and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of the District Manager, PUNSUP, Sri Muktsar Sahib. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 11.12.2021 which did not decide on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 29.08.2022 through video conferencing at DAC, Sri MUKtsar Sahib. As per the appellant, the information was not supplied by the PIO.

The respondent was absent nor represented as well as not supplied the information. There has been an enormous delay of more than nine months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission having taken a serious view of this issued a **show cause notice to the PIO 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 as per record and send a compliance report to the Commission.

On the date of last hearing on **31.10.2022**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent on 2nd consecutive hearing nor had filed reply to the show cause notice as well as not complied the order of the Commission to provide the information.

As per information, Sh.Manav Jindal was the PIO at the time of filing of RTI application who was under suspension. The present PIO Sh.Sanjeev Kumar Sharma had joined as District Manager, PUNSUP w.e.f. 21.07.2022 but did not file the reply to the show cause notice which was issued on 29.08.2022.

The present PIO was given one last opportunity to file reply to the show cause notice and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing. The PIO is also directed to provide information to the appellant immediately ,failure to which will attract penal action under section 20 of the RTI Act.

Appeal Case No. 601 of 2022

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Sri Mukatsar Sahib. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant by hand on 15.12.2022.

The appellant is absent, and vide email has informed that he has received the information and his appeal case be closed.

The PIO has sent a reply to the show cause notice dated 15.12.2022 which has been taken on record. It has been mentioned in the reply that since the information was voluminous as well as due to a shortage of staff, the information could not be supplied within time.

Since the information has been supplied and the appellant does not want to pursue the case further, the show cause is dropped and the case is **disposed of and closed**.

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh P.C Sahotra,
H NO-160, Sector-21,
Panchkula.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Department of
Social Security and Development of Women and Children,
Pb, Sector-34-A, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 347 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Complainant
Ms.Promila- CDPO Amritsar and Smt.Meena Kumar(earlier PIO-CDPO Asr)
for the Respondent

ORDER:

The complainant, through an RTI application dated 17.02.2020 has sought information regarding a Copy of report No.1549 dated 02.09.2019 in respect of the case of Savita Kumari V/s Rajat Sahotra under DV Act 2005 submitted by CDPO-II Amritsar to the court of Smt.Ambika Sharma JMIC District Court, Amritsar and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Department of Social Security and Development of Women and Children, Pb Chandigarh. The complainant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 28.02.2020 after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 18.03.2021.

The case was first heard on 08.09.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. The complainant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent was absent without any legitimate reasons for the absence.

Having gone through the reply of the office of Child Development Project Officer, Amritsar, in which the officer had simply denied the information by invoking section 8(1) of the RTI Act was found vague since in the reply, there was no speaking order that why the officer has chosen to use this exemption.

Given the above, there was prima-facie evidence of PIO denying the information intentionally. The PIO was issued a **show-cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information deliberately and holding the information mala-fidely and directed to file a reply on an affidavit.**

On the date of hearing on **03.01.2022**, both the parties were absent. The Commission received a copy of a letter dated 11.10.2021 of the Joint Director-cum-PIO O/o Director Social Security and Development of Women & Children vide which the Joint Director had directed the PIO-Child Development Project Officer, Amritsar Urban-2 to appear before the Commission on 03.01.2022 alongwith all documents.

The PIO was directed to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and appear personally before the Commission on the next date of hearing along with the reply to the show-cause notice on an affidavit. PIO to also inform who was the PIO at the time of filing of RTI and on the date of issue of show cause notice.

On the date of last hearing on **19.04.2022**, Ms.Rajwinder Kaur, CDPO Amritsar appeared and informed that she is the PIO in this case and had brought the information. The respondent further informed that she had just joined the duty on 19.01.2022 and earlier Smt.Meena Devi was the PIO-cum-CDPO and the delay was occurred on her part.

Complaint Case No. 347 of 2021

The complainant was absent.

The PIO was directed to send the information to the complainant through registered post with a copy to the Commission.

Smt.Meena Kumari (earlier PIO) however, did not file reply to the show cause notice. Smt.Meena Kumar (earlier CDPO) was given one last opportunity to file reply to the show cause notice and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing otherwise it will be presumed that she has nothing to say on the matter and the Commission will take penal action against the PIO as per provisions of section 20 of the RTI Act.

Hearing dated 27.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. Ms.Promila-current PIO-cum-CDPO and Smt.Meena Kumar, earlier PIO-CDPO Amritsar are present. The respondent present pleaded that the information has already been provided to the appellant on 19.04.2022.

The complainant is absent and vide email has informed that he has received the information.

The Commission has also received a reply of Mrs.Meena Kumari,earlier CDPO-cum-PIO, which has been taken on record. It has been mentioned in the reply that she remained as CDPO Ammritsar-2 as an additional charge from 27.05.2021 to 18.01.2022. They received the RTI application of the complainant from the Department of Social Security and Development of Women & Children, Pb Chandigarh and the reply was sent to the appellant vide letter dated 28.02.2020. Thereafter, in compliance of the order of the Commission dated 09.09.2021, the information was sent to the complainant vide letter dated 14.09.2021 and 23.09.2021. It has further been mentioned in the reply that after her transfer, Ms.Rajwinder Kaur CDPO Amritsar took charge and appeared before the Commission on 19.04.2022 and supplied the complete information after sorting out the deficiency.

Since the information has been provided, I accept the plea of the PIO and drop the show cause. No further interference of the Commission is required.

The case is **disposed of and closed.**

Chandigarh
Dated: 27.12.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

CC to PIO-cum-Child Development Project Officer,
Amritsar Urban-2, Amritsar.