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Sh. Hassan Sardar

S/o Sh. Hasan Raj Maforia,
Mofar Residence,
Village Mansa Khurd, Khaila Side,
PO, Tehsil & District Mansa
(M:9814030742)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Registrar,
Punjabi University,
Patiala

First Appellate Authority

O/o Registrar,
Punjabi University,
Patiala

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4284 of 2024

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Advocate, Sh. Vikrant Sharma (9814105515) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.11.2024.

2. The applicant is absent, but he has sent the written submissions to adjourn the case. However, the Counsel of the respondent submits that information as available on record has already been supplied to the applicant and nothing more is available on record which could be supplied to the applicant. He further requested to close the case. Since the applicant is absent, therefore one last opportunity is granted to him to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided, ex parte on merit.

3. To come up on **23.04.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:02.01.2025

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New Vishnu Puri, New Shivpuri Road,
Post Office Basti, Jodhewal, Ludhiana
(M:9815466796)

..Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Ludhiana

..respondent(s)

Complaint Case No. 273 of 2023

Present : Advocate, Sh. Surinder Pal, the complainant.
Sh. Ravi Kumar Sood, Constable (9888430990) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 20.02.2023 whereby the information-seeker has sought information as mentioned in his RTI application. He filed complaint in the Commission on 21.04.2023 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act)

2. The complainant made the submissions that he has filed the RTI application on 20.02.2023, whereas the respondent sent the reply on 26.12.2024, and requested that the penalty be imposed upon the public information officer, as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. However, the respondent submits that response with regard to the RTI application has already been sent to the complainant.

3. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the respondent PIO, Sh. Raman Deep Singh, ADCP-3, Amritsar is directed to remain present on the next date of hearing to clarify the facts of the case to take the matter to its logical end.

4. To come up on **30.01.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:02.01.2025

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CC:

Sh. Ramandeep Singh,
Public Information Officer-cum-
ADCP-3, Amritsar

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Sh. Manjit Singh

S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh
Village Manemajra,
Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
District Ropar
(M:8427498620)

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o General Manager,
Verka Milk Plant, Mohali

First Appellate Authority

O/o Managing Director,
Milkfed, Punjab, Sector-34/A,
Chandigarh

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 4669 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Advocate, Sh. A.K. Bakshi (9814306337) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the order dated 11.10.2023. Earlier, the case was heard by Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, State Information Commissioner, Punjab, who has demitted the office on 20.10.2023. Thereafter the case was allocated to this Bench, which is fixed for hearing today i.e. 02.01.2025.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that a copy of notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent. However, the Counsel of the respondent is present.

3. Keeping in view the absence of the appellant, a **last opportunity** is granted to the appellant to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberation, failing which the decision will be taken on merit ex-parte

4. To come up on **19.02.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:02.01.2025
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Sh. Manjit Singh

S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh
Village Manemajra,
Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
District Ropar
(M:8427498620)

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o General Manager,
Verka Milk Plant, Patiala

First Appellate Authority

O/o Managing Director,
Milkfed, Punjab, Sector-34/A,
Chandigarh

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 4670 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Advocate, Ms. Rohini Bedi, (9501246058) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the order dated 11.10.2023. Earlier, the case was heard by Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, State Information Commissioner, Punjab, who has demitted the office on 20.10.2023. Thereafter the case was allocated to this Bench, which is fixed for hearing today i.e. 02.01.2025.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that a copy of notice of hearing was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent. However, the Counsel of the respondent is present.

3. Keeping in view the absence of the appellant, a **last opportunity** is granted to the appellant to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberation, failing which the decision will be taken on merit ex-parte

4. To come up on **19.02.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:02.01.2025

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Sh. Sandeep Mann,

H.No. 2928,
Sector 66 SAS Nagar
9417058040

..appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer

O/o District Education Officer (SE)
SAS Nagar (Mohali)

Public Information Officer

O/o The Principal,
St. Mary's School,
Management by Orthodox Syrian Church Society (Regd.)
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director Public Instructions (Sec.), Punjab,
Vidya Bhawan, PSEB Complex,
Sector-62, SAS Nagar (Mohali)

..respondents

Appeal Case No. 5485 of 2022

Present : Sh. Sandeep Mann, the appellant.
Sh. Gurcharan Singh (998273807) along with Sh. Pritam Singh Saini
(9814189891) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.10.2024.

2. The Counsel of the Saint Mary School, Phase 11, Mohali reiterated the earlier submissions already sent by School dated 06.03.2023. However, the appellant made the submissions that the information sought relates to the school is in the larger public interest and has already sent the counter reply and requested to direct the respondent Public Information Officer to supply the information that is a complete file related to the NOC issued to get the affiliation of the CBSE.

3. After hearing both the parties, the directions are issued to them to file their final submissions, if any, within 30 days from today. It is also clarified that in case no response is received within the stipulated period. No further adjournment will be given in this case and the decision will be taken on merit ex-parte.

4. To come up on **27.02.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:02.01.2025

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Sh. Om Parkash Chitkara

14-A, Rani Ka Bagh
Park Lane, Amritsar
(M: 9463724637)

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 256 of 2023
(Heard through Video Conference)

Present : Sh. Om Parkash Chitkara, the appellant.
Sh. Angad Singh, Building Inspector on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.10.2024.

2. The respondent made the submission that the information pertaining to Point No. 1, 2 and 6 of the RTI application has already been supplied to the appellant. With regard to the information pertaining to Point No. 3, 4 and 5, he reiterated the reply sent to the appellant vide letter dated 30.12.2024. However, the appellant contended that the respondent time and again giving the reply stereotype that the record of the respondent is being maintained, date wise, GR number wise, which is General registration number allotted to particular building plan, or file number wise, and no record is being maintained as per the area or building wise. The appellant is seeking the information with regard to the Building, Ganpati Tower-19, Duni Chand Road, Lawrence Road, Amritsar, which is a large commercial complex contained more than 75 shops having five floors in the building, which is situated in the posh area without any proper parking. It is also a fact that the appellant visited the office of the respondent and inspected the record and during inspection, it is ascertained that the record related to year 1998-2002 have not been traced as per the report of the respondent dated 22.10.2024.

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Appeal Case No. 256 of 2023 **(Heard through Video Conference)**

3. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the respondent PIO is directed to file a point-wise reply in an annotated form pertaining to Point number 3, 4 and 5 of the RTI application and also clarified the facts of missing record, if any. The respondent is also directed to send the response within three weeks from today to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, a punitive action will be initiated on the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on **30.01.2025 at 11:30 A. M. through Video Conference facility available at office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.**

Date:02.01.2025

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Sh. Raghav Bali Advocate, (8054541526)
S/o Sh. Bharat Bhushan Bali,
R/o H.No.36, Sector 04, Guru Nanak Colony,
Mandi Gobindgarh,

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Punjab Prisons Department.
Sector:17/A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Punjab Prisons Department.
Sector:17/A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2921 of 2023

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 28.11.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 22.02.2023 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 03.05.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e.02.01.2025.

2. The appellant is absent for today's hearing. However, he has informed the Bench through an email dated 30.12.2024 that due to some personal reason, he cannot attend today's hearing and has requested for an adjournment. He has also requested to hear this case through video conference. The respondent has also been informed telephonically for the same.

3. Nevertheless, **another opportunity** is given to both the parties to remain, personally present, on the next date of hearing for deliberations.

4. On the request of the appellant, the case is **adjourned to 13th February, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing through video conference at O/o Deputy Commissioner, Fatehgarh Sahib.**

Dated: 02nd January, 2025
R.S

Sd/-
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Sh. Yog Datt, S/o Sh. Dalip Chand,
Village Sibochak, Post Office: Hajipur,
Tehsil Mukerian, District Hoshiarpur.
(M.8968686737)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Inspector General of Police,
Jalandhar Range, Jalandhar.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6330 of 2024

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.12.2024.

2. The respondent is absent for today's hearing. However, he has informed the Commission telephonically that due to some unavoidable reason, he cannot attend today's hearing and has requested for an adjournment. The appellant has also informed telephonically for the same.

3. During the last hearing dated 05.12.2024, the appellant was advised to submit specific deficiencies, if any, within fifteen days on the official email i.d. of the respondent i.e.ssp_hpr@yahoo.com, with a copy to the Commission. In compliance with the order dated 05.12.2024, the appellant has sent the written submissions to the Commission as well as to the respondent on their official email i.d.

4. In view of the above, another opportunity is given to the respondent that whatever deficiencies remain in the matter of information sought by the appellant should be made good before the next date of hearing, failing which action will be initiated under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005. Both the parties are also directed to remain, personally present, on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 30th January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Dated: 02nd January, 2025
R.S

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Sh. Yog Datt, S/o Sh. Dalip Chand,
Village Sibochak, Post Office: Hajipur,
Tehsil Mukerian, District Hoshiarpur.
(M.8968686737)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Inspector General of Police,
Jalandhar Range, Jalandhar.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6331 of 2024

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.12.2024.

2. The respondent is absent for today's hearing. However, he has informed the Commission telephonically that due to some unavoidable reason, he cannot attend today's hearing and has requested for an adjournment. The appellant has also informed telephonically for the same.

3. During the last hearing dated 05.12.2024, the appellant was advised to submit specific deficiencies, if any, within fifteen days on the official email i.d. of the respondent i.e.ssp_hpr@yahoo.com, with a copy to the Commission. In compliance with the order dated 05.12.2024, the appellant has sent the written submissions to the Commission as well as to the respondent on their official email i.d.

4. In view of the above, another opportunity is given to the respondent that whatever deficiencies remain in the matter of information sought by the appellant should be made good before the next date of hearing, failing which action will be initiated under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005. Both the parties are also directed to remain, personally present, on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.

5. With this, the case is **adjourned to 30th January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Dated: 02nd January, 2025
R.S

Sd/-
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Chief Information Commissioner
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Sh. Manjeet Kumar Suman,
35, Near Shri Ravidass Gurudwara,
Village Badshahpur, Jalandhar.
(M.9650174523)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police, (Rural),
Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police, (Rural),
Jalandhar.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3052 of 2023

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 21.12.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 08.02.2023 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 10.05.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e.02.01.2025.

2. The respondent is absent for today's hearing. However, she has informed the Commission telephonically that due to some official engagements, she cannot appear in person and has requested that this case may please be heard through video conference.

3. The Commission fixed this case for hearing through video conference but due to some technically glitch, the same was not listed through video conference. The appellant has also been informed telephonically for the same.

4. In view of the above, another opportunity is given to the respondent to file the reply/supply the information to the appellant as sought by him, before the next date of hearing, failing which action will be initiated under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005. Both the parties are also directed to remain present, on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.

5. On the request of the respondent, the case is **adjourned to 30th January, 2025 at 11:30**

A. M. for hearing through video conference at O/o Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar.

Dated: 02nd January, 2025
R.S

Sd/-
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Ms. Promila Sharma
H. No 166, Street No 1/B,
Shalimar Nagar, Hoshiarpur(Punjab)
(M : 9779761292)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Public Instructions (Sec.) Pb.,
Vidya Bhawan, P.S.E.B. Complex,
Sector 62,S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Director,
Public Instructions (Sec.) Pb.,
Vidya Bhawan, P.S.E.B. Complex,
Sector 62,S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3797 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Ms. Baljinder Kaur (M.-9464395995), Superintendent ;
ii) Sh. Charanjit Singh (M.-9855588870), Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.10.2024.

2. The appellant is absent, but he has sent the written submissions, a copy which has already been sent to the respondent. However, the respondent filed the point wise reply/supplied the information, which is taken on record. They also brought the copy of the same to be handed over to the appellant during the course of hearing, but due to absence of the appellant, the respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of the same to the appellant through registered post. Accordingly, the case is adjourned with the directions to both the parties to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of absence of any party during the next date of hearing, the case will be decided, ex-parte on merit.

3. With this, the case is **adjourned to 20th February, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.**

Date :2nd January, 2025
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Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate,
8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur,
Distt. – Ludhiana -141101(Punjab)
(M.-9814924851)

.....Appellant

Vs

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government. of Punjab,
Deptt. of Local Government,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4350 of 2023

Appeal Case No. 4158 of 2023

Appeal Case No. 4159 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Taranjit Singh(M.-9878024278), Superintendent O/o Principal Secretary to Government. of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, for the respondent ;
- ii) Sh. Sukhdev Singh(third party) Executive Officer, presently posted at Nagar Council, Jagraon.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order 05.12.2024.

2. Sh. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa, 'third party' is present and made the submissions that information related to him and his wife, Smt. Gurvinder Randhawa may not be supplied to the appellant. He also categorically submitted that during the period of joining of his service in Local Government Department, till date, he has not obtained any other Academic, Educational

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Appeal Cases No. 4350, 4158, 4159 of 2023

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Qualification and also submitted the similar statement of his wife Smt. Gurvinder Randhawa. The statements given by them are taken on record. However, the appellant is absent without intimation, therefore, the appellant is given a **last opportunity** to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the decision will be taken ex-parte, on merit.

3. With this, the case is **adjourned to 31st July, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.**

Date :2nd January, 2025
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(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab