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APPEAL CASE NO. 3427 OF 2021

Shri Lakhvir Kumar, (98725 15368)
S/o Shri Jaspal Ram,
President Punjab Society against Corruption & Crime Branch,
R/o Village Gandhwan, Tehsil Phagwarwa,
District Kapurthala.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o XEN/Executive Engineer,
Electrical Division,
PWB (B&R), Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Superintending Engineer,
Electrical Circle,
PWB (B & R), Sangrur.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Pawan Kumar Ahuja, XEN (Electrical) for the Respondents (97800 48110)

ORDER (FIRST HEARING):

The RTI application is dated 10.05.2021 vide which the Appellant has sought information from the PIO O/o XEN/Executive Engineer, Electrical Division, PWB (B&R), Sangrur on the following 5 points in his RTI application: -

- 1) ਆਪ ਦੇ ਮੰਡਲ ਦਫਤਰ ਦਾ ਮਹੀਨਾ 9/2020 ਦਾ ਏ.ਜੀ. ਪੰਜਾਬ, ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਨੂੰ ਭੇਜੇ ਗਏ ਮੰਥਲੀ ਅਕਾਊਂਟ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ ਜੀ।
- 2) ਸਮਾ 01-04-2020 ਤੋਂ 31-03-2021 ਤੱਕ ਦੇ ਆਪਦੇ ਮੰਡਲ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਟੈਂਡਰ ਰਜਿਸਟਰ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ ਜੀ ਅਤੇ ਇਸੀ ਸਮੇਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਸਾਰੀਆਂ ਕੈਸ ਬੁੱਕਾਂ (ਮੇਨ ਕੈਸ ਬੁੱਕ ਅਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਾਈਵੇਟ ਕੈਸ ਬੁੱਕ) ਦੀਆਂ ਫੋਟੋ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ ਜੀ।
- 3) ਸਮਾ 01-04-2020 ਤੋਂ 31-03-2021 ਤੱਕ ਦੇ ਆਪਦੇ ਅਧੀਨ ਆਉਂਦੇ ਸਾਰੇ ਉਪ ਮੰਡਲ ਦਫਤਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਕੁਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਰਜਿਸਟਰ ਅਤੇ ਵਰਕ ਆਰਡਰ ਬੁੱਕ ਦੀਆਂ ਤਸਦੀਕ ਸੂਚੀ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ ਜੀ।
- 4) ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਕੁਟੇਸ਼ਨਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਆਪਦੇ ਮੰਡਲ ਦਫਤਰ ਤੋਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਗਈਆਂ ਅਪਰੂਵਲ ਦੀਆਂ ਫੋਟੋ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ ਜੀ।
- 5) ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਕੁਟੇਸ਼ਨਾਂ ਅਗੈਸਟ ਕੀਤੀਆਂ ਗਈਆਂ ਅਦਾਇਗੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਬਿਲਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ ਜੀ ਅਤੇ ਜੇਕਰ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਕੁਟੇਸ਼ਨਾਂ ਦੀ ਇਨਵਾਸਮੈਂਟ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਉਸਦੀਆਂ ਵੀ ਫੋਟੋ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ ਜੀ।

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On not receiving information from the PIO or on filing First Appeal with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 11.06.2021, the Appellant filed Second Appeal in the Commission on 29.07.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and as such Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 01.02.2022.

The case is fixed for today. The Appellant is absent. The Respondent states that requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant and he has acknowledged the same in writing.

After going through the case file it is found that the respondent has been supplied the requisite information to the appellant and he has been acknowledged the same in writing. Therefore, no further cause of action is left in the instant Appeal Case, the case is **closed and disposed off**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
01.02.2022**

Sd/-
(Maninder Singh Patti)
State Information Commissioner

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3882 OF 2021

Hony Capt Nand Lal, (9256511951)
S/o Sh. Dhanna Singh
R/o Majri (Rasulra, Tehsil Khanna),
District Ludhiana-141401

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Lokpal, Punjab,
S.C.O. No. 149-152, Sector-17-C, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Lokpal, Punjab,
S.C.O. No. 149-152, Sector-17-C, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Hony Capt Nand Lal, Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER: (SECOND HEARING)

The RTI application is dated 23.12.2020 vide which the Appellant has sought information from the PIO O/o Lokpal Punjab on the following points in his RTI application: -

- 1) *It is submitted that complaint no. 17 of 2017 titled as Nand Lal & another Versus Jarnail Singh Wahid Chairman Markfed & Others was decided vide orders dated 04.11.2020.*
- 2) *I am in need of the certified copies and relied documents submitted by the respondent in the said complaint case no. 17 of 2017 titled as Nand Lal & another Versus Jarnail Singh Wahid Chairman Markfed & others, decided vide orders dated. 04.11.2020 as the same are required by me for filing appeal.*

On not receiving information from the PIO or on filing First Appeal with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 14.05.2021, the Appellant filed Second Appeal in the Commission on 27.08.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and as such Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 23.11.2021.

This case earlier heard by the Ld. State Information Commissioner Shri Hem Inder Singh on 23.11.2021. However, since the Ld. State Information Commissioner has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 21.01.2022.

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The case is fixed for today. The Appellant reiterates his earlier version that no information has been provided to him by the Respondents.

The PIO is absent. However, on the last date of hearing, the PIO stated that information sought by the appellant could not be provided to the appellant due to covered under section 18 of the Punjab Lokpal Act, 1996. Section 18 (1) of the Act provides as under:

"Any information obtained by the Lokpal or UPlokpal or by any officer, employee or agency or person referred to in Section 8, in the court of or for the purpose of any verification or inquiry under the Act and any evidence recorded or collected in connection therewith shall be treated as confidential and notwithstanding anything contained in the Indian Evidence Act 1872, no Court shall be entitled to compel the Lokpal or Uplokpal or any such officer, employee, agency or person to give evidence relating to such information or to produce the evidence so recorded or collected."

In view of the aforementioned, no further action is required on behalf of the Commission in the instant Appeal Case, the case is **closed and disposed off**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
01.02.2022

Sd/-
(Maninder Singh Patti)
State Information Commissioner