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Sh. Yog Datt

S/o Sh. Dalip Chand
Village Sibochak,
PO-Hajipur, Tehsil Mukerian,
Distt. 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

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 6331 of 2023

Present : Sh. Manjot Singh on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Harbhajan Singh, ASI (8283831838) and Sh. Ashwani Kumar , ASI on behalf
of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 12.08.2024 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 17.09.2024 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 30.10.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for today i.e. 05.12.2024.

2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent PIO to supply the sought information. However, the respondent submits that submissions have already been sent to the appellant on 03.12.2024 with a copy to the Commission, which is taken on record.

3. After having detailed deliberations with the parties, the appellant is directed to submit specific deficiency, if any, within fifteen days from today on the official email ID of the respondent i.e. ssp_hpr@yahoo.com with a copy to the Commission. The respondent PIO is also directed to remove the same, if so received from the appellant before the next date of hearing.

4. Both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing, for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. To come up on **02.01.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:05.12.2024

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Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Hoshiarpur

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Inspector General of Police,
Jalandhar Range, Jalandhar

..respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 6330 of 2023

Present : Sh. Manjot Singh on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Harbhajan Singh, ASI (8283831838) and Sh. Ashwani Kumar, ASI on behalf
of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 09.08.2024 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 17.09.2024 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 30.10.2024 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for today i.e. 05.12.2024.

2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent PIO to supply the sought information. However, the respondent submits that submissions have already been sent to the appellant on 03.12.2024 with a copy to the Commission, which is taken on record.

3. After having detailed deliberations with the parties, the appellant is directed to submit specific deficiency, if any, within fifteen days from today on the official email ID of the respondent i.e. ssp_hpr@yahoo.com with a copy to the Commission. The respondent PIO is also directed to remove the same, if so received from the appellant before the next date of hearing.

4. Both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing, for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. To come up on **02.01.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

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Sh. Satwinder Singh,

S/o Sh. Sulkhan Singh

Sh. Village Maniala, Tehsil Khamanoo,

Distt Fatehgarh Sahib-141801.

M : 9814703522; 9814303522

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Malwa College, Bondli, Samrala,

Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o DPI (Colleges), PB, Mohali.

Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5516 of 2023

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Advocate Sh. Karambir Singh Chawla (9417007700) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.09.2024.

2. The respondent is present. However, the appellant is absent but an email has been received from him mentioning therein that he is unable to attend hearing and requested for an adjournment, which is taken on record. The respondent also submits that the written submissions have already been handed over to the appellant during the last hearing and the directions were given to him to file a counter reply in an annotated form but no such counter reply has been received from him and requested to close the case. In the interest of natural justice, **last opportunity** is awarded to him to remain present on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to file counter reply, if any, within fifteen days after receipt of this order, failing which, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

3. To come up on **20.03.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:05.12.2024

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S/o Sh. Sulkhan Singh

Sh. Village Maniala, Tehsil Khamanoo,

Distt Fatehgarh Sahib-141801.

M : 9814703522; 9814303522

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Malwa College, Bondli, Samrala,

Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o DPI (Colleges), PB, Mohali.

Respondents

Appeal Case No. 824 of 2023

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Advocate Sh. Karambir Singh Chawla (9417007700) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.09.2024. During the said hearing, the respondent was directed to file counter reply against the submissions of the appellant, which was handed over to him during the course of hearing.

2. The respondent has requested for an adjournment to file the reply. Request of the respondent is granted and **one opportunity** is awarded to him to file the submissions, if any, before the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end. However, the appellant is absent but an email has been received from him mentioning therein that he is unable to attend hearing and requested for an adjournment, which is taken on record. In the interest of natural justice, **last opportunity** is awarded to him to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

3. To come up on **20.03.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

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Distt Fatehgarh Sahib-141801.

M : 9814703522; 9814303522

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Malwa College, Bondli, Samrala,

Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o DPI (Colleges), PB, Mohali.

Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5515 of 2023

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Advocate Sh. Karambir Singh Chawla (9417007700) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.09.2024.

2. The respondent is present. However, the appellant is absent but an email has been received from him mentioning therein that he is unable to attend hearing and requested for an adjournment, which is taken on record. The respondent also submits that the written submissions have already been handed over to the appellant during the last hearing and the directions were given to him to file a counter reply in an annotated form but no such counter reply has been received from him and requested to close the case. In the interest of natural justice, **last opportunity** is awarded to him to remain present on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to file counter reply, if any, within fifteen days after receipt of this order, failing which, the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

3. To come up on **20.03.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

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Sh. Jatinder Kumar

House No. 808, Rai Colony,
Near Dr. Mittal Hospital,
Chandigarh Road, Nawashaher
(M:9872324111)

.....Appellant

Vs

Sh. Simran Dhindsa

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Nawashaher

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC (UD),
SBS Nagar

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 379 of 2023

Present:- Sh. Jatinder Kumar, the appellant.
Sh. Simran Dhindsa, Executive Officer, Nawashahar (8968854547)
Sh. Ram Parkash, Executive Officer, Urmur Tanda, Hoshiarpur (9417479460)
Advocate, Sh. Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.09.2024.

2. The appellant submits that the sought information is received on whatsapp just before the hearing of this case. However the respondent submits that the sought information as available on record has already been supplied to the appellant. In the interest of natural justice, **one opportunity** is awarded to the appellant to file the deficiency, if any. Also, Sh. ram Parkash and Sh. Simran Dhindsa tenders unconditional apology with regard to the show cause notice issued to them in this case. They further requested to withdraw the orders vide which compensation amounting to Rs. 15,000/- has been awarded in favour of the appellant. In the interest of natural justice, one opportunity is also granted to them to file the written submissions, if any, to take the matter to its logical end. The PIO, O/o Nagar Council, Nawashahar to remove the deficiency before the next date of hearing if so received from the appellant.

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3. Both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

4. To come up on **20.03.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:05.12.2024

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Sh. Tejinder Singh

Civil Courts, Tehsil Complex,
Backside Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur-144410
(M:9041004313)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Estate Officer, (Regulatory),
GLADA, Ludhiana

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner, MC,
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1024 of 2021

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant.
Sh. Gurpreet Singh, PIO on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with the reference to the previous order dated 28.08.2024.

2. The GLADA issued a letter ਮੀਮੋ ਨੰ:ਮਿ.ਅ.ਰੈਗੂ/ਗਲਾਡਾ/ਲੁਧਿ /2020/4457 dated 28.09.2020 issued by the ATP, O/o Estate Officer (Regulatory), GLADA, Ludhiana. The relevant portion of the letter is as follows:

“ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ. ਅਪੀਲ ਨੰਬਰ: 502 ਮਿਤੀ 17/09/2020 ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਦੱਸਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਫੀਲਡ ਸਟਾਫ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਪਿੰਡ ਭੋਲਾਪੁਰ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਰੋਡ ਦੇ ਸਥਿਤ ਬਣ ਰਹੀਆਂ ਅਣ-ਅਧਿਕਾਰਤ ਦੁਕਾਨਾਂ ਦਾ ਮੌਕਾ ਚੈੱਕ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਮਿਤੀ 28.08.2020 ਨੂੰ ਦੁਕਾਨ ਮਾਲਕ ਨੂੰ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਵਲੋਂ ਜਾਰੀ ਰੈਗੂਲਾਈਜ਼ੇਸ਼ਨ ਪਾਲਿਸੀ ਨੰਬਰ 1806 ਮਿਤੀ 18.10.2018 ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਅਣ-ਅਧਿਕਾਰਤ ਉਸਾਰੀ ਨੂੰ ਢਾਹੁਣ ਦਾ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਦੁਕਾਨ ਮਾਲਕ ਨੂੰ ਦੇ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਕੰਮ ਬੰਦ ਕਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ।“

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3. The appellant has sought the following information related to the letter issued by GLADA mentioned in para 1 above:

“1) ਇਹ ਕਿ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਅਪੀਲ ਨੰ: 502 ਮਿਤੀ: 17-9-2020 ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਫੀਲਡ ਸਟਾਫ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਪਿੰਡ ਭੋਲਾਪੁਰ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਰੋਡ ਦੇ ਸਥਿਤ ਬਣ ਰਹੀਆਂ ਅਣ ਅਧਿਕਾਰਤ ਦੁਕਾਨਾਂ ਦਾ ਜੋ ਮੋਕਾ ਚੈਕ ਕਰਕੇ ਮਿਤੀ: 28- 8-2020 ਨੂੰ ਦਕਾਨ ਮਾਲਕ ਨੂੰ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਜਾਰੀ ਰੈਗੂਲੇਟਰੀ ਪਾਲਿਸੀ ਨੰਬਰ 1806 ਮਿਤੀ:18-10-2018 ਰਾਹੀਂ ਉਸਾਰੀ ਢਾਹੁਣ ਦਾ ਨੋਟਿਸ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਹਨ, ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆ ਜਾਣ।

2) ਇਹਨਾਂ ਨੋਟਿਸਾਂ ਤੇ ਬਾਅਦ ਹੁਣ ਤੱਕ ਜੋ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਹੋਈ ਅਤੇ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਨਾਲ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਫਾਇਲ ਦੀ ਫੋਟੋ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆ ਜਾਣ।“

4. After having detailed deliberations with both the parties, the appellant made the submissions that the respondent are supplying the notice issued on 28.08.2020 to the shop owner of village Ramgarh to whom a notice was issued for illegal construction whereas he is seeking the information related to a notice dated 28.08.2020 which was issued to the shop owner of village Bholapur due to illegal construction of shop as per the report of the field staff mentioned in Appeal Case No. 502 dated 17.09.2020.

5. It is also a fact that Sh. Ashok Kumar, APIO-cum-Assistant State Officer (Regulatory) GLADA, Ludhiana has submitted sent an affidavit to the appellant that complete information as available on record has already been supplied to the appellant and no other official record is available. It is also a fact that the GLADA authority also requested the appellant to provide the exact location of that shop to ascertain to whom the notice was issued to the parties. Thereafter, the appellant provided the Google location and after verifying the facts of the Google location as has been submitted by the appellant, the GLADA issued a letter bearing no. ਏ.ਪੀ.ਆਈ.ਓ./ਰੈਗੂਲੇਟਰੀ/ਗਲਾਡਾ/ਲੁਧਿ/2023/6054 dated 26.07.2024 and the relevant portion of the same

is as follows:

“ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਪ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਉਕਤ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਦਸਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਆਪ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਮਿਤੀ 07/07/2023 ਨੂੰ ਦਫਤਰ ਆ ਕੇ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਉਪ-ਮੰਡਲ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ(ਆਰ) ਨੂੰ ਸਿਕਾਇਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਦਰਜ ਗੁਗਲ ਕੋਰਡਿਨੇਟਸ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਮੋਕਾ ਦਿਖਾਇਆ ਗਿਆ ਜਿਸ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਉਪ-ਮੰਡਲ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ(ਆਰ) ਅਤੇ ਜਿਲਾ ਨਗਰ ਯੋਜਨਾਕਾਰ (ਆਰ) ਵੱਲੋਂ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਈ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਪੂਰਬੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਗੁਗਲ ਮੈਪ ਐਡਰਸ VXP3+42J ਨੂੰ ਗੁਗਲ ਅਰਥ ਪੂਰੇ ਇਮੇਜ (ਕਾਪੀ) ਨਾਲ ਨੱਥੀ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ 8J2QVXP3+42J (ਸਾਈਟ) ਨਗਰ ਨਿਗਮ, ਲੁਧਿਆਣਾ ਦੇ ਹਦੂਦ ਦੇ ਅੰਦਰ ਜਾਪਦੀ ਹੈ।“

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6. It is also a fact that the respondent public authority paid the compensation amounting to Rs. 10,000/-, which was awarded in favour of the appellant. It is also a fact that a notice which was issued on 28.08.2020 to the Pal Motors due to illegal construction is available in the case file mentioning the village Ramgarh.

7. Keeping in view the above, the appellant is directed to provide the specific name of the shop (owners) to whom a notice was issued/served by the GLADA due to illegal construction in Village Bholapur, information related to which has been sought by him, to take the matter to its logical end.

8. Also, the respondent PIO is directed to reconsider the matter in accordance with the submissions made by the appellant and file the response afresh before the next date of hearing, failing which punitive action will be initiated.

9. Both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

10. To come up on **16.01.2025 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Date:05.12.2024

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Advocate Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, (M.9814924851)

H.No. #8/237, Jagraon Road, Mandi Mullanpur,
District Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director,
Department of Local Government of Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector:35/A,
Chandigarh.

**Sh. Taranjeet Singh-Superintendent-cum-
Public Information Officer,**

O/o Principal Secretary to Govt., of Punjab,
Department of Local Government of Punjab,
(Local Govt.,-3 Branch), Municipal Bhawan,
Sector:35/A, Plot No.3, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director,
Department of Local Government of Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector:35/A,
Chandigarh.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4158 of 2023

Appeal Case No. 4159 of 2023

Appeal Case No. 4350 of 2023

Present : (i) Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person
(ii) Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Clerk on behalf of the respondent.(9781426111)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.10.2024.

2. The appellant requested that the directions be issued to the respondent to provide the information.

3. Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Clerk is appearing on behalf of the respondent PIO and made a written submission that the concerned person is appearing before the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court in (Civil Writ Petition No.8655 of 2024) and probably will not be able to appear before the Commission. He requested that some more time be given to provide the sought information to the appellant.

4. During the last hearing, Sh. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa, E.O and his wife Ms. Gurwinder Kaur, Joint Commissioner were impleaded as necessary party and were directed to send their submissions that why the information related to them may not be supplied to the appellant. At today's

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hearing, neither they appeared nor have sent any written submissions. This indifferent attitude and casual approach towards the directions of the Bench is viewed adversely.

5. Nevertheless, **a final opportunity** is awarded to the respondent and necessary parties to comply with the directions of the Bench, given during the last hearing. Both the parties are also directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

6. During the last hearing, a copy of the order dated 10.10.2024 was sent to the Principal Secretary, Department of Local Govt., Punjab Sh. Ajoy Sharma, IAS to ensure the presence of the PIO-cum-Superintendent (LG-3 Branch), Sh. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa, E.O and his wife Ms. Gurwinder Kaur, Joint Commissioner. At today's hearing, Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Clerk has made a submission that the Principal Secretary, Sh. Ajoy Sharma, IAS has been superannuated and Sh. Tejveer Singh, IAS has taken a charge as Principal Secretary, Department of Local Govt., Punjab.

7. Accordingly, a copy of this order is being sent to the Principal Secretary, Department of Local Govt., Punjab Sh. Tejveer Singh, IAS with the directions to ensure that a copy of this Order must be delivered to the necessary parties i.e. Sh. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa E.O and Ms. Gurwinder Kaur, Joint Commissioner, to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations. It is also clarified that in case of absence of the respondent PIO and the necessary parties, on the next date of hearing, their presence will be procured by issuing **BAILABLE WARRANTS** and/or disciplinary action may be recommended in this case to the competent authority as per the procedure established by the Law.

8. On the request of the respondent, the case is **adjourned to 02nd January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Dated: 05th December, 2024
R.S

Sd/-
(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab

CC:

Sh. Tejveer Singh, IAS
Principal Secretary to Govt., of Punjab,
Department of Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector:35/A, Plot No.3,
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Sh. Jaswinder Singh,
H.No.241, Dashmesh Enclave,
Village and Post Office Alamgir,
Ludhiana. (M.9914600673)

.....Complainant

Vs

Sh.Gurpreet Singh,
Tehsildar(East)-cum-Public Information Officer,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 564 of 2023

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.10.2024.

- Both the parties are absent at today's hearing and have sent a request through an email dated 04.12.2024 for an adjournment.
- The request of both the parties is acceded to and the case is adjourned. Both the parties are directed to remain present, in person, on the next date of hearing, to take the matter to its logical end.
- With this, the case is **adjourned to 16.01.2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing.**

Dated: 05th December, 2024
R.S

Sd/-
(Inderpal Singh)
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Ms. Tejo Devi W/o Sh. Sadhu Ram,
R/o Adarsh Nagar,
676, Kotli Road,
Tehsil & Distt Sri Muktsar Sahib(Punjab)
M : 9256421050

Appellant

Vs

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Education Officer(Elem.)
Ferozepur(Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Education Officer(Sec.)
Faridkot (Punjab)
- iii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Primary Education Officer,
Guru Har Sahai -1,
Distt. - Ferozepur (Punjab)
- iv) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Station House Officer,
Police Station - Guru Har Sahai,
Distt. - Ferozepur(Punjab)

Encl : RTI request

First Appellate Authority
O/o The District Education Officer(Elem.)
Ferozepur(Punjab)

Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5674 of 2023

Present : Advocate, Sh. Nitin Setia (M.-860718195) and Advocate, Sh. Sahil Sabherwal,
on behalf of the appellant in the Commission.
Sh. Davinder Kumar(M.-9501018490), Legal Assistant attended the hearing
through Video Conference.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 26.09.2024.

2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent to supply complete information in this case. It is a fact that the appellant has sought the information in a prescribed performa and there is no provision to create the information and then supply it to the appellant. In view of the same, the appellant is at liberty to make the submissions, if any, before the next date of hearing for consideration.

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3. The representatives of the appellant submitted that an enquiry/investigation is pending as FIR No. 267 was registered at Police Station, Guru Har Sahai but he does not know the outcome of the same. With regard to the RTI application, he reiterated the submissions already made vide letter dated 03.04.2024 and also submits that the custodian of the record is Block Primary Education Officer, Guru Har Sahai -1. They also submitted that the sought information relates with office of Block Primary Education Officer, Guru Har Sahai -1 as such the Block Primary Education Officer, Guru Har Sahai -1 is impleaded as necessary party in this case to clarify the facts of the case whether the said office is the custodian of the record and/or any record related to an enquiry and/or the record related to the sought information is missing. He is also directed to file the specific reply/undertaking with regard to RTI application a copy of which is attached with this order.

4. The District Education Officer (Elem.), Ferozpur is directed to ensure the presence of the Block Primary Education Officer, Guru Har Sahai -1 on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the presence of the concerned Public Information Officer will be procured by issuing **BAILABLE WARRANTS** and/or disciplinary action may be recommended in this case to the competent authority.

5. The decision regarding show cause issued to Ms. Neelam Rani, PIO O/o District Education Officer (Sec.), Faridkot, in this case will be taken on the next date of hearing.

6. Since, an FIR No. 267 dated 02.12.2023 has already been lodged in Police Station Guru Hara Sahai, in the case related to the sought information. Therefore, the PIO-cum- Station House Officer, Police Station Guru Hara Sahai is impleaded as necessary party in this case. He is also directed to submit the present status of the said FIR on/or before the next date of hearing.

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7. Also, the PIO O/o the District Education Officer(Sec.), Faridkot is impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the present status of the enquiry, which is being conducted under his supervision with regard to the misappropriation/embezzlement of funds in the O/o the Block Primary Education Officer, Guru Har Sahai -1. A copy of the RTI application is **being sent** to him alongwith this order.

8. With this, the case is **adjourned to 29th January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ferozepur.**

Date : 5th December, 2024
R

(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab

CC :

The District Education Officer(Elem.)
Ferozepur(Punjab)

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Sh. Paramjit Singh Handa,
House No 476, Shaheed Udham Singh Road,
Sunam Udham Singh Wala,
Sangrur(Punjab)
(M : 9501598939)

...Appellant

Vs

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director , Higher Education (Colleges) Pb.,
Vidya Bhawan, P.S.E.B. Complex,
Sector 62,S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary to Government of Punjab,
Deptt. of Higher Education,
Punjab Civil Secretariat - II, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Director, Higher Education (Colleges) Pb.,
Vidya Bhawan, P.S.E.B. Complex,
Sector 62,S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4592 of 2023

Present : Sh. Paramjit Singh Handa, the appellant in person.
Ms. Karamjit Kaur(M.-9855552617), Senior Assistant (Establishment Branch).

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 12.09.2024.

2. Both the parties are present in today's hearing. After deliberations, it revealed that the appellant needs information from sixty four colleges of Punjab and out of that he has received the information from twenty five colleges of the State. It is pertinent to mention here that all the colleges have their own PIOs so the appellant had to file the RTI application to the concerned public authority to get the information as per the provisions of the RTI Act.

3. It is very necessary at this stage that the appellant should file 'public interest' that whether sought information which has been demanded by him will serve any 'public interest'. So an opportunity is given to the appellant to make submissions about what public interest is involved in seeking the information, by the next date of hearing. He is also at liberty to send a copy of the same to the respondent.

4. With this, the case is **adjourned to 29th January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.**

Date : 5th December, 2024
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Sh. Rajnish Kumar
#19274, Street No. 6,
Bibi Wala Road, Bathinda (Punjab)
(M:9815313238)

.....Appellant

Vs

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

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

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4963 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 26.09.2024.

2. None of the parties are present in today's hearing. It is also a fact that the respondent had already submitted the reply in this case vide letter dated 26.09.2024 and the same was sent to the appellant. Further the appellant through an e-mail has requested to send the same at his e-mail, accordingly, the same was sent to the appellant to file the deficiencies, if any. Thereafter, the appellant sent an e-mail with the request to send the copy of the letter dated 26.09.2024 through an e-mail. According to the request of the appellant the same was sent to the appellant through e-mail mentioned in his RTI application. Thereafter, one another e-mail has been received from the appellant mentioning therein that his e-mail mentioned in the RTI application is defunct so he requested to resend the e-mail. On receipt of the said mail, again a copy the letter dated 26.09.2024 was sent to the appellant at an e-mail provided by the

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appellant. Today, an e-mail has been received from the appellant, mentioning therein that he has received the attachment on 03.12.2024 and he has to go through the details. Accordingly, an opportunity is granted to the appellant to file the deficiencies, if any, before the next date of hearing. It is also a fact that the appellant was directed to place on record a copy of letter no. 2023755392 dated 15.03.2023, information related to which has been sought by him but the appellant has not placed on record the said letter. One **last opportunity** is granted to the appellant to submit the same.

3. Keeping in view the above, the case is adjourned. Also a copy of this order is being sent to the Principal Secretary Higher Education to deliver a copy of this order to the concerned PIO. It is also clarified that both the parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing, failing which the case will be decided ex-parte on merit. It is also clarified that no further adjournment will be allowed in this case.

4. With this, the case is **adjourned to 10th April, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda.**

Date : 5th December, 2024
R

(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab

CC :

The Principal Secretary
to Government of Punjab,
Deptt. of Higher Education,
Punjab Civil Secretariat,
Chandigarh

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Sh. Parveen Kumar,
Street No 1, Patwari Colony,
Talwandi Saboo,
Distt. - Bathinda-151302(Punjab)
(M : 9464817898)

...Appellant

Vs

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Primary Education Officer,
Talwandi Saboo,
Distt.- Bathinda(Punjab)
- ii) Ms. Surinder Pal Kaur Sidhu,
Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Education Officer(Sec.),
Bathinda(Punjab)
- iii) The Principal,
Shaheed Baba Jorawar Singh
Public Senior Secondary School,
Jodhpur Pakhar, Bathinda (Punjab)

Encl: RTI request

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Block Primary Education Officer,
Talwandi Saboo,
Distt. - Bathinda(Punjab)

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3603 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.08.2024.

2. The appellant is absent but through an e-mail he has intimated that he is not able to attend today's hearing and till date he has not received the required information from the office of District Education Officer(Sec.), Bathinda. Also, the respondent PIO office of District Education Officer(Sec.), Bathinda is absent but after perusal of the case file reflects that through an e-mail he has sent a reply mentioning that the information sought by the appellant relates with the School i. e. Shaheed Baba Jorawar Singh Public Senior Secondary School, Jodhpur Pakhar, Bathinda and the Principal of the said school through a reply dated 21.08.2024 has intimated that it is a self-financed institution, which is not covered under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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3. In the interest of natural justice and in accordance with the Punjab RTI Rules, Principal, Shaheed Baba Jorawar Singh Public Senior Secondary School, Jodhpur Pakhar, Bathinda is impleaded as necessary party in this case. A copy of this order is **being sent** to him alongwith RTI request through registered post with the directions to file the written submissions, if any, that why the information related to the School may not be supplied to the appellant.

4 None is present on behalf of the PIO office of District Education Officer(Sec.), Bathinda. He/she has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application by the respondent in a casual manner, Ms. Surinder Pal Kaur Sidhu, District Education Officer(Sec.), Bathinda, 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.25,000/-, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay/denial of the information to the RTI applicant and to show cause why a compensation under section 19(8) of the RTI Act,2005, may not be paid to the appellant for causing willful delay/denial of the information for detriment suffered by him.

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. 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.

5. *It is pertinent to mention the Judgement passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in case titled as Thalappalam Service Coop. Bank Ltd. vs State of Kerala, (2013), in which it was held that :-*

" BURDEN TO SHOW:

40. The burden to show that a body is owned, controlled or substantially financed or that a non-government organization is substantially financed directly or indirectly by the funds provided by the appropriate Government is on the

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applicant who seeks information or the appropriate Government and can be examined by the State Information Commission or the Central Information Commission as the case may be, when the question comes up for consideration. A body or NGO is also free to establish that it is not owned, controlled or substantially financed directly or indirectly by the appropriate Government."

6. Since, the onus to prove that respondent school is a public authority lies upon the appellant, therefore, he is directed to make the submissions, if any, in this regard to take the matter to its logical end.

7. Also, the appellant and the above said respondent parties are directed to remain present on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the decision will be taken on the next date of hearing ex-parte, on merit. It is further clarified that it is the **last opportunity** and no further adjournment will be given in this case.

8. With this, the case is **adjourned to 10th April, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.**

Date : 5th December, 2024
R

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Ms. Beant Kaur
C/o Bhai Charan Singh Banbiha Bhai,
Advocate Jagroop Singh, H No 401/4,
Vijay Nagar, PO DCW, Patiala(Punjab)

.....Appellant

Vs

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Manager,
S.G.P.C. Gurudwara Sahib,
Sri Fatehgarh Sahib(Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
(S K Branch)
Sri Fatehgarh Sahib(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Secretary,
Shiromani Gurudwara Parbandhak Committee
(S.G.P.C.), Sri Amritsar Sahib (Punjab)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5516 of 2022

Present : Sh. Gurcharan Singh(M.-9815075655), on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Kuldeep Singh(M.-9878636935), GPA/SGPC, Amritsar ;
ii) Sh. Rajesh Kumar(M.-7986933276), Superintendent O/o D. C. Sri
Fatehgarh Sahib ;
iii) Sh. Jarnail Singh, Clerk O/o D. C. Sri Fatehgarh Sahib, on behalf of the
respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 05.09.2024.

2. The respondent submitted a copy of an order dated 20.11.2017 passed by Hon'ble Justice Rajan Gupta of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court in C. W. P. No. 6356 of 2013 (O & M) Titled Shaheed Bhagat Singh Welfare Association versus State of Punjab and others and also referred the decision in C M No. 3520 of 2014, on the basis of which a report has been prepared by the then Deputy Commissioner, Sri Fatehgarh Sahib. Accordingly, PIO O/o Deputy Commissioner, Sri Fatehgarh Sahib is directed submit a copy of the said order/report on the next date of hearing, which is very essential to decide the matter.

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3. The appellant also made a request during the hearing that he is not familiar with the law procedure and willing to have a legal assistance to plead the case. As such he has requested for an adjournment.

4. The request of the appellant is accepted and he is also advised to make submissions, if any, within ten days. He is also directed to remain present on the next date fixed for deliberations. It is also clarified that no further adjournment will be given in this case.

5. With this, the case is adjourned to 29th January, 2025 at 11:30 A. M. for hearing at Chandigarh.

Date : 5th December, 2024
R

(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab