



Shri Vikaramjit Singh (964692711)
411/4, Darshan Singh Nagar,
PATIALA.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The SSS Board, Punjab
Sector 68, Mohali

First Appellate Authority
O/o The SSS Board, Punjab
Sector 68, Mohali

...Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5235 OF 2021

PRESENT: **Sh. Vikaramjit Singh, the appellant**
 Sh.Anek Singh, PIO for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 11.01.2021 has sought the certified copy of question papers of Punjab steno typist and Punjabi Junior Stenographer taken by SSS Board in the year 2017 as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SSS Board, Punjab. The appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 26.02.2021 which took no decision on the appeal after that he filed 2nd appeal in the Commission.

The case last came up for hearing on 25.07.2022 through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. As per appellant, no information was provided by the respondent.

The respondent was absent nor represented. However, a letter from the PIO was received in the Commission stating that information is being attached herewith to the appellant but no information was received with the said letter in the Commission.

Having gone through the RTI application and record available in the file, the Commission observes that more than one and half year has elapsed, the PIO has not supplied the information. Therefore, viewing a prima facie violation of section 7 from the PIO (office of the Secretary, SSS Board Punjab), **a Show Cause notice under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, was issued to the PIO and directed to file reply on an affidavit.**

The PIO is directed to supply information to the appellant for next date of hearing.

Hearing dated 05.12.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. As per the respondent, the information has been provided.

The appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

The PIO has filed a reply to the show cause notice which has been taken on record. It has been mentioned in the reply that the deponent has just joined as Suptd. in the office of SSSB on 13.07.2022 and since no advance information/summon was received for the hearing fixed for 25.07.2022, he could not attend the hearing. After receipt of orders of the Commission, the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 14.03.2022 with a copy to the Commission.

Since the information has been provided, I accept the plea of the PIO and drop the show cause.

The case is **disposed of and closed.**

Chandigarh
Dated : 05.12.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commission