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Ms. Preeti W/o Sh. Jasvir Singh, Village – Dayal, P. O. – Pojewal, Tehsil – Balachaur,

Distt. - Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar(Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Sub Division Balachaur, Distt. – Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 756 of 2021

Present: None on behalf of the complainant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 30.03.2021. The complaint has been received in the

Commission on 11.06.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 15.09.2021;

- i) The respondent PIO through a reply 1998-5P dated 04.09.2021, had intimated the Commission that givable information and a reply was given to the complainant vide letter no. 868-5P dated 12.04.2021.
- ii) The notice of hearing issued by the Commission on 05.08.2021 in the name of the complainant, Ms. Preeti was received back in the office of the Commission as 'undelivered' through Diary No. 18240 dated 17.08.2021.
- iii) A copy of the order was again sent to the complainant at her residential address with an opportunity to confirm whether she received the information, which was sent to her by the respondent PIO and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to her, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned with the advice to represent this case in person or through her representative on the fixed date or it will be assumed that she has received the information and is satisfied with the same and the case would be decided on merits.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was also directed to represent this case in person or through his representative on next date fixed for hearing through facility of software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Neither the complainant, Ms. Preeti nor the respondent is present in today's hearing

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 1998-5P dated 04.09.2021, which was received in the Commission vide Diary No. 20076 dated 06.09.2021, had intimated the Commission that givable

information and a reply has already been given to the complainant vide letter no. 868-5P dated 12.04.2021. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is placed in the case-file.

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Complaint Case No. 756 of 2021

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The complainant, Ms. Preeti, was absent on the last date of hearing, held on 15.09.2021. She is again absent from today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission. She has neither pointed out any deficiency in the information supplied to him, to the respondent-PIO, nor approached the Commission with any contrary claim in that regard, which reflects that the appellant has received the required information and is satisfied with the same.

Since complete information has been supplied by the respondent PIO and the appellant had not approached the Commission with any contrary claim, hence, no cause of action is left in this case, and the case is announced as <u>disposed of and closed</u>.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Amarjit Singh S/o Sh. Balvir Singh, V.P.O.- Karnana, Tehsil - Nawanshaher, Distt. –Shaheed Bhahat Singh Nagar(Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 652 of 2021

Present: None on behalf of the complainant.

Sh. Naresh Kumar, Head Constable, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 04.02.2021. The complaint has been received in the

Commission on 27.05.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 15.09.2021;

- i) The complainant stated that he had not received any information from the respondent PIO.
- ii) Sh. Naresh Kumar, Head Constable office of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Banga, stated that the information demanded through RTI request is regarding number of people(Ladies, Gents, Minors/Majors children, who died during period of 23.03.2020 to 13.07.2020 which is to be collected from 12 Police Posts in the District, hence, an adjournment be given in this case.
- The complainant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 17.09.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the complainant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office and supply the required information to the appellant after inspection.
- V) An opportunity was given to the complainant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Complaint Case No. 652 of 2021

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The complainant, Sh. Amarjit Singh is not present in today's hearing .

Sh. Naresh Kumar, Head Constable office of Deputy Superintendent of Police, Banga, who appeared in today's hearing, states that a reply was already given to the complainant vide letter no. 771-5P dated 25.02.2021. He also intimates the Commission that in compliance to the order dated 15.09.2021, the requisite information has been sent to the complainant vide letter no. 4215 dated 17.09.2021 with a copy to the Commission, appended to which is an acknowledgement receipt dated 17.09.2021 signed by the complainant of having received the information. It is taken on record.

Since complete information has been supplied by the respondent PIO and complainant has also acknowledged the same, hence, no cause of action is left in this case and the case is announced as <u>disposed of and closed</u>.

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Surinder Mittal, H. No. 302, Shaheed Udham Singh Nagar, Phagwara - 144402(Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer, O/o The Principal Secretary to Government. of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Superintendent,
 O/o The Director,
 Deptt. of Local Government,
 (LG Il Branch)
 Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 A,
 Plot No. 03, Chandigarh
- iii) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Superintendent,
 O/o The Director,
 Deptt. of Local Government,
 (Trust Services Cell)
 Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 A,
 Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 109 of 2021

Present:

None on behalf of the complainant.

Sh. Anil Kumar Kumar, Senior Assistant (Trust Services Cell) office of Director

Local Government, Punjab, for the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 22.06.2020. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 13.01.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 15.09.2021;

- i) Sh. Anil Kumar, Senior Assistant (Trust Services Cell) office of Director Local Government, Punjab, stated that the information sought by the complainant through RTI request is not found available in the official-record.
- ii) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to file a status report as to what action has been taken against the official concerned in whose custody the relevant office-record was lying positively.
- Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Superintendent (LG-II Branch) office of Director Local Government, Punjab, stated that the remaining information regarding resolution no. 21 dated 16.11.2016 demanded through RTI request relates with Trust Services Cell, hence, show-cause issued vide orders dated 06.04.2021 be dropped and a reply to the show-cause was sent to the Commission vide letter no. 876 dated 03.08.2021.

Complaint Case No. 109 of 2021

taken on record.

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The complainant, Sh. Surinder Mittal, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Anil Kumar, Senior Assistant (Trust Services Cell) office of Director, Local Government, Punjab, who appeared in today's hearing, states that vide order dated 15.09.2021, directions were given to file a status report as to what action has been taken against the official concerned in whose custody the relevant (missing) office-record was lying. He intimates the Commission that in compliance to the order dated 15.09.2021, a Committee (headed by Joint Director), has been constituted vide Office order dated 26.10.2021 to enquire the matter to take action against the official concerned in whose custody the relevant office-record was lying and DDR has been lodged in the office of S. S. P., Chandigarh and a copy of DDR complaint filed to the

After going over the queries raised by the complainant through his RTI request and the response given by the respondent PIO concerned and finding it satisfactory, no cause of action is left in this case, hence, the show-cause issued to the concerned respondent PIO of office of Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Chandigarh vide orders dated 30.06.2021 is <u>dropped</u> the case is announced as <u>disposed of and closed</u>.

office of S. S. P., Chandigarh has also been sent to the Commission. It, alongwith annexure, is

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Gurmeet Singh S/o Sh. Lal Singh, Village – Kikker Khera,

Tehsil - Abohar, Distt. - Fazilka(Punjab)

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V/s

i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Executive Engineer,
 Abohal Canal Lining Division,
 Canal Colony, Abohar, Distt. – Fazilka (Punjab)

ii) Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Engineer, Abohal Canal Lining Division, SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Superintending Engineer, Irrigation Department, Ferozepur Canal Circle, Ferozepur (Punjab)

...Respondents

....Appellant

Appeal Case No. 495 of 2020

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
The RTI request is dated 29.08.2019. First appeal is dated 08.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 27.01.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 15.09.2021;

- i) Sh. Gurvir Singh Sidhu, S. D. O., stated that a reply was given to the appellant vide letter no. 2099 dated 16.06.2021. He also intimated the Commission that Abohar Canal Lining Division does not exist presently and has been merged in Mining and Geology Department and related record is lying in the office of Abohar Canal Lining Division, SriMuktsar Sahib and a reply was also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 2099-2103 dated 16.06.2021, which is placed in the case-file.
- ii) The appellant stated that irrelevant information was given to him by the respondent PIO.
- iii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 15.09.2021 at 03:00 P. M. to identify the information.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office on 15.09.2021 at 12:00 and to supply the required information to the appellant, which would be identified by him after inspection.
- V) An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Appeal Case No. 495 of 2020

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Neither the appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh nor the respondent is present in today's

hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 143 dated 25.11.2021, which was received in the Commission vide Diary No. 26754 dated 29.11.2021, has intimated the Commission that the required information regarding copy of enlistment of contract license of Sh. Lal Singh (regarding which the information has been demanded through RTI request) has already been given to the appellant vide letter no. 143 dated 25.11.2021. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh is not present in today's hearing. He has neither pointed out any deficiency in the information supplied to him, to the respondent-PIO, nor approached the Commission with any contrary claim in that regard.

In view of the above, it is assumed that the appellant has received the requisite information and is satisfied with the same.

Since complete information has been supplied by the respondent PIO and the appellant had not approached the Commission with any contrary claim, which reflects that the appellant has received the required information and is satisfied with the same. Hence, the case is announced as <u>disposed of and closed</u>.

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Satish Kapoor,

133/7,

Dhawan Colony,

Ferozepur City (Punjab)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Engineer, Water Supply And Sewerage Division, Ferozepur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Executive Engineer, Water Supply And Sewerage Division, Ferozepur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2806 of 2021

V/s

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Date: 1st December, 2021

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 23.01.2021. First appeal is dated 31.03.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 16.06.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.09.2021;

- i) Neither the appellant nor the respondent was present.
- ii) Both the parties (appellant and the respondent PIO) are directed to represent this case in person or through their representative, on the fixed date so that the facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Satish Kapoor nor the respondent is present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 3377 dated 28.10.2021, which was received in the Commission vide Diary No. 3377 dated 28.10.2021, has intimated the Commission that the required information has already been given to the appellant, appended to which is an acknowledgement receipt dated 17.09.2021 signed by the appellant, having received the information. It is taken on record.

Since complete information has been supplied by the respondent PIO and appellant has also acknowledged the same, hence, no cause of action is left in this case and the case is announced as <u>disposed of and closed</u>.

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Sandeep Singh S/o Sh. Kashmir Singh, Village – Muazam, Teh. & Distt. - Fazilka - 152123 (Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Engineer(Rural), Punjab Water Supply And Sanitation, Near ITI Fazilka (Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 740 of 2021

Present: None on behalf of the complainant.

Sh. Jagjit Singh, S. D. O., on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 07.04.2021. The complaint has been received in the

Commission on 09.06.2021

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.09.2021;

- i) Neither the complainant nor the respondent was present.
- ii) The respondent through a reply vide letter no. 792 dated 01.09.2021 signed by Sub Divisional Engineer, Water Supply And Sanitation, Sub Division 01, Fazilka, had intimated the Commission that the required information was given to the complainant vide letter no. 791 dated 01.09.2021.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the complainant to confirm whether he received the information and also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned or it would be assumed that the complainant has received the required information and is satisfied with the same.
- iv) Another opportunity was given to both the parties (appellant and the respondent PIO) to represent this case in person or through their representative, on date fixed for hearing or the case would be decided on merits.

Sh. Jagjit Singh, S. D. O., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the complainant vide letter no. 791 dated 01.09.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 792 dated 01.09.2021 which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 19842 dated 03.09.2021. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information is placed in the case-file.

Complaint Case No. 740 of 2021

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The complainant, Sh. Sandeep Singh, was absent on the last date of hearing, held on 27.09.2021. He is again absent from today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission. He has neither pointed out any deficiency in the information supplied to him, to the respondent-PIO, nor approached the Commission with any contrary claim in that regard.

Since complete information has been supplied by the respondent PIO and the complainant had not approached the Commission with any contrary claim, which reflects that the complainant has received the required information and is satisfied with the same. Hence, the case is announced as <u>disposed of and closed</u>.

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