

Shri Surjeet Singh Aujla,
Village Aujla Dak,
PO Liddar Kalam, The. Phiullaur,
District Jalandhar

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Superintending Engineer,
Punjab Water Supply & Sanitation
Division , Amritsar

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Superintending Engineer,
Punjab Water Supply & Sanitation
Circle, Amritsar

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3220 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 07.04.2021 has sought information on 06 points regarding details of work done under 2-A/2B from 01.03.2019 to 01.04.2021 by all Sub Divisions alongwith copy tenders/dispatch registers – details of maintenance work for water supply alongwith copies of bills passed – copies of cash book – a copy of quotation register as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of SE- Supply & Sanitation Division Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 15.05.2021, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case was earlier heard by Sh.Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner on 12.10.2021. The respondent present pleaded that the information is voluminous since it relates with 22 sub divisions and out of them information of 4 sub divisions has already been provided to the appellant. The respondent further asked for an adjournment and assured to provide the remaining information. The PIO was directed to provide remaining information and send a compliance report to the Commission.

The appellant was directed to point out the discrepancies if any in the information once received and the PIO was directed to remove the same.

On the date of hearing on 21.12.2021, both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

On the date of the hearing on 22.03.2022, the appellant claimed that the PIO had supplied incomplete information and the discrepancies were pointed out to the PIO vide letter dated 22.11.2021 & 22.03.2022 but the PIO has not sorted out the same.

The respondent was absent nor had complied the order of the Commission to provide the complete information. The PIO was **issued a show cause notice under section 20** of the RTI Act and directed to file reply on an affidavit.

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The case has **come up for hearing before this bench today** through video conferencing at DAC Jalandhar/Amritsar. Both the parties are absent. As per a letter dated 28.03.2022 received in the Commission on 11.04.2022, the appellant has received the information and has requested to close the appeal case.

However, the PIO has not filed a reply to the show cause notice issued on 22.03.2022. The PIO is given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show cause notice.

To come up for further hearing on **27.02.2023** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated: 10.11.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner