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Shri Mukesh Kumar, S/o Shri Tarsem Lal, R/o Ho.No. 482, Dalima Vihar, Rajpura, Distt. Patiala.

.....Appellant.

Public Information Officer, O/o Secretary, Health, Punjab, Mini Secretariat, Sector -9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority: O/o Secretary, Health, Punjab, Mini Secretariat, Sector -9, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3222 of 2020

Vs

Present:- Shri Mukesh Kumar, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Secretary, Health, Punjab, Chandigarh.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Mukesh Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 11.02.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Secretary, Health, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, but none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that no information has not been provided to him by the SPIO till date, whereas he has filed RTI application on 11.02.2020.

The SPIO was absent on 12.01.2021, 15.03.2021 and today again he is absent without any intimation to the Commission. The Commission has taken a serious note regarding the absence of the SPIO.

The appellant has filed RTI application on 11.02.2020 and a period of more than one year has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided any information to the appellant. The appellant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs.3,000/- is awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days along with attested copies of sought for information. This will be a last and final opportunity to the SPIO. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 27.07.2021 at 11:30 A.M.

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Shri Jasbir Singh, Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bholapur Jhabewal, Post Office Ramgarh, Distt.Ludhiana.

......Appellant.

Public Information Officer, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority: O/o Civil Surgeon,

......Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3264 of 2020

Vs

Present:- Shri Jasbir Singh, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. Dr. Ramandeep Kaur, APIO, O/o Civil Hospital, Ludhiana is present.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Ludhiana.

Shri Jasbir Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 13.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, but none present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. Dr. Ramandeep Kaur, APIO, O/o Civil Hospital, Ludhiana is present.

The appellant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him by the SPIO.

The Commission has received a mail sent by the SPIO on 20.05.2021, diarized vide no.10977, which is a copy of letter no.709 dated 10.05.2021. I have gone through the said letter vide which the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana has issued letter to all the SMOs of district Ludhiana U/s 6(3)b of the RTI Act, 2005 to provide the sought for information to the appellant and to appear before the Commission for today.

Dr. Ramandeep Kaur, APIO, O/o Civil Hospital, Ludhiana is present and she stated that the information related to their office has been sent to the appellant through registered post on 31.05.2021.

So, the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana is directed that he should issue directions to the concerned SMOs to send the attested copies of sought for information to the appellant within 10 days through registered post and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance.

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Shri Pankaj Kumar Malhotra, S/o Late Shri Vijay Kumar, R/o B-34, 6516, SN62B, Sunil Nagar, Street No.2, Jassian Road, Haibowal Kalan, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant.

Public Information Officer, O/o CMO, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority: O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3272 of 2020

Vs

Present:- Shri Pankaj Kumar Malhotra, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o CMO, Ludhiana.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Pankaj Kumar Malhotra, appellant filed RTI application dated 27.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o CMO, Ludhiana.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 15.03.2021 and the SPIO was directed that the attested copies of the information/reply be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance.

But the SPIO is absent today and neither he has sent any compliance report to the Commission that whether he has sent the information to the appellant or not.

The appellant has filed RTI application on 27.07.2020 and a period of more than ten months has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant. The appellant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs.3,000/- is awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days along with attested copies of sought for information. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-.

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Shri Rajwinder Singh, S/o Shri Kuldeep Singh, # 2636, Street No. 1, Azad Nagar, Near Shimla Market, Putligarh, Amritsar.

..... Complainant

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Public Information Officer, O/o District Child & Security Officer, 24, Majitha Road, Near Madan Hospital, Amritsar.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 814 of 2020

Present:- Shri Rajwinder Singh, complainant/applicant is present.

Shri Tejinder Singh, O/o District Child & Security Officer, Amritsar is present.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Rajwinder Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 23.07.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o District Child & Security Officer, Amritsar.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are present today.

The complainant/applicant stated that the information regarding point no. 3 and 4 of the RTI application is still pending as it is denied by the SPIO being third party information.

I have discussed about the information regarding point nos.3 and 4 of the RTI application with both the parties. The said information is not a third party information and be provided to the complainant/applicant.

So, the SPIO is directed to file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant/applicant that why the complete sought for information has not been provided to the complainant-applicant and send the same to the Commission as well as to the complainant/applicant within a week. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

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Smt. Kamaljit Kaur, Sarpanch Gram Panchayat, Mullapur Khurd, Distt, Fatehgarh Sahib.

..... Appellant

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Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Sirhind, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Sri Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3952 of 2020

Present:- Smt. Kamaljit Kaur, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Block Development and Panchayat

Officer, Sirhind, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Smt. Kamaljit Kaur, appellant filed RTI application dated 01.09.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o BDPO, Sirhind, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software. Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 16.03.2021 and the PIO was directed to send the complete information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days with a copy to the Commission.

Today though the SPIO is absent, but he has sent a mail to the Commission on 29.04.2021, diarized vide no.9622, which is a copy of letter no.93 dated 15.04.2021. I have gone through the said letter vide which the PIO-cum-BDPO Sirhind has directed Shri Harmeet Singh, Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat Mullanpur Khurd to provide the information to the appellant and to attend the hearing before the Commission for today. But inspite of the directions none has appeared on behalf of the respondent today.

The appellant has filed RTI application on 01.09.2020 and a period of more than eight months has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant. The appellant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs.2500/- is awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days along with attested copies of sought for information. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-.

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Shri Bakhshish Singh, S/o Shri Balwinder Singh, Village Jandwala Kharta, Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

..... Appellant

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Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Fazilka.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4001 of 2020

Present:- Shri Bakhshish Singh, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Block Development and Panchayat

Officer, Fazilka.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Bakhshish Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 27.07.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Fazilka.

Vs

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 16.03.2021 and the PIO was directed to send the complete information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days with a copy to the Commission. The PIO was also directed to file reply to the show cause notice for absence on the last date of hearing.

But today the PIO is again absent and neither he has sent any compliance to the Commission regarding the information and regarding the reply to the Show Cause Notice.

The appellant has filed RTI application on 27.07.2020 and a period of more than ten months has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant. The appellant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs.3000/- is awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days along with attested copies of sought for information. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-.

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Shri Ashwani Kumar, S/o Shri Joginder Parshad, L.A., Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar, R/o B2-657, Gandhi Camp, Jalandhar.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Accounts Branch, Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-Joint Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3999 of 2020

Present:- Shri Ashwani Kumar, appellant is absent.

Sh. Sandeep Kumar, PIO-cum-DCFA, O/o Accounts Branch, Municipal

Corporation, Jalandhar is present.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Ashwani Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 05.10.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Accounts Branch, Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is absent today, whereas the respondent PIO is present and he stated that the sought for information has been sent to the appellant vide letter no. 1971/DCFA dated 04.03.2021 and copy of the same has also been sent to the Commission as compliance.

On the other hand, the appellant though is absent today, but he has sent a mail to the Commission which was received on 24.03.2021, diarized vide no.6734 and it is submitted by him that incomplete information has been provided to him by the PIO.

So, the appellant is directed that he should submit the deficiencies in writing to the notice of the PIO within 5 days and the PIO is further directed to send the attested copies of information regarding the deficiencies to the appellant through registered post within a week from the receipt of deficiencies and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly.

The PIO is further directed that he should file reply to the Show Cause Notice that why he has not attended the hearing before the Commission on 16.03.2021 and send the reply to the Commission at least one week before the next date of hearing. IN case he will not file reply to the Show Cause Notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defence and the Show Cause Notice will be decided on the basis of the papers available in the file.

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Shri Vinod Kumar, S/o Shri Chiman Singh, V.P.O. Amarpura (Wahab Wala), Tehsil Abohar, Distt. Fazilka- 152116.

..... Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj,

Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar - 160062.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar – 160062.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4071 of 2020

Present:- Shri Vinod Kumar, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Financial Commissioner, Rural

Vs

Development & Panchayati Raj, SAS Nagar.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Vinod Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.09.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, SAS Nagar.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software. Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 16.03.2021 and the PIO was directed to send the complete information to the appellant through registered post within 15 days with a copy to the Commission. The PIO was also directed to file reply to the show cause notice regarding absence on the last date of hearing.

But today the PIO is again absent and neither he has sent any compliance to the Commission regarding the information and regarding the reply to the Show Cause Notice.

The appellant has filed RTI application on 25.09.2020 and a period of more than eight months has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant. The appellant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs.2500/- is awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days along with attested copies of sought for information.

The PIO is further directed to file reply to the show cause notice issued to him vide order dated 16.03.2021 and send the same to the Commission at least one week before the next date of hearing and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 27.07.2021 at 11:30 A.M.

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Shri Harjeet Singh, S/o Shri Balbir Singh, C/o Creative Builders, 133 – Urban Estate, Ram Tirath Road, Amritsar – 143105.

..... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o Chief Engineer, Panchayati Raj, P.W. Department, Punjab, Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar – 160062.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Financial Commissioner,
Rural Development & Panchayats Department, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62,
SAS Nagar – 160062.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4109 of 2020

Present:- Shri Harjeet Singh, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of Shri Sanjay Kumar Ghai, PIO-cum-XEN (Electrical), O/o Chief Engineer, Panchayati Raj, P.W. Department, Punjab, SAS Nagar.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Harjeet Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 01.09.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Chief Engineer, Panchayati Raj, P.W. Department, Punjab, SAS Nagar.

Vs

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software. The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the respondent.

The appellant stated that he has received the information sent by the PIO, but the information is incomplete. He further stated that on the last date of hearing the PIO stated that the information has been sent to the appellant on 09.10.2020 and then again on 22.02.2021, but he has not received any information as stated by the respondent and requested that the PIO be directed to submit the copies of those letters and postal receipts.

As the appellant stated that the incomplete information has been sent to him by the PIO, so he is directed to submit the deficiencies in writing to the notice of the PIO within 5 days and the PIO is further directed to supply the attested copies of information regarding the deficiencies to the appellant through registered post within 7 days from the receipt of deficiencies. The PIO is further directed to send the copies of the letters dated 09.10.2020 and 22.02.2021 to the appellant along with the postal receipts and copies of the same to the Commission as compliance. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice will be issued to the PIO on the next date of hearing.

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Shri Harjeet Singh, S/o Shri Balbir Singh, C/o Creative Builders, 133 – Urban Estate, Ram Tirath Road, Amritsar – 143105.

..... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj, P.W. Division, Punjab,

Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar – 160062.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Superintending Commissioner,
Panchayati Raj, PW Circle,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62, SAS Nagar – 160062.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4111 of 2020

Vs

Present:- Shri Harjeet Singh, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj,

P.W. Division, Punjab, SAS Nagar.

ORDER

Shri Harjeet Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 02.09.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Executive Engineer, Panchayati Raj, P.W. Division, Punjab, SAS Nagar.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software. The appealtn is present today, whereas none has appeared on behalf of the PIO. The appellant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him by the PIO as it is being denied U/s 8(h) of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO though is absent today but he has sent a mail to the Commission on 27.05.2021, diarized vide no.11560, which is a copy of letter no. 442 dated 26.05.2021 along with enclosures by stating that the matter is sub-judice and hence the information is temporarily with-held U/s 8(h) of the RTI Act, 2005.

I have discussed the RTI application with the appellant. The information sought by him does not come within the ambit of Section 8(h) of RTI Act, 2005.

So, the PIO is directed to send the attested copies of sought for information to the appellant through registered post within a week and copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice will be issued to the PIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 04.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.

(Avtar Singh Kaler)

Dated: 01.06.2021 State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Gurtej Singh Sidhu, ETO (R), S/o Late Shri Kartar Singh Sidhu, R/o Lal Kothi, Mohalla Darbar Sahib, Talwandi Sabo, Bathinda-151302.

O/o Excise & Taxation Department,

..... Appellant

Public Information Officer,

Barnala.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Excise & Taxation Commissioner. Patiala.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4114 of 2020

Present:-Shri Gurtej Singh Sidhu, appellant is present.

Shri Gursewak Goyal, Excise & Taxation Inspector is present on behalf of the

PIO, O/o Excise & Taxation Department, Barnala.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Gurtej Singh Sidhu, appellant filed RTI application dated 16.09.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Excise & Taxation Department, Barnala.

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Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are present today.

The appellant stated that complete information has not been provided to him by the SPIO.

The respondent stated that Shri Kapil Jindal, Excise & Taxation Officer is unable to attend the hearing for today due to death of his father and requested for adjournment.

The request of the respondent is heard and allowed with a direction to the PIO that the attested copies of complete sought for information, specifically parawise, be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a show cause notice will be issued to the PIO on the next date of hearing.

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Shri Kanwaljit Singh, # 174, Kanwaljit Singh Market, New Courts, Jalandhar – 144001.

..... Complainant

Public Information Officer, O/o Executive Officer, Jalandhar Improvement Trust, Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 942 of 2020

Present:- Shri Kanwaljit Singh, complainant/applicant is present.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Executive Officer, Jalandhar

Vs

Improvement Trust, Jalandhar.

ORDER

Dated: 01.06.2021

Shri Kanwaljit Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 04.11.2020 and sought some information from the PIO, O/o Executive Officer, Jalandhar Improvement Trust, Jalandhar.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The complainant-applicant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the respondent.

I have gone through the Order dated 16.03.2021 and the PIO was directed to send reply to the complaint filed by the complainant-applicant and also to file reply to the show cause notice issued to him for absence on the last date of hearing.

But today the PIO is again absent and neither he has sent any reply to the Commission.

The applicant has filed RTI application on 04.11.2020 and a period of about six months has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the applicant. The applicant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs.5000/- is awarded in favour of the applicant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the applicant through registered post within 15 days.

The PIO is further directed to file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant-applicant and also file reply to the show cause notice issued to him vide order dated 16.03.2021 and send the same to the Commission at least one week before the next date of hearing and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him.

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