



Prem Kumar Rattan,
H. No. 78/8,
Park Road, Navi Mandi,
Dhuri, Distt. – Sangrur (Punjab)
(M.-8509580002)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Dhuri, Distt. – Sangrur(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4303 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Mohit Sharma, Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Bhiwanigarh ;
- ii) Sh. Manjit Singh, Inspector -cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 23.06.2021. First appeal is dated 09.08.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.09.2021.

3. This case was last heard on 28.10.2022 and copy of the order was sent to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab to fix the responsibility of then PIO, with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 12.04.2022 passed by the Commission by deducting penalty of Rs. 10,000/- from the salary of the concerned PIO (who was posted as Public Information Officer of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Dhuri on 26.06.2021).

4. Sh. Mohit Sharma, Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Bhiwanigarh, who appeared in today's hearing, orally states that he was not the PIO when the RTI application was moved.

5. Sh. Manjit Singh, Inspector-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

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6. The appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan, is not present in today's hearing but through an e-mail dated 30.11.2022, has intimated the Commission that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and pointed out certain deficiencies. It is taken on record.

7. After going over the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request and the response given by the respondent PIO concerned, it emerges that only information at point no. 03 and 04 are pending.

8. Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the remaining information at point no. 03 and 04 of the RTI request to the appellant through registered post or through an e-mail with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

9. After examining the case file, it is observed that during the previous hearing i.e. 28.10.2022, has been wrongly sent to "*Principal Secretary, to Government of Punjab, Department of Local Government, Punjab, Civil Sectt, Sector 9, Chandigarh.*"

10. Let the orders again be sent to Principal Secretary, Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh with these directions that the enquiry may be conducted and the responsibility of the delinquent officer, the then PIO be fixed, who shall be liable to pay the amount of penalty i.e. Rs. 10,000/-. A compliance report in this regard be sent to the Commission office before the next date of hearing.

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11. To come up on **02.01.2023 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date : 7th December, 2022

CC :

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government. of Punjab,
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