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FINAL ORDER

Gurleen Singh (Advocate),
Chamber No.154, Tehsil Sunam,
Udham Singh Wala,
Sangrur.

Versus

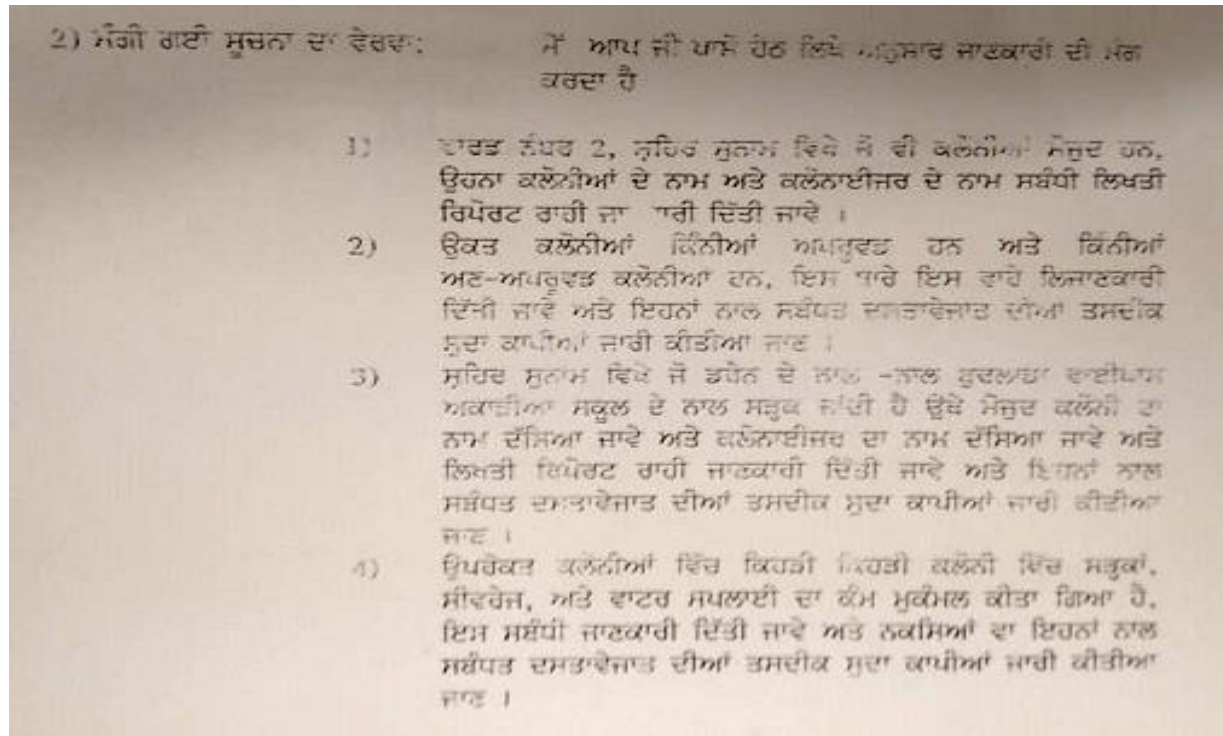
Public Information Officer,
o/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Committee, Sunam,
Sangrur.

Complaint Case No. 764 of 2020

PRESENT:
(Complainant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **4.2.2021, 16.9.2021, 14.12.2021, and 6.4.2022**)

1. The complainant, **Gurleen Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **8.8.2020** and sought information:



from the **PIO o/o Patiala Development Authority, Patiala**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **8.10.2020**. The case was last heard on **6.4.2022**.

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Complaint Case No. 764 of 2020

2. This Complaint Case was reserved on 6.4.2022, whereon both parties were absent. It is also notable that the Complainant Sh. Gurleen Singh, has not attended a single hearing of this Complaint Case. The Commission has examined the case file and notes that a reply was infact sent to the Complainant vide Letter No. 6520 Dated 24.9.2020. A copy of the same has been submitted to the Commission in response to the Notice of Hearing sent to the respondent on 22.12.2020.

3. This is a Complaint Case and the only question before this Commission is whether there was any malafide intent on the part of the respondent PIO to delay/deny the information in the RTI application. Taking note of all the correspondence between the respondent PIO and the Complainant available in the case file, this Commission is of the view that there was no malafide intent on part of the respondent. This Complaint Case is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Sukhdev Singh Manuke,
Village Manuke,
Tehsil Jagraon, District Ludhiana – 142 034

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Additional Chief Secretary,
Home Affairs and Justice Department Punjab,
Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer,
o/o Additional Chief Secretary, **Home-1,**
Home Affairs and Justice Department Punjab, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer,
o/o Additional Chief Secretary, **Home-3,**
Home Affairs and Justice Department Punjab, Chandigarh.

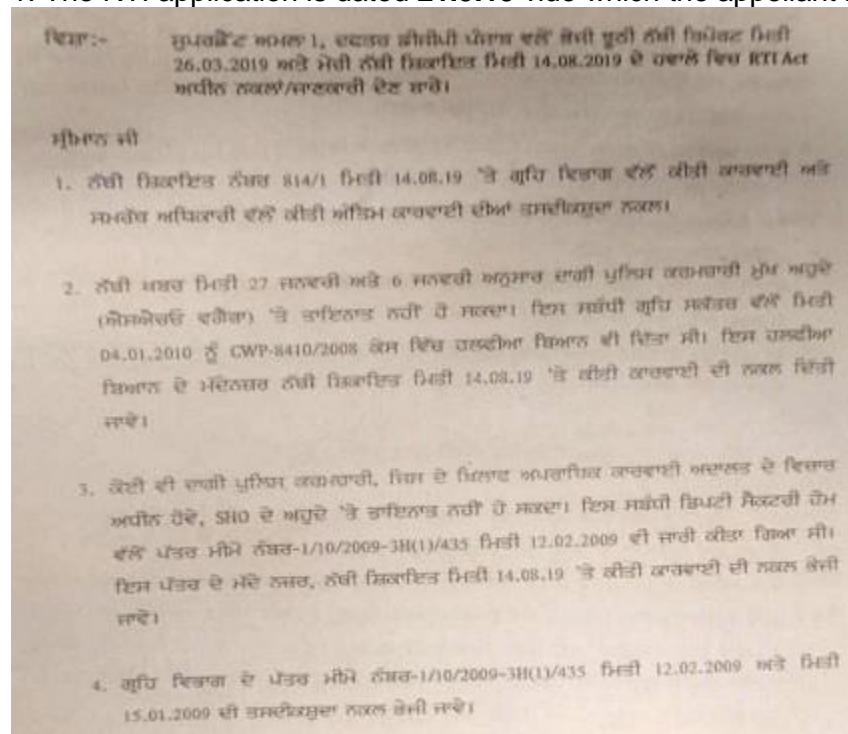
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Home Department Punjab, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 277 of 2020

PRESENT:
(Appellant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **4.3.2020, 4.12.2020, and 18.2.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **21.9.19** vide which the appellant has sought information:



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Appeal Case No. 277 of 2020

2. Order in this case was reserved on 18.2.2022. As directed at the hearing on 4.12.2020, the PIO has submitted the complete sequential correspondence with the appellant along with the information supplied, to the Commission. The Commission has examined the same and is of the view that the respondent PIO had infact provided a suitable reply to, the RTI application along with the information requested by the appellant. The respondents reply and information is available on the case file and in case the appellant so requires, he can collect the same from the office of this Bench on any working day.

3. This Appeal Case is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Mohammad Hanif,
Baldev Colony, Nabha,
District Patiala – 147 201

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Home Secretary,
2nd Floor, Punjab Mini Secretariat,
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer,
o/o Punjab Waqf Board,
SCO 1062-1063, Himalaya Marg,
Sector-22 B, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Home Secretary,
2nd Floor, Punjab Mini Secretariat,
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 126 of 2020

PRESENT:
(Appellant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **5.3.2020, 4.12.2020, and 18.2.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **3.7.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information:

ਜੈਸੀ ਗੁਪਤੀ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ -
1) ਫੋਰਮ ਨੰਬਰ 14 (1)(C) ਵਲੋਂ ਮਾਮਲਾ ਕੀਤੇ ਜੋਖਮ ਦਾ ਵਿੱਗੜਾ
ਮਾਮਲਾ ਨੰਬਰ, ਏਚ-ਏਚ ਖੇਤਰ ਦੇ ਅਠੱਚੇ ਦੇ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਨੰਬਰ, ਏਚ-ਏਚ
2) 14 (1)(C) ਵਲੋਂ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਜੈਸੀ ਵਿਰੁੱਧ ਲੀਮਾ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਮੰਡਲ ਵਲੋਂ
ਜੋ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਮੰਡਲ ਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਡਿਜ਼ਾਈਨ ਦੀ ਡਾਕੂਮੈਂਟਰੀ ਸਾਬਤ
3) 14 (2) ਵਲੋਂ M.L.A ਜੋ ਮਾਮਲਾ M.L.A ਜੋ M.P ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
4) 14 (1)(C) ਵਲੋਂ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਮਾਮਲਾ ਜੋਖਮ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ ।
18 ਮਾਰਚ 2017 ਤੋਂ 30 ਨਵੰਬਰ 2019 ਤੋਂ ਮੈਂਬਰਾਂ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਫੋਰਮ ਦੀ
ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਦੀ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ
1) ਮਾਮਲੇ ਨੰਬਰ 14 (1)(C) ਵਲੋਂ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਮਾਮਲਾ
ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਫੋਰਮ ਦੀ ਸੂਚੀ 2017 ਤੋਂ ਸੂਚੀ 2019 ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
2) ਫੋਰਮ ਦੀ ਸੂਚੀ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
3) ਮਾਮਲੇ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
4) ਫੋਰਮ ਦੀ ਸੂਚੀ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
5) ਫੋਰਮ ਦੀ ਸੂਚੀ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
6) ਫੋਰਮ ਦੀ ਸੂਚੀ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
7) ਜੋਖਮ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਨੰਬਰ 14 (1)(C) ਵਲੋਂ ਮਾਮਲੇ T.A, M.A ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ
ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
8) ਫੋਰਮ ਦੀ ਸੂਚੀ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ
9) ਫੋਰਮ ਦੀ ਸੂਚੀ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਦਾ ਫੋਰਮ

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Appeal Case No. 126 of 2020

as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **18.11.2019** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **30.12.2019** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **18.2.2021**.

2. The Order in this case was reserved on 18.2.2021. At the previous hearing on 4.12.2020, the appellant was asked to list the specific points of his RTI application pertaining to which information is still deficient, as per his email Dated 2.12.2020. As per the appellant's email Dated 6.2.2021, the information sought from the Department of Home has still not been received. However, the PIO, Department of Home, has submitted a copy of his reply sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 412 Dated 26.2.2020, along with the information supplied by way of duly attested copies. This was received in the Commission vide Letter No. 1585 Dated 9.12.2020. The Commission has examined the same and is of the view that this adequately addresses this RTI application.

3. This Appeal Case is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

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FINAL ORDER

Mohammad Hanif,
Baldev Colony, (G.T.B. Nagar),
Near Central Vidiyala, Nabha,
District Patiala-147201

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Additional Chief Secretary,
Department of Home Affairs and Justice Department,
Punjab, Chandigarh.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Chief Secretary, Punjab Government,
Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 4144 of 2019

PRESENT:
(Appellant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **23.1.2020, 4.12.2020, and 18.2.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **4.7.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information:

3. ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ. ਐਕਟ 2005 ਅਧੀਨ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਦਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ

ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰਬਰ ਪੀ/5 ਮਿਤੀ 07.05.3019 ਨੂੰ ਮੁੱਖ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ, ਗਵਰਨਰ ਪੰਜਾਬ, ਗ੍ਰਹਿ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਪੰਜਾਬ, ਨੂੰ ਵਕਫ ਐਕਟ ਦੀਆਂ ਧੱਜੀਆਂ ਉੱਡਾ ਕੇ ਬਣਾਏ ਗਏ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵਕਫ ਬੋਰਡ ਦੇ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਖਿਲਾਫ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਕਰਨ ਸੰਬੰਧੀ ਪੱਤਰ ਤੇ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਦੀ ਮੁਕੰਮਲ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਦੀਆਂ ਤਸਦੀਕ ਸ਼ੁਦਾ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ।

as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **16.8.2019** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **5.11.2019** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **18.2.2021**.

2. Order in this case was reserved on 18.2.2021. As directed in the Order Dated 4.12.2020, the respondent PIO has submitted a copy of the sequential correspondence with the appellant along with the information supplied to the appellant. The Commission has examined the same and is of the view that this adequately addresses the RTI application.

3. There is no further cause for action and this Appeal Case is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Sandeep Wadhwa,
S/o Sh. Ram Chand Wadwam,
385, Bank Enclave,
District Jalandhar.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o K.L. Saigal Memorial Trust,
District Jalandhar.

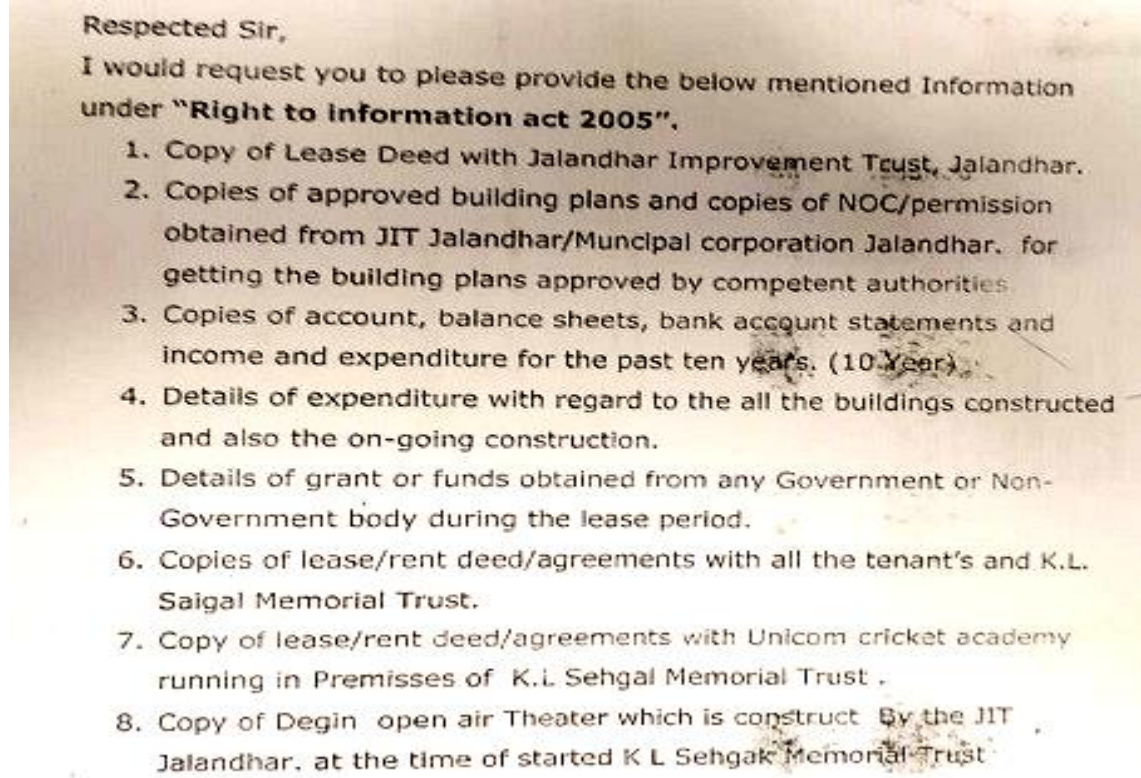
First Appellate Authority,
o/o K.L. Saigal Memorial Trust,
District Jalandhar.

Appeal Case No. 4864 of 2021

PRESENT:
(Appellant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **5.1.2022**)

1. The RTI application is dated **17.3.2021** vide which the appellant has sought Information:



as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **10.5.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.10.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **5.1.2022**.

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Appeal Case No. 4864 of 2021

2. Order in this case was reserved on 5.1.2022, whereon the respondent PIO K.L. Sehgal Memorial Trust, Jalandhar made a written submission as under:-

“K.L. Saigal Memorial Trust is a Memorial Trust established in the memory of the legendary singing icon Mr. Kundan Lal Sehgal. The Trust from the day of its establishment devoted itself to propagate music and art for which Mr. K.L. Saigal devoted his entire life. K.L. Sehgal Memorial Trust is a registered trust registered on 2.6.2011 as DIC/Jalandhar 287/2011-12 and is having its registered office Opp. TV Studio, Shaheed Udham Singh Nagar, Mahavir Marg, Jalandhar. M/s K.L. Saigal Memorial Trust, Jalandhar is a Private Charitable Trust and from the very day of inception the said Trust is being managed by Private Trustees who have been contributing substantial funds to it for running it. Trust thereafter created, erected and established an auditorium and the bank etc. for generating the funds to augment resources for running the said institute. No finance is being made by any Government or Government sponsored Agencies to the Trust.”

3. The respondent's contention that K.L. Sehgal Memorial Trust, Jalandhar is a Private Charitable Trust and therefore, not within the purview of the RTI Act, 2005, is herewith upheld. This Appeal Case is accordingly **Dismissed**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Appeal Case No. 3979 of 2020

as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **16.8.19** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.10.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **6.10.2021**.

2. Order in this case was reserved on 6.10.2021, whereon, the respondent PIO was directed to submit a list of PIOs since the filing of RTI the application. The Commission, however, notes that the appellant Sh. Sarabjeet Singh, Gill, has not appeared for a single hearing of this Appeal Case or in several other of his Appeals pending before this Commission. The appellant has been advised to appear in person in atleast one hearing in Order to establish his identity. The appellant has consistently failed to appear at any of the hearings whether by Video Conference or in person. At the hearing on 2.7.2020, the respondent PIO, represented by ASI, Avtar Singh was directed to submit a written reply to the 3 points enumerated in this RTI application in the form of duly notarized affidavit. The respondent PIO has failed to comply this.

3. The respondent PIO-cum-SHO, PS, Daba, Distt. Ludhiana, is given a final opportunity to submit the aforesaid affidavit to the Commission. This must be done within 30 days of this Order. Copy of this Order be sent to the registry branch for follow up of compliance. The Appeal is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Cc: Deputy Registrar, for follow up of compliance.

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FINAL ORDER

Krishan Lal (advocate),
S/o DarshanLal,
B1/171, Mohalla Chaudhrian, Near Shiv Mandir,
Tehsil Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Police Commissioner,
District Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Police Commissioner,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2784 of 2019

PRESENT :
(Appellant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 5.9.19, 25.9.19, 6.11.19, 27.12.19, 19.2.2020, 23.9.2020, 12.11.2020, 15.1.2021, 13.8.2021, and 23.2.2022)

1. The RTI application is dated **8.4.19** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding complaint against ASI Jawala Parshad**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **15.5.19**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **10.7.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **23.2.2022**.
2. Order in this case was reserved on 23.2.2022 when both parties were absent. At the previous hearing on 13.8.2021, Show Cause Notice was issued to the respondent PIO. The PIO-cum-SHO, PS, Salem Tabri, Ludhiana has submitted a pointwise reply to the RTI application vide Letter No. 59-5/A-Salem Tabri, Dated 25.2.2022.
3. The Commission has examined said reply alongside the RTI application and is of the view that this adequately addresses the request for information. This Appeal Case is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Jasbir Singh,
Village Bolapur,
Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh,
District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority
o/o State Transport Commissioner Punjab,
SCO No. 174-175, Sector-17,
Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 2410 of 2019

PRESENT :
(Appellant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **21.9.19, 25.9.19, 6.11.19, 27.12.19, and 19.2.2020**)

1. The RTI application is dated **13.8.2018** vide which the appellant has sought information:

(3)- Particulars Of information required-- ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਪਬਲਿਕ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਅਧਿਕਾਰੀ ਕਮ ਸਕੱਤਰ, ਰੀਜਨਲ ਟ੍ਰਾਂਸਪੋਰਟ ਅਥਾਰਟੀ, ਜਿਲਾ ਫਰੀਦਕੋਟ ।

(1):- ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਮਾਨ ਜੀ ਜਨਵਰੀ ਸਾਲ 2010 ਤੋਂ ਲੈ ਜੁਲਾਈ 2018 ਤੱਕ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ ਦੇ ਫਾਰਮ "ਕ" ਰੂਲ 4(6) ਦੇ ਤਹਿਤ ਲਗਾਏ ਗਏ ਕੈਸ਼ ਰਜਿਸਟਰ ਦੀ ਤਸਦੀਕਸੂਦਾ ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ ।

as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **13.5.2019**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **4.7.2019** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **19.2.2020**.

2. Order in this case was reserved on 19.2.2020. In a previous hearing Dated 6.11.2019, the respondent PIO, office of Secretary, RTA, Faridkot, was issued a Show Cause Notice. He has submitted a reply to said Show Cause Notice, which was received via email on 29.6.2021, explaining the delay in providing the information. He also states that the requested information was supplied to the appellant vide Letter No. RTA/F/5489 Dated 29.6.2021. A copy of said reply has also been appended.

3. In view of the above, the Appeal is **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Jasbir Singh,
Village Bolapur,
Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh,
District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab
SCO No. 174-175, Sector-17, Near Mehfil Hotel,
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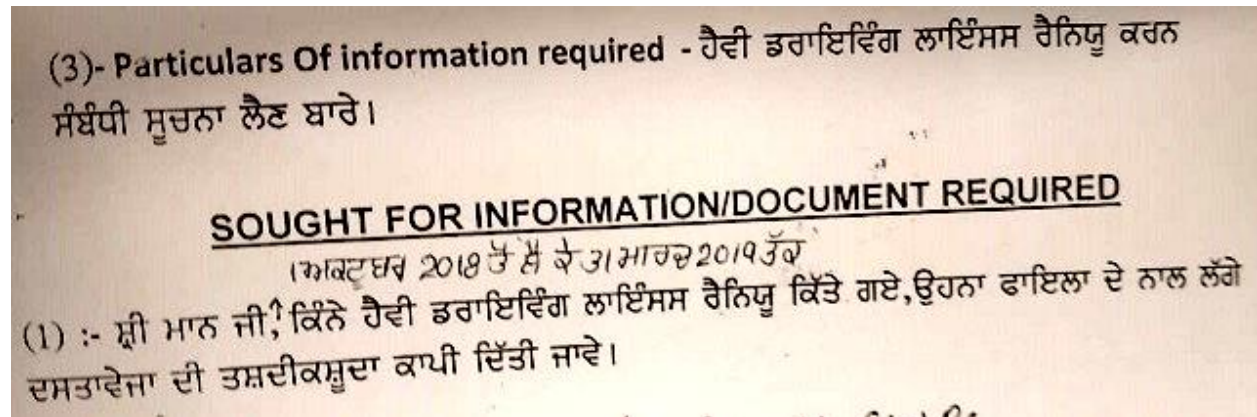
Appeal Case No. 2741 of 2019

PRESENT :
(Appellant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **29.8.19, 25.9.19, 6.11.19, 27.12.19, and 19.2.2020**)

1. The RTI application is dated **25.3.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information:



as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **23.4.2019**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **29.7.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **19.2.2020**.

2. Order in this case was reserved on 19.2.2020. In a previous hearing Dated 27.12.2019, the respondent PIO, office of Secretary, RTA, Faridkot, was issued a Show Cause Notice. He has submitted a reply to said Show Cause Notice, which was received via email on 29.6.2021, explaining the delay in providing the information. He also states that the requested information was supplied to the appellant vide Letter No. RTA/F/5491 Dated 29.6.2021. A copy of said reply has also been appended.

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Appeal Case No. 2741 of 2019

3. In view of the above, this Appeal Case is **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Shambu Nath Sood,
S/o Bal Krishan Sood,
515, Rama Street, (Near Arya Girls School),
Arya School Road, Moga.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Moga.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Moga.

Third Party,
o/o R.K.S. Sen. Secondary Public School,
Anand Nagar, Shivala Soodan,
Main Bazar, Moga – 142 001

Appeal Case No. 4337 of 2021

PRESENT:
(Appellant)
(Respondent)

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **20.5.2022, 29.7.2022, 6.10.2022, and 22.11.2022**)

1. The RTI application is dated **1.4.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information:

4. (a) Subject Matter of the Information required : सिद्धान्त नगर, गेठ धाकाव, मोगा के
अंदर रहे R.K.S Public School का कबला फल बहालित कही दूसरे
सिद्धान्त नाम विद्युत गुरु दफे नवंबर 2014 दिवस से नई योजना पंडित सिद्धा
गिमा नी सिद्धा की बाकी भाग नी दे रखे दफे RTI Act, 2005 भागीक
भागीक सिद्धा कागजि कू सिद्धा गयी है (बाकी कागजि है) सिद्धा की
उपरीक कुरा बाकी RTI Act भागीक सुपरीक बहालित करे। सिद्धा भाग
कू सिद्धा कागजि है कि नरे वर सिद्धा नई योजना दिवस से सिद्धा गिमा
है कि सिद्धा कुरा सिद्धा नई योजना देर दफे की भागि है भादे सिद्धा सिद्धा
नगुरा कुरी वीडि है उं नयनर है कि नरे की नगुरा कू गण्डर दैग
कुरा वगीरिमा उदिमा सिद्धा गिमा है। सिद्धा उं सिद्धा गण्डर सिद्धा की
सिद्धा सिद्धा बाकी बहालित वीडि काही है। सिद्धा कुरी दिवस सिद्धा सिद्धा
कुरा सिद्धा उं दे धाकनर देर सिद्धा सिद्धा उं भादे सिद्धा
सिद्धा RTI Act, 2005 भागीक सुपरीक बहालित बहालित है। सिद्धा
कागजि सिद्धा उपरीक कुरा बाकी सिद्धा कागजि उं नरे सिद्धा सिद्धा
बहालित वीडि नरे। सिद्धा ।

as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.5.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.9.201** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **22.11.2022**.

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2. Order in this case was reserved on 22.11.2022. In a previous hearing on 6.10.2022, the respondent PIO has sent a reply to the Commission vide Letter No. 116 Dated 29.7.2022 along with requested information in a sealed cover.

3. Meanwhile, in an earlier hearing on 29.7.2022, the stated third party, R.K.S. Senior Secondary Public School, has made a written submission refusing disclosure of the requested information on the plea that R.K. Sr. Secondary Public School is not a Public Authority as defined in Section 2(f) of the RTI Act, 2005.

4. The Commission however, notes that the requested information has not been sought from the stated third party, but from the PIO, office of Commissioner, MC, Moga, which is infact a Public Authority as per the RTI Act. The requested information is held by the said Public Authority pursuant to statutory requirements. Moreover, the appellant has successfully argued that the disclosure of said information is in the larger public interest and pertains to serious allegations of corruption. The requisite information has already been submitted to the Commission. The same can be collected by the appellant at his convenience on any working day from the office of this Bench.

5. This Appeal Case is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh
30.12.2022