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Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Sh. Tejinder Singh,

R/o Village Bholapur, PO Ramgarh, Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana. 141123.

M: 9041004313Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o The Commissioner.

Municipal Corporation, Pathankot.

First Appellate authority,

O/o The Commissioner,

Municipal Corporation, Pathankot.Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2114 of 2018

Present: Shri Jasbir Singh, is present on behalf of Appellant.

Sh.Wazir Raj, Assistant Town Planner and

Smt. Sonika Malhotra, Building Inspector (Zone-1),

are present on behalf of Respondents/PIO

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 04.02.2019. On the last date, the appellant had come present. On behalf of PIO/Respondent, Smt. Sonika Malhortra had come present.

During discussions with the parties, it had been observed that the notices issued under Sections 269(1) and 270(1) must have been issued on the basis of violations which were assessed by the Municipal Corporation. The version of the PIO/Respondent that no separate record was being maintained in respect of the information sought by the Appellant was not accepted. Accordingly, Show Cause Notice was issued to the PIO O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Pathankot to Show Cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. PIO was also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.

Strict instructions were issued to the PIO/Respondent to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post and to come present in person along with the information on the next date of hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 2114 of 2018



Today on behalf of the appellant Sh.Jasbir Singh comes present. The PIO/Respondent, Shri Wazir Raj, Asstt.Town Planner and Smt.Sonika Malhotra come present. PIO states that the information has been supplied the information vide letter dated 18.02.2019, copy of which is available on the file.

On the asking of the court, Sh.Jasbir Singh, though points out that there has been considerable delay in supply of information, but expresses satisfaction to the information supplied. He also gives in writing in this regard to the court.

In view of the fact that the information has been supplied to the satisfaction of the Appellant, the appeal is disposed of and the case is closed.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated:01.04.2019

Sd/-

(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commission Punjab

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....Appellant

Sh. Jasbir Singh,

R/o Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bholapur Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh, Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana. 141123.

M : 9888296107 **Versus**

Public Information Officer, O/o State Transport Commissioner,Pb. Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

First Appellate authority, O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Sector 17C, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3223 of 2018

Present: Shri Jasbir Singh, Appellant is present.

Sh.Devinder Kumar, Supdt., PIO and Sh. Gurpal Singh, APIO are present on behalf of Respondents/PIO

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. On the last date, the appellant had come present. On behalf of PIO/Respondent, none had come present and as such, no statement could be recorded.

On the last date, since none had come present in spite of issuance of Show Cause Notice to the PIO/Respondent, a penalty of Rs.3000/- was imposed and apart from this, a compensation of Rs.2000/- was awarded in favour of the Appellant for non-furnishing the information the Appellant. The PIO/Respondent was also directed to produce a copy of proof of having deposited the penalty amount as also to produce a copy of the cheque/ demand draft for having paid the compensation amount to the Appellant. The Appellant was also advised to go through the information and point out deficiencies, if any, after receiving the information by him.

Today, the Appellant comes present. The PIO/Respondent Shri Devinder Kumar and APIO Sh.Gurpal Singh come present from the office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab. It has been brought to the notice of the Court that the information had been supplied to the Appellant one day prior to the last date of hearing fixed on 05.02.2019, vide letter dated 27.03.2019 with which a letter is also enclosed showing the receipt of information given by the Appellant dated 04.02.2019. However, the Court was left to believe that the information had not been supplied as nobody was present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent to inform the Court regarding the information supplied.

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Appeal Case No. 3223 of 2018



The appellant has pointed out that he received the information on his visit to PIO/Respondent on 05.02.2019. He states that information is not clear and he has sought further clarification regarding the enquiries/complaints against one Shri Sukhwinder Singh, an employee of Regional Transport Authority, Patiala. PIO/ Respondent is directed to supply this information to the Appellant on or before the next date of hearing.

Keeping in view the fact that the information had been given by the PIO/Respondent and the receipt had been taken from the Appellant, and the fact that penalty of Rs.3000/- had been imposed on the PIO/Respondent and the compensation of Rs.2000/- had been awarded in favour of the Appellant due to the wrong belief that the Appellant had not been supplied the information, are hereby waived of.

The Appellant and PIO/Respondent to come present on the next date of hearing, which is fixed for 22.05.2019 at 11.00 A.M.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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....Appellant

Sh. Jasbir Singh,

R/o Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bholapur Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh, Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana. 141123. M: 9888296107

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Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Punjab, Department of Transport, Punjab Civil Sect-2, Sector -9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate authority,

O/o Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Punjab, Department of Transport, Punjab Civil Sect-2, Sector -9, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3224 of 2018

Present: Shri Jasbir Singh, Appellant is present.

Sh. Devinder Kumar, Supdt., PIO and Sh. Gurpal Singh, APIO are present on behalf of Respondents/PIO

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. On the last date, the appellant had come present. On behalf of PIO/Respondent, none had come present and as such, no statement could be recorded.

After discussion with the Appellant and going through the case file, it was observed that the PIO/Respondent had been absent on 04.12.2018 and no information had been provided to the Appellant. Accordingly, the Show Cause Notice had been issued to the Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Transport under Section 20(1) of RTI Act to show cause why penalty be not imposed for willful delay in supplying the information and why compensation be not awarded to the information seeker under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005. PIO had also been given opportunity of personal hearing to clear the facts of the case on the next date.

Today, the Appellant Sh.Jasbir Singh comes present. From the office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sh.Devinder Kumar, Supdt./PIO and Sh.Gurpal Singh, APO come present and hand over a copy of letter dated 01.04.2019 to the Appellant and also submit a copy of the same to the Court which is taken on record.

On the asking of the court, Sh.Jasbir Singh, Appellant expresses satisfaction on the information supplied and also gives in writing to this effect.

In view of this, the appeal is disposed of and the case is closed. Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner,
Punjab

Dated:01.04.2019

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Er. A.K. Mahajan,

H. No B-485, Sec -IV, Phase II,

New Shimla (171009) HP. M: 9418021894

....Applicant

Vs.

Public Information Officer.

O/o Executive Officer,

Town Improvement Trust, Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Addl. Director, Department Of Local Govt.,

Punjab, Sector-35A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2166 of 2018

Present: The appellant Er. A. K. Mahajan is absent.

Sh.Bhartendu Sharma, Legal Assistant, Improvement Trust, Pathankot

And Sh.Paramjit Singh, Senior Assistant are present.

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 03.12.2018. The Appellant Sh.A.K. Mahajan was absent. Shri Bhartendu Sharma, Legal Assistant, was present on behalf of Respondents/PIO.

Shri Bhartendu Sharma, Legal Assistant had come present on 03.1.22018 and produced a copy of the Affidavit of the PIO, which was taken on record. On going through the case file and the affidavit, it was observed that the affidavit had not been prepared correctly. PIO/Respondent was directed to submit correctly prepared affidavit within a week. PIO O/o The Executive Officer, Town Improvement Trust, Pathankot was issued show cause notice for delaying the information. Sh.A.K. Mahajan was absent but a letter had been received from him requesting for providing him a copy of the affidavit to be submitted by the PIO and had also requested to treat his letter as his pleadings.

On the next date on 04.02.2019, Sh.Manoj Kumar, Executive Officer and Sh.Bhartendu Sharma, Legal Assistant had come present and had submitted an affidavit in the Court and had stated that the original copy of affidavit would be sent by registered post to the Appellant.

In view of the above, PIO O/o, The Executive Officer, Town Improvement Trust, Pathankot was issued Show Cause Notice for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. PIO was also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.

On 04.02.2019, Sh.A.K. Mahajan, Appellant was absent, but a letter 28.01.2019 received from him was available on record. Vide this letter, he had requested for providing him the copy of affidavit to be submitted by the PIO/ Respondent and also to treat this letter as his written pleadings in the Court.

Appeal Case No. 2166 of 2018



PIO Shri Manoj Kumar had come present on 04.02.2019 and had submitted affidavit dated 04.02.2019 to the court which was taken on record. He had stated that another original copy of the affidavit would be sent by registered post to the Appellant. The Appellant was given last opportunity to point out deficiencies, if any, on receipt of the information/affidavit and send the same to the PIO/Respondent before the next date of hearing.

Today, the Appellant comes present and refers to the deficiencies pointed out by him vide his letter dated 12.03.2019 received in the Commission on 13.03.2019, in which he has pointed out that the affidavit is for the period 31.10.1973 to 23.01.2015. He states that the information sought by him as at point No.3 regarding action taken and copy of the final decision arrived out in terms of order dated 24.08.2017 passed by the Hon'ble High Court. However, on the last date, the PIO had furnished the affidavit dated 04.02.2019 in which there is no mention of the same. PIO is directed to clarify, as to whether they have taken any action on the order dated 24.08.2017 or not of the Hon'ble High Court.

Last opportunity is given to the PIO/Respondent to give correct information to the Appellant by registered post, otherwise penalty would be imposed. The Appellant is advised to point out deficiencies, if any, to the PIO/Respondent with a copy to the Court.

Both the parties to come present on next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 27.05.2019 at 11.00 A.M.

Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

Dated:01.04.2019

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Sh. Surjit Singh,

H.No 2990/76, Street No 4, Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Near Mair Di Chakki, PO Daba, Ludhiana. M: 9988013004

....Appellant

Vs.

Public Information Officer.

O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Commissioner,

Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2080 of 2018

Present: Shri Gurcharan Singh, on behalf of Appellant is present.

Shri Harbir Singh, SDO from Zone-C on behalf of Respondent/PIO

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 01.04.2018. The Appellant Shri Surjit Singh was absent. Shri Mankaran Singh, Junior Engineer form Zone-C, M.C. Ludhiana had come present and produced letter dated 24.01.2019 informing that the Appellant was called for inspection on 04.09.2018 and 11.09.2018. But neither this letter showed as to whether the Appellant had visited for inspection on 17.12.2018 as directed on the last hearing, nor the official present on behalf of PIO, Shri Mankaran Singh was able to inform anything about the same.

In view of this, the Appellant Shri Surjit Singh was given one more opportunity to inspect the record in the office of PIO/Respondent on 28.02.2019 at 11.00 AM and in the event of his failure to inspect the record on the said date as per directions of Court, the case would be decided on merits.

Today, Sh.Gurcharan Singh comes present on behalf of appellant Shri Surjit Singh and produces authority letter. On the asking of the Court, he expresses his ignorance about the case and informed that he has asked only to attend the court. On other hand, Sh.Harbir Singh, SDO who appears on behalf of the PIO refers to letter dated 26.03.2019 sent vide e.mail dated 26.03.2019 available in the file. He states that the Appellant had been called for inspection of record on 04.09.2018, 11.09.2018, 17.12.2018 and then on 28.02.2019, but the Appellant did not turn up to inspect the record in spite of the last opportunity given to him.

From the above, it appears that the Appellant is delaying the matter and actually, he is not interested in getting the information as he had been absent on the last two consecutive hearings. **As such, the appeal is disposed and the case is closed.**

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties.

Sd/-

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Dated:01.04.2019

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Sh.Labh Singh Sandhu

S/o Sh.Harwinder Singh Advocate, Ch.No.573, Yadvindra Court Complex,

Patiala. ... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Director, Technical Education & Industrial Training Deptt., Punjab Sector-36A, Chandigarh.

..Respondent

Complaint No.684/2018

Present: Sh.Nikhil Batra, Advocate on behalf of Sh.Labh Singh Sandhu, Complainant.

Sh.Rashpal Singh, Sr. Assistant and Sh.Lakesh Kumar, SA

on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

ORDER;

Dated: 01.04.2019

On the last date, Shri Nikhil Batra had appeared on behalf of Sh.Labh Singh, Complainant. on the joint request of the Complainant. Shri Rashpal Singh, Sr. Asstt. was present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent. He had handed over the information to Shri Nikhil Batra, Rep; of the complainant. On the asking of court to see if the information was in order, he sought time to go through the information. Accordingly, one date was given to him to go through the information and point out deficiencies, if any, before the next date.

Today, Shri Nikhil Batra, Advocate appears on behalf of Appellant. He states that the complainant has pointed out the deficiencies vide letter dated 15.03.2019 and further states that no information has been supplied on Points No.I, II, IV, V, VI & VII. However, as regards information supplied on Point No.III, it is in respect of NCVT and SCVT admissions of sessions 2014 to 2017 and the same is still to be supplied for admissions of sessions 2001to 2013 of NCVT and SCVT. He also desires break-up of the total information.

On this, the representative of PIO says that they have asked for the information from the field ITIs and only on receipt of the same, it can be supplied. He is advised to give in writing that apart from this, there is no other information available with them. The information be supplied before the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to next date of hearing which is fixed for **27.05.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Both the parties to come present on the next date. Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

Sd/-

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Patiala. ... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Director, Technical Education & Industrial Training Deptt., Punjab Sector-36A, Chandigarh.

..Respondent

Complaint No.685/2018

Present: Sh.Nikhil Batra, Advocate on behalf of Sh.Labh Singh Sandhu, Complainant.

Sh.Rashpal Singh, Sr. Assistant and Sh.Lakesh Kumar, SA

on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

ORDER;

Dated: 01.04.2019

On the last date, Shri Nikhil Batra had appeared on behalf of Sh.Labh Singh, Complainant. on the joint request of the Complainant. Shri Rashpal Singh, Sr. Asstt. was present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent. He had handed over the information to Shri Nikhil Batra, Rep; of the complainant. On the asking of court to see if the information was in order, he sought time to go through the information. Accordingly, one date was given to him to go through the information and point out deficiencies, if any, before the next date.

Today, Shri Nikhil Batra, Advocate appears on behalf of Appellant. He states that the complainant has pointed out the deficiencies vide letter dated 15.03.2019 and further states that on Point No.I, only 3 pages information has been supplied and no information has been supplied on Points No.I, II, IV, V, VI & VII. However, as regards information supplied on Point No.III, it is in respect of NCVT and SCVT admissions of sessions 2014 to 2017 and the same is still to be supplied for admissions of sessions 2001 to 2013 of NCVT and SCVT. He also desires break-up of the total information.

On this, the representative of PIO says that they have asked for the information from the field ITIs and only on receipt of the same, it can be supplied. He is advised to give in writing that apart from this, there is no other information available with them. Last opportunity is given to PIO to supply this information before the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to next date of hearing which is fixed for **27.05.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Both the parties to come present on the next date. Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

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Sh.Manjinder Singh, President Human Rights & Environment Protection Organisation, S/o Sh.Jita Singh, R/o #699, Block-I, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana-141012(M-8283000236)

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information OfficerO/o Regional Transport Authority
Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority-cum-State Transport Authority, Punjab

Sector-17, Chandigarh.

...Respondents
Appeal Case No.3300 of 2018

Present: Sh.Manjinder Singh, Appellant is present

Sh.Raipal Singh, Junior Assistant, O/o RTA Gurdaspur

on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. The Appellant Sh.Manjinder Singh had come present. Sh.Rajpal Singh, Jr.Asstt. had come present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent and had handed over the letter dated 01.02.2019 containing requisite information to the Appellant with a copy to the court, which had been taken on record. The appellant had pointed out that incomplete information had been provided to him as he had desired information calendar year wise and as such, the information from 01.01.2012 to 31.03.2012 and from 01.04.2016 to 31.12.2016 was still pending.

In view of PIO/Respondent was directed to supply the pending information from 01.01.2012 to 31.03.2012 and from 01.04.2016 to 31.12.2016 to the Appellant by registered post. The Appellant was also advised to point out deficiencies in the information supplied, if any and to come present on the next date.

Today, Sh. Rajpal Singh, J.A. comes present without any authority letter. He states that the information has been supplied vide order dated 08.03.2014, copy of which is available in the file. He is, however not aware of the complete facts of the case. On the asking of the Court, the Appellant states that at Sr.No.2, the information is from 01.04.2013 to 31.12.2013. To this, the representative of PIO states that actually it is from 01.1.2013 to 31.12.2013, this is a typing mistake. Since Sh. Rajpal Singh is without authority letter, no cognizance of his present taken. As such, PIO is directed to give in writing that a clerical mistake had happened there at Sr.No.2 and also to supply the correct information.





Appeal Case No.3300 of 2018



Sd/-

On enquiring by the Appellant regarding installation of Speed Governors in the passenger buses, and action taken regarding non-compliance of the orders regarding installation of speed governors in the buses, Sh.Rajpal Singh says that he is unaware about the same.

PIO/Respondent is directed to supply the complete information point wise and come in person on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties to come present on the next date which is fixed for **27.05.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Copies of orders be given to both the parties.

Dated: 01.04.2019 (Sanjiv Garg)
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...Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o SDM-cum-Registering & Licensing Authority, Fatehgarh Sahib.

Public Information OfficerO/o Regional Transport Authority

Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

State Transport Authority, Punjab Sector-17, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.3303 of 2018

Present: Sh.Manjinder Singh, Appellant is present

Sh.Rajpal Singh, Junior Assistant, O/o RTA Gurdaspur

on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. The Appellant Sh.Manjinder Singh had come present. Sh.Parmod Kumar, Data Entry Operator had come present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent and had handed over the letter dated 11.01.2019 containing requisite information to the Appellant with a copy to the court, which had been taken on record. The appellant had pointed out that incomplete information had been provided to him as he had desired information calendar year wise and as such, the information from 01.01.2013 to 31.03.2013 and from 01.04.2017 to 31.12.2016 was still pending. He further pointed out that the remaining information was also to be given calendar year wise and not financial year wise.

In view of PIO/Respondent was directed to supply the pending calendar year wise information including the information from 01.01.2013 to 31.03.2013 and from 01.04.2017 to 31.12.2017 to the Appellant by registered post. The Appellant was also advised to point out deficiencies in the information supplied, if any and to come present on the next date.

Today, nobody has come present on behalf of the PIO/Respondents nor any intimation has been received for non-appearance.

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Dated: 01.04.2019

Appeal Case No.3303 of 2018



After discussion with the Appellant and going through the file, no information after the letter dated 11.01.2019 has been supplied by the PIO to the Appellant. Last opportunity is given to the PIO/Respondent i.e. Secretary, RTA Patiala to supply the complete information point wise and come in person on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties to come present on the next date which is fixed for **27.05.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Copies of orders be given to both the parties.

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Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,

Ward No 18, St. No -2, Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road, Khanna-141401,

District Ludhiana.

M: 9417594553, 9464692553 ...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Amloh Road, Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana.

First Appellant Authority,

O/o Regional Dy. Director, Urban Local Govt., 1st Floor, Mini Sectt. Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana.

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3251 of 2018

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia is present.

None is present on behalf of Respondent/PIO.

ORDER;

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. The appellant was present. On behalf of PIO/Respondent, Prem Singh, Junior Engineer had come present on behalf of PIO/Respondent and had submitted authority letter which was taken on record.

The Appellant had stated that incomplete information had been provided to him. Sh. Ajay Kumar, Junior Engineer, who had appeared on the previous hearing, was directed to supply the information and PIO was also directed to appear on the next date. But since still the information supplied was incomplete, as such, Show Cause Notice had been issued to the PIO/Respondent under RTI Act for delaying the information and an opportunity of Personal Hearing had also been given to the PIO to clear the facts. The Appellant had also been advised to point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the PIO/ Respondent.

Today, the PIO is absent without any intimation in spite of the show cause notice which had been issued to him during last hearing nor the complete information has been supplied to the Appellant. PIO had been directed last time to come present in person but he has failed to do so. Serious view of the casual approach towards the Court directions is taken.

Appeal Case No. 3251 of 2018



In view of the above, a penalty of Rs.2500/- (Rupees Two thousand Five hundred only) is imposed on the concerned PIO/Respondent, O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Khanna, Distrtict Ludhiana. The amount of penalty i.e. Rs.2500/- should be deducted from the salary of the PIO and be deposited in the Govt. Treasury under the head "0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act".

PIO/Respondent is also directed to come in person and submit the proof of having deposited the penalty on the next date of hearing. PIO/Respondent is further directed to supply the complete information before the next date of hearing. Copy of this order be sent to him through registered post for his ready reference.

The case is adjourned to 27.05.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

Sd/-

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner,
Punjab

Dated:01.04.2019

CC:

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o The Executive Officer,

Municipal Council, Khanna

District Ludhiana.

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Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,

Ward No 18, St. No -2, Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road, Khanna-141401,

District Ludhiana.

M: 9417594553, 9464692553Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Amloh Road, Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana.

First Appellant Authority,

O/o Regional Dy. Director, Urban Local Govt., 1st Floor, Mini Sectt. Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana.

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3253 of 2018

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia is present.

None is present on behalf of Respondent/PIO.

ORDER;

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. The appellant was present. On behalf of PIO/Respondent, none had come present on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

The Appellant had stated that no information and samples had been provided to him. He had further stated that he had visited the concerned office of PIO but neither Sh. Ajay Kumar, Junior Engineer, who had appeared on the previous hearing, nor anybody else was available to assist him to draw the sample and get the information. None was present on behalf of PIO/Respondent, so no statement could be recorded.

On going through the file, it had been found that during last hearing on 04.12.2018, the concerned authorities/PIO had been directed to supply requisite samples which were to be collected in present of Appellant and PIO had also been directed to appear before the Court the next date of hearing.

Today, the PIO is absent without any intimation in spite of the show cause notice which had been issued to him during last hearing nor the complete information and sample has been provided to the Appellant. PIO had been directed last time to come present in person but he has failed to do so. Serious view of the casual approach towards the Court directions is taken.

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In view of the above, a penalty of Rs.2500/- (Rupees Two thousand Five hundred only) is imposed on the concerned PIO/Respondent, O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Khanna, Distrtict Ludhiana. The amount of penalty i.e. Rs.2500/- should be deducted from the salary of the PIO and be deposited in the Govt. Treasury under the head "0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act".

PIO/Respondent is also directed to come in person and submit the proof of having deposited the penalty on the next date of hearing. PIO/Respondent is further directed to supply the complete information before the next date of hearing. Copy of this order be sent to him through registered post for his ready reference.

The case is adjourned to 27.05.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

Sd/-

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner,
Punjab

Dated:01.04.2019

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Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Amloh Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellant Authority,

O/o Regional Dy. Director, Urban Local Govt., 1st Floor, Mini Sectt. Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3254 of 2018

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia is present.

None is present on behalf of Respondent/PIO.

ORDER;

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. The appellant was present. On behalf of PIO/Respondent, Sh.Amarjeet Singh, Junioir Assistant had come present. The Appellant had stated that he had visited the concerned office twice for collecting the requisite samples but nobody was available to assist him.

After discussing with the parties and on going through the file, it had been found that during last hearing on 04.12.2018, the concerned authorities/PIO had been directed to supply requisite samples which were to be collected in presence of Appellant for which the representative of the PIO had himself requested the Court that the Appellant can visit their office on any working day for collecting the samples. But no such samples or information has been provided to the Appellant.

Today, the Appellant is present. On behalf of the PIO /Respondent, Sh.Amarjeet Singh, Junior Assistant has come present without any authority letter. His presence is not taken on record.

It is observed that in spite of the show cause notice issued to him during last hearing, neither the complete information and sample has been provided to the Appellant nor the PIO who had been directed last time to come present in person, has complied with the directions of Court. Serious view of the casual approach towards the Court directions is taken.

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In view of the above, a penalty of Rs.2500/- (Rupees Two thousand Five hundred only) is imposed on the concerned PIO/Respondent, O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Amloh, Distrtict Fatehgarh Sahib. The amount of penalty i.e. Rs.2500/- should be deducted from the salary of the PIO and be deposited in the Govt. Treasury under the head "0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act".

PIO/Respondent is also directed to come in person and submit the proof of having deposited the penalty on the next date of hearing. PIO/Respondent is further directed to supply the complete information before the next date of hearing. Copy of this order be sent to him through registered post for his ready reference.

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.... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Complaint Case No.663 of 2018

Present: The Complainant Sh.Sanjeev Goyal is absent.

Sh.Tushal Sharma, Water Works Supervisor is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. On the Last date, the complainant Sh.Sanjeev Goyal was absent but an e-mail dated 05.02.2019 had been received from him and it had been informed by him that incomplete information had been supplied to him. He has also requested for adjournment of the hearing.

The representative of the PIO/Respondent had come present and had stated that the complete information had been supplied to the complainant. He had also submitted letter dated 01.02.2019 along with postal receipt vide which information had been supplied to the complainant.

On going through the case file, last opportunity was given to the Complainant to point out deficiencies through registered post in the information supplied. He was also advised to appear in person or through any of his representatives, failing which the case would be decided on merits.

Today, Sh.Tushar Sharma, Work Supervisor, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present and produces copy of letter dated 18.03.2019 stating therein that the information to the complainant has been supplied vide letter dated 21.12.2018 and also produces postal stamp thereof affixed on the letter itself.

Today, the complainant Sh.Sanjeev Goyal is absent without any intimation to the court. He has been absent from the hearing on the last two consecutive dates. In spite of giving him last opportunity, he is absent today also.

In view of above, it is assumed that he is satisfied with the information supplied. The complaint is disposed of and the case is closed.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner, Puniab

Dated:01.04.2019

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.... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The General Manager, Pepsu Road Transport Corporation Bus Stand.Bathinda.

....Respondents

Complaint Case No.667 of 2018

Present: The Complainant Sh.Sanjeev Goyal is absent.

None is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 05.02.2019. The Complainant Shri Sanjeev Goyal was absent but an e-mail dated 05.02.2019 had been received from him requesting for adjournment of the hearing in the case. On behalf of the PIO/Respondent, Shri Sita Ram had come present and had stated that the requisite information had been sent to the complainant through registered post and had also submitted a copy of the letter dated 20.06.2018 containing certain information.

After discussion with Shri Sita Ram and going through the file, last opportunity was given to the Complainant Shri Sanjeev Goyal to appear in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing failing which the case would be decided on merits. He was also advised to point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the PIO/Respondent through registered post with a copy to the Commission. The PIO was also advised to supply the information after removing the deficiencies pointed out and also to appear in person or through his representative.

After discussion with Shri Sita Ram, representative of PIO/Respondent and going through the file, it is observed that vide letter dated 20.06.2018 and letter dated 24.09.2018, the information has already been supplied to the complainant by registered post. A letter dated 04.02.2019 is available in the file vide which it has been stated that the complainant has been asked vide letters dated 01.01.2019 and 30.01.2019 to inspect the record by visiting their office on any working day to inspect the record and get any other information which is still pending, but the complainant has not come present.

In view of the above, it is observed that the complainant has not pointed out any deficiencies nor has visited the office of PIO/Respondent. Moreover, he is absent for the 3rd consecutive hearing. It is assumed that he is satisfied with the information supplied to him and is no longer interested in pursuing the case.

As such, the complainant is disposed of and the case is closed. Copies of orders be sent to both the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Dated:01.04.2019