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Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg,
C/o Police Public Dairy, 15 A,
Shastari Nagar Model Town,
Ludhiana.M : 7814322100

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Engineer,
Provincial Division PWD B&R,
Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Superintending Engineer,
PWD B&R, Construction Circle,
Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2269 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 23.12.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.04.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.10.2024 in the Commission i.e. today. However, on 15.10.2023 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 14.01.2025 i.e today.

3. Today, the appellant Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg states that no information has been given to him so far.

4. Respondent is absent today. He has informed on phone that he is unable to attend today's hearing. Therefore he has sought another date.



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5. The perusal of the file shows that the respondent has sent a letter dated 20.12.2024 mentioning therein that the appellant can visit their office on any working day, inspect the record and obtain the information.

Hence, the appellant is advised to visit the office of respondent on any working day with prior appointment, inspect the relevant records, identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provided copies thereof, according to his RTI application, within a fortnight, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

6. To come up on **09.04.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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Sh. Nitin Kumar Tayal,
179 B, Model Town Extension,
Ludhiana-141002
M : 7837600470

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Registrar,
Cooperative Societies,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Registrar,
Cooperative Societies,
Patial Division, Patiala.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2425 OF 2023

Present :- (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Sarbjot Singh, Inspector (9888637671)

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 19.01.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI 22.02.2023 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.04.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.10.2024 in the Commission i.e. today. However, on 15.10.2023 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 14.01.2025 i.e. today.

3. The appellant Sh. Nitin Kumar Tayal is absent today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing.

4. Sh. Sarbjot Singh, Inspector is appearing on behalf of the respondent. He is not aware about the facts of the case, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the RTI regime. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. Such kind of behavior of a Government



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servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message to wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.

5. However, before taking any penal proceedings against the Respondent PIO, I wish to give one last opportunity to him to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith information. The PIO is however, cautioned to exercise due care in future to ensure that correct and complete information is furnished timely to the RTI applicant(s) as provisions of the Act failing which penal proceedings under Section 20(1) shall be initiated.

6. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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Sh. Nitin Kumar Tayal .
179 B, Model Town Extension,
Ludhiana (West)-141002.
M : 7837600470

RTI Application No 53363

Versus

Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o Assistant Registrar,
Cooperative Societies,
Ludhiana (West).

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Joint Registrar,
Cooperative Societies,
Patiala Division, Patiala.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2824 OF 2023

Present :- None for the parties.

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 24.02.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.05.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.10.2024 in the Commission i.e. today. However, on 15.10.2023 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 14.01.2025 i.e today.

3. Today neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. They have even not informed the Commission about their absence for today's hearing. This is the first date of hearing and both the parties are not present, hence one more opportunity is given to them to appear before the Commission and state their case. It is made clear that in case both the parties do not appear on the next date of hearing , appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2824 OF 2023

4. To come up on **09.04.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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Sh. Nitin Kumar Tayal,
179 B, Model Town Extension,
Ludhiana-141002
M : 7837600470

RTI Application No 51087

Versus

Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Punjab,
17 Bays Building, Sector-17-D, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Punjab,
17 Bays Building, Sector-17-D, Chandigarh.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2744 OF 2023

Present :- (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Smt. Parveen Bala, Senior Assistant (9417902891) and
Sh. Ravi, Clerk (8591504987)

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 10.02.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 26.04.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.10.2024 in the Commission i.e. today. However, on 15.10.2023 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 14.01.2025 i.e today.

3. The appellant is absent today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing.

4. Respondent states that the information has already been sent to the appellant. She further states that she has also brought copy of information today in the Commission alongwith reply. ***Copy of the reply alongwith information, as submitted, by the respondent be sent to the appellant alongwith these orders.*** Further the appellant is

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advised to go through the same and point out deficiencies , if any, within one month from the receipt of the order. Respondent is directed to ensure that the deficiencies in the information are made good before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on **09.04.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr.Bhupinder S. Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :14.01.2025

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C/o Police Public Dairy, 15 A,
Shastari Nagar Model Town,
Ludhiana.
M : 7814322100

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Engineer,
Provincial Division, PWD B&R,
Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Superintending Engineer,
PWD B&R, Construction Circle,
Bathinda.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2595 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 23.12.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 25.02.2023 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.04.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.10.2024 in the Commission i.e. today. However, on 15.10.2023 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 14.01.2025 i.e. today.

3. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far. He further states that he has deposited requisite fees i.e. Rs. 500/- to the respondent, but no information has been given to him so far.

Today, no one has put in appearance on behalf of the respondents nor has any communication been received from them. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is



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afforded one more opportunity to provide the appellant point-wise complete specific information, duly attested, free of cost, by registered post, in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records. Respondents to note that in case no one comes present on their behalf on the next date fixed, punitive provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 may be invoked against the erring officer(s).

4. To come up on **09.04.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg,
C/o Police Public Dairy, 15 A,
Shastari Nagar Model Town,
Ludhiana.
M: 7814322100

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Assistant Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2593 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 20.01.2023 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 25.02.2023 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 12.04.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.10.2024 in the Commission i.e. today. However, on 15.10.2023 the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 14.01.2025 i.e. today.

3. The appellant Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg states that no information has been given to him so far.

4. Respondent is absent today. He has informed on phone that he is unable to attend today's hearing. Therefore he has sought another date. He states that the appellant can visit their office on any working day, inspect the record and obtain the information.



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5. Hence, the appellant is advised to visit the office of respondent on any working day with prior appointment, inspect the relevant records, identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provided copies thereof, according to his RTI application, within a fortnight, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

6. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

7. To come up on 09.04.2025 at 11.30 AM for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Date :14.01.2025

**Sd/-
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Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia,
Sr. Citizen, RTI Activist,
Whistle Blower, President ,
NCAG Office, Street No 5,
1331-5, Vishawkarma Bhawan,
Down Canal Road, Simlapuri, Ludhiana-141003.
M: 9888490031

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Registrar,
Cooperative Societies, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Registrar,
Cooperative Societies, Ludhiana.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2323 OF 2023

Present :- (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Sarbjot Singh, Inspector (9888637671)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.11.2024 vide which neither the appellant nor the respondent was present.

2. The appellant Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia is again absent today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing.

3. Sh. Sarbjot Singh, Inspector is appearing on behalf of the respondent. He is not aware about the facts of the case, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the RTI regime. The Commission observed that there is complete negligence and laxity in the public authority in dealing with the RTI application. Such kind of behavior of a Government servant needs to be condemned and such employees need to be taught a good lesson so that rest of the employees have a right kind of message to wake up and perform their duties under the RTI Act for ensuring complete transparency and due accountability in the governance affairs of the public authorities.



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4. However, before taking any penal proceedings against the Respondent PIO, I wish to give one last opportunity to him to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith information. The PIO is however, cautioned to exercise due care in future to ensure that correct and complete information is furnished timely to the RTI applicant(s) as provisions of the Act failing which penal proceedings under Section 20(1) shall be initiated. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

5. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr.Bhupinder S. Batth)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date :14.01.2025

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Sh. Munish Saini,
S/o Sh. Yash Saini, H No 186,
Old Shahpur Road, Pathnakot-145001.
M : 7009040017
RTI Application No 49004

Versus

Appellant

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2423 OF 2023

Present :- (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Punesh Chatrath. Clerk (9780665220)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.10.2024 vide neither the appellant nor the respondent was present.

2. The appellant is again absent today. He has informed on phone that he is unable to attend today's hearing.

3. Respondent , o/o MC, Pathankot states that reply has already been sent to the appellant.

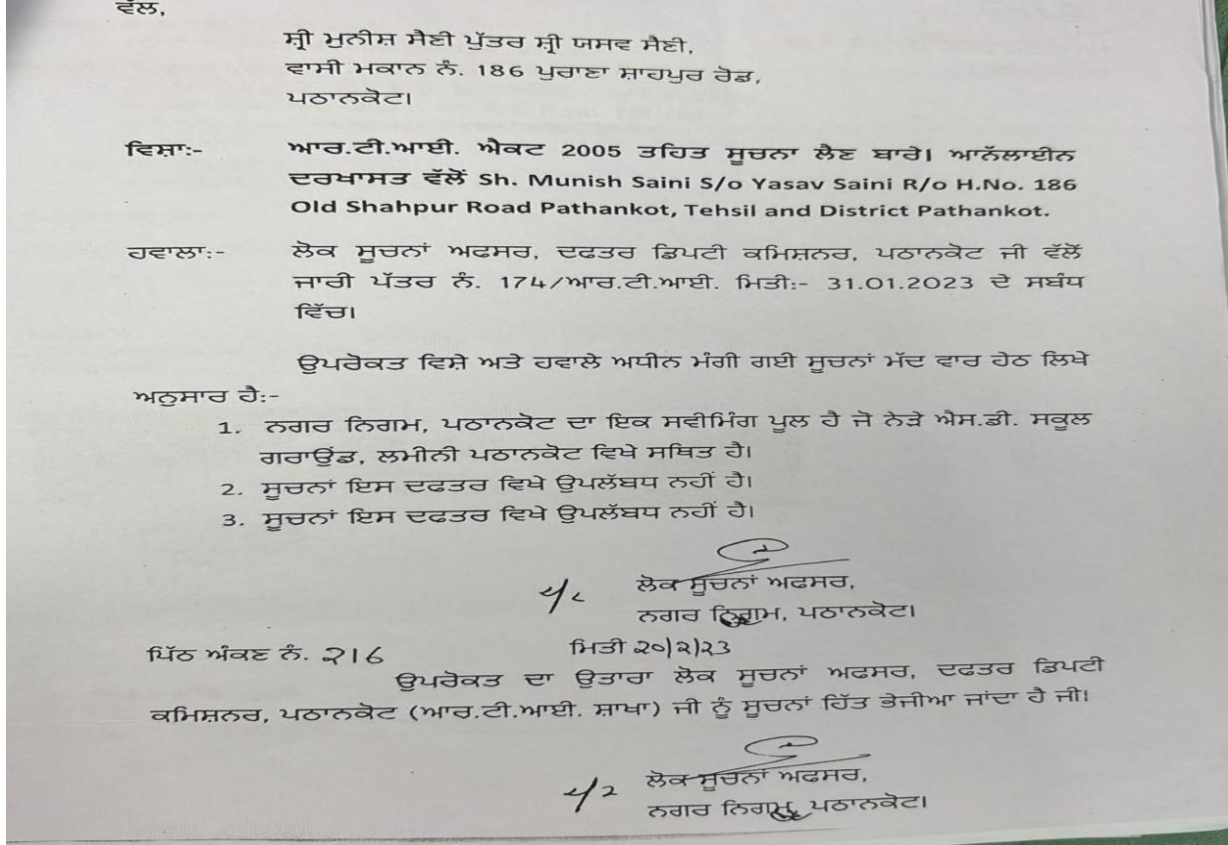
4. After hearing the respondent and going through the case file , it is observed that the appellant filed RTI with the PIO, o/o DC, Pathankot. Further PIO, o/o DC, Pathankot transferred the RTI of the appellant to PIO, o/o MC, Pathankot. Today, Respondent , o/o MC, Pathankot states that the reply has already been sent to the appellant. The same is as under:-

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5. After carefully perused the documents on record, it is observed that regarding point nos. 2 and 3, PIO, o/o DC, Pathankot wrongly transferred the RTI of the appellant to PIO, o/o MC, Pathankot. Hence, to clarify the matter both the parties i.e. PIO, o/o DC, Pathankot and PIO, o/o MC, Pathankot are directed to come present alongwith point-wise reply.

6. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

7. To come up on **09.04.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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CC: PIO, Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot

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Shri Sanjeev Thakur, (98142 89764)
S/o Shri Baldev Singh Salaria,
R/o Mohalla Rajput Nagar, Village Gurha Khurd,
Post Office Madhopur Cantt., Pathankot – 145024

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Sujanpur, District Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 124 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Counsel for the appellant (9876796666)
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Ramesh Kumar, Panchayat Secretary-cum-PIO
(8146192625), Sh. Vijay Kumar, Panchayat Secretary-cum-PIO (9779017035)

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 30.06.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.01.2025 in the Commission i.e. today.

3. During the hearing held on 18.09.2023 before the bench of former SIC Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, appellant was asked to point out deficiencies , if any, in the information provided by the respondent.

71 pages

4. Today Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Advocate is appearing on behalf of the appellant and states that no information has been given to the appellant so far. Respondent states that the information has already been sent to the appellant. Respondent further states that he has



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also brought copy of the information running into 71 pages today in the Commission, which is handed over to the representative of the appellant.

The appellant is advised to go through the same and point out deficiencies, if any. Regarding point no. 2 and 3 respondent states that the information is not related with them.

5. Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Counsel for the respondent states that the appellant filed RTI with the department on 30.06.2022 and the reply sent by the respondent on 13.09.2023. He further states that the appellant has not been provided reply within the time as prescribed under the RTI Act 2005. For this he demands that the Respondent be penalized and he be compensated for the detriment suffered.

6. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, it appears that the PIO has not provided the information to the appellant within time. Therefore, I deem it appropriate to issue show cause notice under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act , 2005, to PIO , o/o BDPO, Sujampur is directed as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay / denial in providing the information to the RTI applicant. He is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing before the next date of hearing.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby 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 note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

7. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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Shri Sanjeev Thakur, (98142 89764)
S/o Shri Baldev Singh Salaria,
R/o Mohalla Rajput Nagar, Village Gurha Khurd,
Post Office Madhopur Cantt., Pathankot – 145024

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Sujanpur, District Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 125 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Council for the appellant (9876796666)
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Ramesh Kumar, Panchayat Secretary-cum-PIO
(8146192625), Sh. Vijay Kumar, Panchayat Secretary-cum-PIO (9779017035)

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 30.06.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.01.2025 in the Commission i.e. today.

3. During the hearing held on 18.09.2023 before the bench of former SIC Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, respondent stated that the information demanded by the appellant is third party information. Further the respondent was directed to file point wise reply.

4. The perusal of the file shows that the respondent has filed point-wise reply. The same is as under:-

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APPEAL CASE NO. 125 OF 2023

ਨੰਬਰ: /ਸੁਪਰਡੈਂਟ/ਮਿਤੀ:

ਵਿਸ਼ਾ: ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ 2005 ਤਹਿਤ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਮੁਹੱਈਆ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਸਬੰਧੀ।

ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਆਪ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਵਿਜੇ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਦੀ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ ਅਧੀਨ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਭੇਜੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

ਲੜੀ ਨੰ	ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ	ਸੂਚਨਾ
1	Provide Service book of Vijay Kumar (Secretary) and the village allotted to him.	ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਵਿਜੇ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਲਿਖਤੀ ਤੌਰ ਤੇ ਨਿਮਨਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਨੂੰ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਸਰਵਿਸ ਬੁੱਕ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਨਿੱਜੀ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਇਹ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ ਅਧੀਨ ਕਵਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਨੂੰ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਪੰਚਾਇਤਾਂ ਅਲਾਟ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਹੋਈਆਂ ਹਨ।
2	Provide the property details of Vijay Kumar (Secretary) and his Family	ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਵਿਜੇ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਲਿਖਤੀ ਤੌਰ ਤੇ ਨਿਮਨਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਨੂੰ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਪਰੋਪਰਟੀ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਨਿੱਜੀ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਇਹ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ ਅਧੀਨ ਕਵਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ
3	Provide the copies of educational certificate of Vijay Kumar (Secretary)	ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਵਿਜੇ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਲਿਖਤੀ ਤੌਰ ਤੇ ਨਿਮਨਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਨੂੰ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਵਿਦਿਅਕ ਯੋਗਤਾ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਨਿੱਜੀ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਇਹ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ ਅਧੀਨ ਕਵਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ

1. ਨਿਊ ਥਰਿਆਲ, 2. ਮੁਤਫਰਕਾ, 3. ਜਿੰਦਰਾਈ ਨਿਚਲੀ, 4. ਬੜੋਈ ਨਿਚਲੀ, 5. ਮੇਰਾ, 6. ਢਡਵਾਲ, 7. ਘੋਹ, 8. ਸੈਲੀ ਭੋਲੀ, 9. ਅਜੀਜਪੁਰ ਕਲਾਂ, 10. ਖੁਦਾਵਰ, 11. ਅਸਲਾਮਪੁਰ, 12. ਭਜੂਰਾ, 13. ਲਾਹੜੀ ਸਮਾਨਚਾ, 14. ਪੰਜੋੜ, 15. ਝੰਡਪੁਰ, 16. ਕਲੇਸਰ, 17. ਮੇਰਾ ਕਲੋਨੀ ਬਨੀ ਲੋਧੀ

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ਸੁਜਾਨਪੁਰ

ਪਿੱਠ ਅੰਕਣ ਨੰਬਰ: 4789 ਸੁਪਰਡੈਂਟ/ਮਿਤੀ: 14/01/25
 ਇਸ ਦੀ ਇੱਕ ਪਰਤ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਟੇਟ ਇਨਫਰਮੇਸ਼ਨ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਚੈੱਕ ਕਰਾਸ ਬਿਲਡਿੰਗ ਨੇੜੇ ਰੋਡ ਗਾਰਡਨ ਸੈਕਟਰ-16 ਚੰਡੀਗੜ ਜੀ ਦੀ ਸੇਵਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਹਿੱਤ ਭੇਜੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

ਪਬਲਿਕ ਇਨਫਰਮੇਸ਼ਨ ਅਫਸਰ-ਕਮ-
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5. Copy of the same is handed over to the counsel of the appellant. Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Advocate is appearing on behalf of the appellant. He states that he is not satisfied with the same. He is advised to file his response/rejoinder alongwith judgments on the next date of hearing with a copy to the respondent.

6. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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Post Office Madhopur Cantt., Pathankot – 145024

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Sujanpur, District Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 126 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Council for the appellant (9876796666)
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Ramesh Kumar, Panchayat Secretary-cum-PIO
(8146192625), Sh. Vijay Kumar, Panchayat Secretary-cum-PIO (9779017035)

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 30.06.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.01.2025 in the Commission i.e. today.

3. During the hearing held on 18.09.2023 before the bench of former SIC Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, respondent stated that the information demanded by the appellant is third party information. Further the respondent was directed to file point wise reply.

4. The perusal of the file shows that the respondent has filed point-wise reply. The same is as under:-

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APPEAL CASE NO. 126 OF 2023

ਵੱਲ ਸੁਜਾਨਪੁਰ।

ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਸੰਜੀਵ ਠਾਕੁਰ ਜਰਨਲਿਸਟ
 ਪਿੰਡ ਗੁੜਾ ਖੁਰਦ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਤੇ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਪਠਾਨਕੋਟ।

ਨੰਬਰ: /ਸੁਪਰਡੈਂਟ/ਮਿਤੀ:

ਵਿਸ਼ਾ: ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ 2005 ਤਹਿਤ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਮੁਹਇਆ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਸਬੰਧੀ।

ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਆਪ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਰਮੇਸ਼ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਦੀ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ ਅਧੀਨ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਭੇਜੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

ਲੜੀ ਨੰ	ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ	ਸੂਚਨਾ
1	Provide Service book of Ramesh Kumar (Secretary) and the village allotted to him.	ਸ਼੍ਰੀ ਰਮੇਸ਼ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਲਿਖਤੀ ਤੌਰ ਤੇ ਨਿਮਨਹਸਤਾਖਰ ਨੂੰ ਪੇਸ਼ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਸਰਵਿਸ ਬੁੱਕ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਨਿੱਜੀ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਇਹ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ ਅਧੀਨ ਕਵਰ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਨੂੰ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਪੰਚਾਇਤਾਂ ਅਲਾਟ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਹੋਈਆਂ ਹਨ।
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1. ਫਿਰੋਜਪੁਰ ਕਲਾਂ, 2. ਕੋਲਾਸ਼ਪੁਰ, 3. ਪਡਿਆ ਲਾਹੜੀ, 4. ਗੰਦਲਾ ਲਾਹੜੀ, 5. ਐਮਾਂ ਮੁਗਲਾ, 6. ਮਾਧੋਪੁਰ ਕੋਟ, 7. ਮਾਧੋਪੁਰ, 8. ਨਵਾਂ ਪਿੰਡ ਤਰਫ ਗੁਜਰਾ, 9. ਸੁਜਾਨਪੁਰ ਦਿਹਾੜੀ, 10. ਫੂਲਚਕ ਕੁਲੀਆਂ, 11. ਵੇਸੀਆਂ ਪੂਹ ਬਾਈ, 12. ਫੂਲਚਕ ਵੇਸੀਆਂ, 13. ਸ਼ਹਿਰ ਕੁਲੀਆਂ, 14. ਰਾਣੀਪੁਰ, 15. ਦਲਤਪੁਰ ਜਟਾਂ, 16. ਰਾਜਪੂਰਾ, 17. ਅਖਵਾਨਾ, 18. ਮਿਰਜਾਪੁਰ, 19. ਜਾਖਿਆ ਲਾਹੜੀ, 20. ਬੁਧੀ ਨਗਰ, 21. ਕਿੰਗਰੀਆਂ, 22. ਰਤਨ ਕਲੋਨੀ ਗੰਦਲਾ ਲਾਹੜੀ, 23. ਗੁੜਾ ਖੁਰਦ, 24. ਭਨਵਾਲ, 25. ਰਾਣੀਪੁਰ ਇੱਕਲਾ

ਪਿੰਠ ਅੰਕਣ ਨੰਬਰ: 479/ ਸੁਪਰਡੈਂਟ/ਮਿਤੀ: 14/9/23

ਇਸ ਦੀ ਇੱਕ ਪਰਤ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਟੇਟ ਇਨਫਰਮੇਸ਼ਨ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਹੈਡ ਕਰਾਸ ਬਿਲਡਿੰਗ ਨੇੜੇ ਰੋਜ਼ ਗਾਰਡਨ ਸੈਕਟਰ-16 ਚੰਡੀਗੜ ਜੀ ਦੀ ਸੇਵਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਹਿੱਤ ਭੇਜੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

ਪਬਲਿਕ ਇਨਫਰਮੇਸ਼ਨ ਅਫਸਰ-ਕਮ-ਬਲਾਕ ਵਿਕਾਸ ਅਤੇ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਅਫਸਰ ਸੁਜਾਨਪੁਰ

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5. Copy of the same is handed over to the counsel of the appellant. Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Advocate is appearing on behalf of the appellant. He states that he is not satisfied with the same. He is advised to file his response/rejoinder alongwith judgments on the next date of hearing with a copy to the respondent.

6. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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S/o Shri Baldev Singh Salaria,
R/o Mohalla Rajput Nagar, Village Gurha Khurd,
Post Office Madhopur Cantt., Pathankot – 145024

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Narot Jaimal Singh, District Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 127 OF 2023

Present :- i) Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Council for the appellant (9876796666)
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 18.08.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.01.2025 in the Commission i.e. today.

3. During the hearing held on 18.09.2023 before the bench of former SIC Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, respondent was absent and one opportunity was given to him to appear before the Commission.

4. Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Advocate is appearing on behalf of the appellant stated that no response whatsoever has been received from the respondents till date. No one has put in appearance on behalf of the respondents nor has any communication been received from

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them. In the interest of justice, Respondent PIO is afforded one more opportunity to provide the appellant point-wise complete specific information, duly attested, free of cost, by registered post, in accordance with his RTI application and present a photocopy of the relevant postal receipt along with a copy of the information provided, before the Commission on the next date fixed, for its perusal and records. Respondents to note that in case no one comes present on their behalf on the next date fixed, punitive provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 may be invoked against the erring officer(s).

5. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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Village Gurha Khurd, Post Office Madhopur Cantt.,
Pathankot – 145024

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Market Committee,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Market Committee,
Pathankot.

Public Information Officer,
o/o Director, Colonization, '
Punjab, Mandi Bhawan,
Sector 65A, Mohali

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 128 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Rahul Dev Singh counsel for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Bikramjit Singh, DMO-cum-PIO (8968609090) and
Sh. Balbir Singh Bajwa, APIO (9914050499)

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 08.07.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.01.2025 in the Commission i.e. today.

3. During the hearing held on 18.09.2023 before the bench of former SIC Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, appellant was asked to point out deficiencies in the information provided by the respondent.



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4. Today, Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Advocate is appearing on behalf of the appellant states that no information has been given to the appellant so far.

5. Respondent states that the point-wise reply has already been sent to the appellant.

6. After hearing both the parties and going through the case file, it is observed that the appellant demanded information on two points. Regarding point no. 1 respondent states that the information is on website.

Representative of the appellant has expressed his satisfaction over the same. Regarding point no. 2 i.e. " *Please provide the list of persons allotted Booths in Sabzi Mandi, Pathankot*" respondent states that the information is related with Director, Colonization, Punjab, Mandi Bhawan, Sector 65A, Mohali.

Hence, PIO o/o Director, Colonization, Punjab, Mandi Bhawan, Sector 65A, Mohali is impleaded as respondent no. 2. Further, PIO o/o Director, Colonization, Punjab, Mandi Bhawan, Sector 65A, Mohali is directed to come present on the next date of hearing alongwith information on point no. 2.

7. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

8. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Post Office Madhopur Cantt., Pathankot – 145024

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Sujanpur,
District Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Sujanpur,
District Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 130 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Rahul Dev Singh, Council for the appellant (9876796666)
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 18.08.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.01.2025 in the Commission i.e. today.

3. During the hearing on 18.09.2023, before the bench of former SIC Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, the appellant was advised to point out deficiencies in the information.

4. Today, Sh. Rahul Dev Singh is appearing on behalf of the appellant. He states that no information has been given to the appellant so far.

5. Respondent is absent today. He has not informed the Commission about his absence for today's hearing.

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6. The perusal of the file shows that the respondent has sent his reply. Representative of the appellant states that he has not received any reply. Reply sent by the respondent is as under:-

ਸ੍ਰੀ ਸੰਜੀਵ ਠਾਕੁਰ, ਪੁਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਬਲਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ
ਮੁੱਹਲਾ ਰਾਜਪੂਰ ਨਗਰ, ਡਾਕਖਾਨਾ ਮਾਧੋਪੁਰ ਕੈਂਟ
ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਪਠਾਨਕੋਟ।
ਮੋਬਾਇਲ ਨੰ. 98142-89764
ਨੰ :- 567 ਮਿਤੀ :- 18.07.2023

ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਐਕਟ 2005 ਅਧੀਨ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਮਗਵਾਉਣ ਸਬੰਧੀ।
ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਵਲੋਂ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਈ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਪ੍ਰਫਾਰਮੇ ਵਿੱਚ
ਨੂੰ ਕੇਜ਼ੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ।

ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ	ਦਿੱਤੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਦਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ
Please Provide The Details Of Funds Of Sewerage For Sujanpur Along With Details Of Funds And Expenditure Since 1 April 2017 To 31 March 2022	ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਸੁਜਾਨਪੁਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਸੀਵਰੇਜ ਦੀ ਵਿਵਸਥਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਕਰਕੇ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾ NIL ਸਮਝੀ ਜਾਵੇ।
Please Provide The Details Of Expenditure Along With Bills And Voucher Since 1 April To 31 March	ਉਕਤ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ

ਕਾਰਜ ਸਾਧਕ ਅਫਸਰ
ਨਗਰ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਸੁਜਾਨਪੁਰ।

Copy of the same is handed over to the representative of the appellant today in the Commission. He states that he is not satisfied with the same. Since, the representative of the appellant is not satisfied, he is advised to file his response/rejoinder with a copy to the respondent.

7. Both the parties are directed to appear, in person, on the next date of hearing for deliberations, failing which the case will be decided on merit, ex-parte.

8. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

(Dr.Bhupinder S. Batth)
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Shri Sanjeev Thakur, (98142 89764)
S/o Shri Baldev Singh Salaria,
R/o Mohalla Rajput Nagar, Village Gurha Khurd,
Post Office Madhopur Cantt., Pathankot – 145024

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Narot Jaimal Singh, District Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Pathankot.

Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 132 OF 2023

Present :- (i) Sh. Rahul Dev Singh counsel for the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

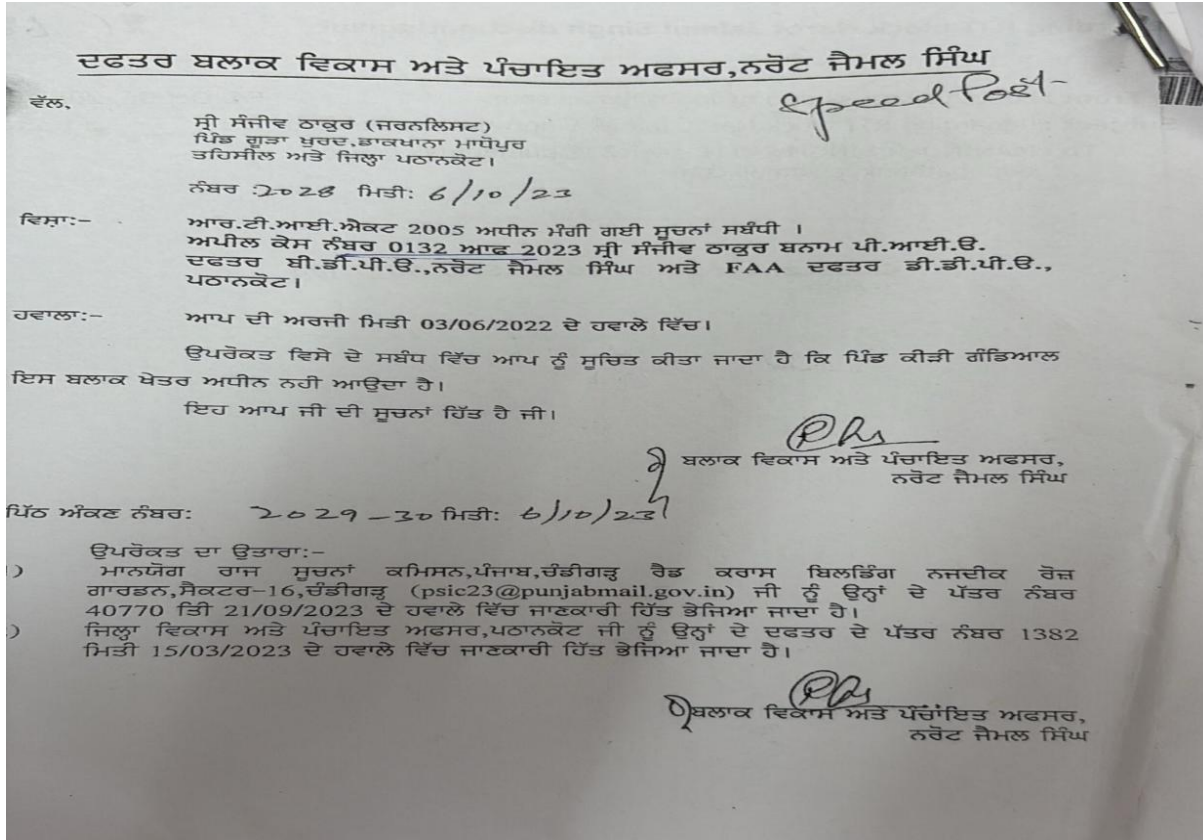
ORDER

The above said appeal case was earlier allocated to Sh. Maninder Singh Patti, SIC. After his retirement, the said appeal case was reallocated to the undersigned. The RTI application is dated 03.06.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellant Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.01.2025 in the Commission i.e. today.

3. Today, Sh. Rahul Dev Singh is appearing on behalf of the appellant. He states that no information has been given to the appellant so far.

4. Respondent is absent today. He has sent his reply which is as under:-



5. After hearing the representative of the appellant and examining the case file, it is ascertained that the appellant demanded the information which is as under:-

"Please provide details of Shamlat/Jumlamustarka Land at Village Kiri Gandyal alongwith present status of possession etc."

Further the respondent has given reply that Village Kiri Gandyal is not covered their jurisdiction.

6. Keeping in view the facts of the case, the Commission directs the First Appellate Authority i.e. DDPO, Pathankot to re-examine the matter and provide a clear, cogent and reasoned point-wise response to the Appellant as per the provisions of the RTI Act 2005 within a period of 30 days from the date of receipt of this order. Further, First Appellate Authority is also directed to come present on the next date of hearing.

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7. To come up on **01.07.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Dr. Bhupinder S. Batth)
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Date :14.01.2025

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Pakhawal Road, Ludhiana.
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Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Education Punjab,
Mini Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, Education Punjab,
Mini Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh.

Respondents

COMPLAINT CASE NO. 188 OF 2024

Present :- (i) Sh. Paramjit Singh the complainant
(ii) For the respondent : Smt. Kiran, Sr. Assistant (9888522629)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 06.10.2023 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application and complaint case was filed in the Commission on 22.04.2024 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.01.2025 in the Commission i.e. today.

3. Complainant states that he filed RTI with the department on 06.10.2023 and the respondent has sent reply on 15.02.2024. He further states that he has not been provided the information within the time as prescribed under the RTI Act 2005. He has, therefore, suffered mental harassment. For this the Complainant demands that the Respondent be penalized. He states that he only wants action against the respondent for not sent any reply/information to him within prescribed time.

4. The perusal of the file shows that the complainant filed complaint case with the Commission. He has not availed the provision of the Sections 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). In this regard, the Commission places reliance on a judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 12.12.2011 in the matter of [Central Information Commissioner vs. State of Manipur](#) wherein it was held as under:



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"...28. The question which falls for decision in this case is the jurisdiction, if any, of the Information Commissioner under [Section 18](#) in directing disclosure of information. In the impugned judgment of the Division Bench, the High Court held that the Chief Information Commissioner acted beyond his jurisdiction by passing the impugned decision dated 30th May, 2007 and 14th August, 2007. The Division Bench also held that under [Section 18](#) of the Act the State Information Commissioner is not empowered to pass a direction to the State Information Officer for furnishing the information sought for by the complainant."

As such, since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provision of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

5. In this case, the complainant wants action against the respondent for not sent any reply/information to him within prescribed time. This shows that the respondent has no regard for the RTI regime. Therefore, I deem it appropriate to issue show cause notice under section 20 (1) of the RTI Act , 2005, to PIO O/o Secretary Education, Punjab as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay / denial in providing the information to the RTI applicant. He is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing before the next date of hearing.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby 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 note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

6. To come up on **09.04.2025 at 11.30 AM** for further proceedings in the Commission.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date :14.01.2025

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