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Sh. Ranjit Singh Kehlon

R/o White Avenue, Tibri Road,
Gurdaspur

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Civil Surgeon,
Gurdaspur

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Gurdaspur

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5912 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Balwinder Kumar, Sh. Gurinder Singh, DPO, Dr. Ankur Kaushal (7087842494) and Sh. Parminder Singh (8146325577) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.10.2024.

2. The respondent made the submissions that the information as available on record has already been supplied to the appellant and nothing more is available on record, which could be supplied. He further submits that no deficiency has been received from the appellant and requested to close the case. However, the appellant is absent without intimation. It is also a fact that a copy of previous order was sent to him through registered post but even though he is absent. It is also a fact that **last opportunity** was awarded to him to remain present for deliberations but he has failed to avail the given opportunity, which appears that he has nothing to say in this regard and does not intend to pursue the case.

3. Keeping in view the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, this appeal is **disposed of & closed**.

Date:18.12.2024

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Ms. Jagroop Kaur

D/o Sh.Rajinder Singh
VPO-Paddi Jagir,
Tehsil Phillaur
Distt. Jalandhar

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
-cum-Medical Superintendent
O/o The Civil Hospital
Jalandhar

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Civil Hospital
Jalandhar

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1525 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 25.09.2024.

2. The appellant was given **a last and final opportunity** to remain present along with her ID proof to collect the information which is sensitive in nature but neither the appellant appeared through Video Conference Facility, as has been requested by the appellant nor any submissions have been received from her.

3. The respondent, Dr. Varinder Kaur intimated the Commission telephonically that she is unable to attend hearing due to urgent official work. It is also a fact that a show cause notice was issued to her and she has already filed the written reply and requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued to her. After consideration the show cause issued to her is hereby withdrawn.

4. Since, an ample opportunities have been given to the appellant but the appellant remained absent consecutively third time, therefore, the Commission is of the view no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, this appeal is **disposed of & closed**.

Date:18.12.2024

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Sh. Santokh Singh

S/o Sh. Milkha Singh
Village Gagnoli, PO-Sahri,
Tehsil & District Hoshiarpur
(M.- 904158766)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o BDPO, Hoshiarpur

First Appellate Authority

O/o DDPO, Hoshiarpur

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4016 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Subhash, Panchayat Officer (9781297468) and Sh. Jagmeet Singh,
Panchayat Secretary (9877975923) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

2. The respondent made the submissions that the information as available on record has already been supplied to the appellant and nothing more is available on record, which could be supplied. He further submits that no deficiency has been received from the appellant and requested to close the case. Further, he tenders unconditional apology and requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued to the respondent PIO. However, the appellant is absent without intimation, which appears that his absence is intentional and willful. The prima facie shows that he has nothing to say in this regard and does not intends to pursue this case.

3. After hearing the contentions made by the respondent during the hearing, the show cause notice which was issued to the respondent PIO is hereby withdrawn.

4. Keeping in view the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required in this case. Hence, this case is **disposed of & closed**.

Date:18.12.2024

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Sh. Ashok Kumar

S/o Sh. Sham Lal,
Bank Street, New Basti,
Nabha-147201, District Patiala
(M:9780150888)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o District Manager,
Markfed, Sangrur

First Appellate Authority

O/o District Manager,
Markfed, Sangrur

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4716 of 2022

Present : Sh. Ashok Kumar, the appellant along with Sh. Shivam Goyal.
Sh. Gurinderjit Singh, Superintendent (9915311982) and Sh. Lovepreet Singh,
Senior Assistant (7400300065) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.09.2024.

2. The respondent handed over the information sought to the appellant during the hearing and after receipt of the same he made the submissions that he is satisfied with the same.
3. Keeping in view the submissions made by the appellant, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, this appeal is **disposed of & closed.**

Date:18.12.2024

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Dr. Sunil Khosla,
557, UGF, Celestia Royal,
Omaxe New Chandigarh, Mullanpur
Mohali.(M.8146100199)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal
Arya College, Rishi Dayanand Marg,
Civil Lines, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Principal
Arya College, Rishi Dayanand Marg,
Civil Lines, Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5415 of 2023

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.11.2024.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. However, the respondent is also absent without intimation. It is also a fact that copy of the last order dated 28.11.2024 was sent to the appellant through registered post but even though he is absent.

3. It is pertinent to mention here that on the last date of hearing i.e. 28.11.2024, **last opportunity** was granted to the appellant to plead his case but in spite of the given opportunity the appellant is not present. It seems that he is not serious to pursue his case as well as absence of appellant prime facie seems intentional and willful, which is not sustainable.

4. Keeping in view the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case, as an ample opportunities have already been given to the appellant. Hence, the case is **disposed of & closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 18th December, 2024
R.S

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Sh. Harbhagat Singh Grewal

S/o Sh. Jasbir Singh Grewal
R/o House No. 151, Block-J,
Sarabha Nagar, Ludhiana-141001
(M:895400001)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Civil Surgeon,
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority

O/o Civil Surgeon,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2139 of 2023

Present : (i) Sh. Harbhagat Singh, the appellant- in person.
(ii) Dr. Amritpal Behl, Medical Officer O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. (M.9815956668), Sh. Naveen Kumar, Pharmacy Officer O/o SMO, Ludhiana (M.9805468035) and Dr. Aditya, APIO O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana (M.9560912923), the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.11.2024.

2. The appellant states that he has received the complete information and is satisfied with the same except point Nos. 24 and 25 of his RTI application.
3. The respondent PIO is appearing in person and has filed a written submission mentioning therein that information pertaining to point Nos. 24 and 25 has already been given to the appellant vide letter dated 30.08.2023 and has again brought the same to deliver it personally to the appellant today with a copy to the Commission. Copy of the same is handed over to the appellant.
4. After going through the information, the appellant states that he is satisfied with the same and gives his consent to close the case.
5. Keeping in view the above, the Commission is of the view that no further cause of action is required to be taken. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Dated: 18th December, 2024
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Sh. Kamalpreet Singh,
134, Basant City,
Pakhawal Road,
Ludhiana-142022 (Punjab)
(M : 7719791331)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Vice Chancellor
Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Vice Chancellor,
Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar(Punjab)

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5921 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Manjit Singh(M.-9417032936), Assistant Registrar, for the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order 22.08.2024.

2. The appellant made the submissions through an e-mail today i. e. 18.12.2024 at 10:38 A. M. and requested for an exemption of his personal appearance. He has also requested for the information pertaining to his e-mail dated 17.02.2022. However, the respondent is present from Amritsar and submitted that a reply alongwith the present status of an e-mail has already been apprised to the appellant. He further submits that nothing more can be supplied to the appellant at this stage and requested to close the case on the basis of an order passed by the Commission, vide which he was directed to send the written submissions but his submissions have been received today. It is also fact that the appellant is absent consecutively third time. He was also given a last opportunity to send the written submissions vide order dated 22.08.2024 but the appellant is filing the submissions today i. e. 18.12.2024 which appears to be a delaying tactics, which are not acceptable in the eyes of the law.

3. Therefore, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed**.

Date :18th December, 2024
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(M : 7719791331)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Vice Chancellor,
Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Vice Chancellor,
Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar(Punjab)

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5922 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Manjit Singh(M.-9417032936), Assistant Registrar, for the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order 22.08.2024.

2. The respondent is present today. The appellant through an e-mail has requested that his personal appearance be exempted and shown his willing to withdraw this case.
3. Keeping in view all the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed**.

Date :18th December, 2024
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Pakhawal Road,
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.....Appellant

Vs

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O/o The Vice Chancellor,
Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Vice Chancellor,
Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar(Punjab)

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5924 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Manjit Singh(M.-9417032936), Assistant Registrar, for the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order 22.08.2024.

2. The respondent is present today. The appellant through an e-mail has requested that his personal appearance be exempted and shown his willing to withdraw this case.
3. Keeping in view all the above, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed**.

Date :18th December, 2024
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Sh. Kamalpreet Singh,
134, Basant City, Pakhowal Road,
Ludhiana-142022 (Punjab)
(M : 7719791331)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Vice Chancellor,
Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Vice Chancellor,
Guru Nanak Dev University,
Amritsar(Punjab)

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5923 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Manjit Singh(M.-9417032936), Assistant Registrar, for the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order 22.08.2024.

2. The appellant made the submissions through an e-mail today i. e. 18.12.2024 at 10:30 A. M. and yesterday i. e. 17.12.2024 at 07:15 A. M. and also requested for an exemption of his personal appearance. However, the appellant relied upon a judgment passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil appeal no, 10044 of 2010 titled in Central Public Information Officer, Supreme Court of India versus Subhash Chandra Agarwal and requested that nothing can be supplied to the appellant as no 'larger public interest' involved in seeking the information related to 'third party'.

3. It is also appropriate to mention here the judgment passed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in a Special Leave Petition no. (Civil) 27734 of 2012 : Girish Ramchandra Deshpande V/s Central Information Commissioner and Others and the relevant portion of the same is as follows :

"The performance of an employer/officer in an organization is primarily a matter between the employee and the employer and normally those aspects are governed by the service rules which fall under the expression

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“personal information”, the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or public interest. On the other hand, the disclosure of which would cause unwarranted invasion of privacy of that individual. Of course, in a given case, if the central Public Information Officer or the State Public Information Officer of the Appellate Authority is satisfied that the larger public interest justifies the disclosure of such information, appropriate orders could be passed but the petitioner can not claim those details as a matter of right.”

4. It is also a fact that the respondent came from Amritsar to attend the hearing. On the other hand, the appellant is absent. It is also a fact that the appellant is absent consecutively third time and also a last opportunity was awarded to the appellant to send the written submissions but the appellant has sent the e-mail at the eleventh hour, which appeared to be a delaying tactics, which are not sustainable in the eyes of law. Also, the appellant is unable to justify any 'larger public interest' involved in seeking the information related to 'third party'.

5. Therefore, the Commission is of the view that no further action is required to be taken in this case. Hence, the case is **disposed of and closed**.

Date :18th December, 2024

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Sh. Harbans Singh
H. No. 450, New Swaraj Enclave,
Sector 127, Kharar,
Distt. – S. A. S. Nagar(Mohali)
(M.- 9872617552)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Kharar, Distt. – S. A. S. Nagar(Mohali)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Kharar, Distt. – S. A. S. Nagar(Mohali)

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2748 of 2023

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Ravi Jindal (M.-9646350091) Executive Officer ;
ii) Sh. Gulshan Mehta(M.-9876468637), Advocate ;
iii) Sh. Vinay Mahajan,(M.-9815506666), Municipal Engineer ;
iv) Sh. Anil Kumar(M.-9478024052), Junior Engineerfor the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.11.2024.

2. The respondent submitted that complete information has been supplied in this case and the penalty amounting to Rs. 5000/-, which was imposed upon the PIO vide orders dated 04.12.2023 will be deposited and a copy of the challan receipt will be submitted to the Commission positively.

3. Sh. Vinay Mahajan, Municipal Engineer, also made written submissions by way of an affidavit as well as oral submissions with regard to show cause notice issued to him and also tenders unconditional apology. Also, he has requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued to him. Keeping in view the submissions made by the respondent, after consideration, the show cause notice issued to him is hereby withdrawn.

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4. On assurance of the respondent, the case is **Disposed of and closed** with the directions to the respondent PIO to comply with the orders dated 04.12.2023 by depositing penalty amounting to Rs. 5000/- and send a copy of the challan receipt to the Commission. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, a stringent action will be taken against such conduct.

Date :18th December, 2024

**(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner**