



Shri Manish Kumar,
H. No. 02, Ganesh Vihar,
Dhakoli, Zirakpur, District Mohali.

Versus

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer
O/o Executive Engineer,
PSPCL, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Chief Engineer, South Zone,
PSPCL, Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No. 1385 of 2022

Present: (i) **Shri Manish Kumar, appellant, in person.**
(ii) **Er. H.S. Oberoi, Addl.S.E. & Shri Ritesh Sachdeva, Superintendent, PSPCL Commercial Sub Division, Zirakpur, Respondent / PIO-in person.**

ORDER

1. This order may be read with the reference to the order dated 03.11.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing. Shri Hemant Kumar, AEE Commercial Sub Division PSPCL Zirakpur, District Mohali and Shri Manish Kumar, appellant were present.

2. The case has been heard today. Shri Manish Kumar, appellant comes present in person before the Bench and states that he has not been provided correct information and the information provided is incomplete.

3. Er. H.S. Oberoi, Addl.S.E. & Shri Ritesh Sachdeva, Superintendent, PSPCL Commercial Sub Division, Zirakpur come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. Shri Ritesh Sachdeva states that information on all points except point No.5 & 6 has been supplied to the appellant. He also hands over a copy of the same to the appellant in the court itself. The respondent further states that the appellant was afforded opportunity of hearing by the First Appellate Authority on 10.12.2021 wherein the appellant did not come present. The First Appellate Authority, being convinced with the supply of information to the appellant vide letter dated 07.12.2021 by the PIO, had disposed off the appeal.

4. The appellant, on perusal of information, contends the version of respondent and states that the grievance raised in his complaint still exists. He also contends that he has not been apprised of day to day action taken on his complaint.

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5. Then the Bench directs the respondent to explain the position regarding each point. The Bench agrees with the position explained before the Bench on each point and also agrees that information sought in respect of electricity load of house No.136 to 148, as asked for on point No.5 & 6 is personal and third party information and the same has been rightly denied. With regard to the grievance of the appellant regarding shifting of a electricity supply pole, the respondent explains that this involves a separate process and the appellant should contact the PSPCL office as certain fee is required to be deposited for the shifting of an electricity supply pole. Regarding the contention of appellant regarding day to day action on his complaint, the PIO states that this entire process is digitised and thus, the same is not akin to process followed when hard copies of complaints were processed on file.

6. The appellant alleges delay in supply of information and produces before the Bench a judgment of Hon'ble High Court and contends that for the delay, penalty must be imposed on the PIO for the delayed supply of information.

7. Post deliberations, the Bench observes that adequate information stands supplied to the appellant. The Bench also peruses the judgment of Hon'ble High Court. However, on consideration of the facts and circumstances in the appeal case in totality and that the first appeal of the appellant having been disposed off after due consideration and adequate supply of information by the PIO, does not accept the contention of appellant. The Bench also agrees with the version of the respondent that in case of digitisation of redressal of complaints, day to day action taken report is not feasible as it could only be provided had the same been dealt with on office files.

8. In view of the above, the Bench is not inclined to proceed further in the matter. **As such, the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
30.11.2022

Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Copy to: Er. H.S. Oberoi, Addl.S.E., PSPCL Commercial Sub Division, Zirakpur,
District Mohali.