

Sh Kuldeep Singh, S/o Sh Gurmail Singh,
R/o VPO Mansooran,
Tehsil & Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary/President,
Local Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee,
Gurudwara Sahib Bahi Burha Ji, Village Mansooran,
Distt. Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Secretary, SGPC,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 5672 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Kuldeep Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Simarjit Singh, PIO for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 30.07.2021 has sought details of agricultural land in the name of Gurudwara Budha Sahib Mansura alongwith contract income in the year 2014-15 and the name of the contractor – details of the employees working in the Gurudwara from April 2014 to April 2021 – details of langar expenses for the years from 2014 to and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of O/o Secretary, Local Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee Gurudwara Sahib Bahi Burha Ji, Village Mansooran, Distt.Ludhiana.

The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the first appellate authority on 13.09.2021, which took no decision on the appeal.

The case last came up for hearing on 06.06.2022 through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. As per the appellant, the PIO had not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent. There was nothing on record which shows that the RTI application has been attended to. There has been an enormous delay of more than ten months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission directed the PIO to explain the reasons for not attending to the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act and provide whatever information available to the appellant and send a compliance report to the commission.

Hearing dated 03.10.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. As per the appellant, the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent Sh.Simarjit Singh is present at DAC Bathinda and sought some more time to provide the information on the plea that some of the record has been received from the Local Gurudwara Committee, but as per the sought information, some of their record has been sent for audit. The respondent has assured to provide information within three weeks.

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The PIO is directed to provide information to the appellant within three weeks of the receipt of the order and send a compliance report to the Commission. If any of the information is not available, to file an appropriate reply.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **19.12.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh
Dated: 03.10.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner