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Shri Harjit Singh,
R/o # 10-B, Medical Enclave,
Circular Road, Amritsar-143001

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o The Secretary, Regional
Transport Authority, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
Department of Transport,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-2,
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.1416 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Shri Gurpreet Singh, Section Officer/ PIO, O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Amritsar.

ORDER:

(Heard through cisco webex/on mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Harjit Singh has not come present in person before the Bench or through cisco webex to attend the hearing. However, a letter dated 19.10.2021 addressed by the appellant to the Chief Information Commissioner, PSIC is available in the case file whereby the appellant has requested for the transfer of instant appeal case to some other Bench.
3. Shri Gurpreet Singh, Section Officer/PIO O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the issues raised by the appellant in his RTI application have been resolved. He states that on examining the record, it has been found that RC No.PB-02-BS-8777 was allotted to one Shri Pawan Kumar s/o Shri Surjit Singh for his Alto Car and the appellant has been allotted registration number PB02-BS-8717 for his Scooter and necessary rectification order was passed on 27.04.2021 to this effect and copy was also sent to the appellant and as such, the grievance of the appellant stands redressed. He also states that the appellant was advised to take action at his level for on-line entry of this Registration No. of his scooter. He further states that the amount of penalty imposed has also been deposited vide E-Challan Receipt dated 01.12.2021 and that a copy has been sent by e.mail to the Commission.

4. Since the appellant is absent for today's hearing, he is contacted on mobile phone and apprised of the version of the PIO O/o R.T.A. Amritsar. However, the appellant still insists on the transfer of his appeal case to some other Bench.

5. The Bench, on examining the record available in the case file and perusing the order dated 27.04.2021 issued by the Secretary, R.T.A. Amritsar, is convinced that the issues raised by the appellant in his RTI application stands addressed and the amount of penalty imposed on the PIO has also been deposited. As such, the directions of the Bench have been complied with by the PIO. No further action on the appeal case is now warranted.

6. In view of the position as it emerges from the perusal of the case file, the Bench is not inclined to accede to the request of the appellant for transfer of the case. Rather, the Bench does not find any further cause of intervention in the instant appeal case.

7. In view of the above, **the appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
01.12.2021**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Surinder Kumar,
S/o Shri Bhagwan Dass,
Partap Nagar Welfare Society,
Ward No.8, Fatehgarh Churian,
District Gurdaspur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Fatehgarh Churian
District Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No.1502 of 2020

Present:

- (i) Appellant- absent.
- (ii) Shri Harjinder Singh, Clerk, Municipal Council, Fatehgarh Churian
District Gurdaspur on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through cisco webex/on mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Surinder Kumar has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
3. Shri Harjinder Singh, Clerk, O/o Executive Officer, M.C. Fatehgarh Churian comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the affidavit, as per direction of Hon'ble Bench, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 26.11.2021 and delivered by hand to the appellant on 29.11.2021 which has also been acknowledged by the appellant.
4. The appellant Shri Surinder Kumar is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, he confirms the receipt of affidavit and gives his consent to close the case.
5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Sarabjit Singh
S/o Late Shri Harbans Singh,
H.No.292, Nagar Sudhar
Trust Colony, Scheme No.5,
Gurdaspur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Sr. Superintendent of Police,
Batala, District Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Inspector General of Police,
Border Range, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No.3458 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent .
(ii) ASI Afrik Singh, RTI Cell, P.S. Dera Baba Nanak, Distt.Gurdaspur
on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

ORDER:

(Heard in Person/on Mobile Phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Sarabjit Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. The perusal of the previous order reveals that the appellant had sought another date to go through the information supplied to him.
3. ASI Afrik Singh, RTI Cell, P.S. Dera Baba Nanak, District Gurdaspur comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He reiterates his statement made during the previous hearing and further states that no deficiencies have been received from the appellant.
4. The appellant Shri Sarabjit Singh is contacted on mobile phone. He confirms the receipt of information to his satisfaction and gives his consent to close the case.
5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
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Shri Sarabjeet Singh Gill,
H.No.60-35-P-376-1, St. No.8,
Maha Singh Nagar,
Post Office Dhandari Kalan,
Ludhiana-141014.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1818 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Shri Ravinder Singh Walia, Draftsman, and Shri Rohit Thakur, Clerk,
Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER:

(Heard in person/on Mobile Phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Sarabjit Singh Gill has neither come present to attend the hearing before the Bench nor he is available to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. An e.mail dated 1.12.2021 has been received from him stating that the information provided is incomplete.
3. Shri Ravinder Singh Walia, Draftsman along with Shri Rohit Thakur from Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He produces before the Bench a copy of the affidavit filed on 09.03.2021.
4. The Bench, on perusal of the case file, expresses its displeasure on the way of functioning of the PIO as the version of representative of the PIO reveals that the PIO has not bothered to thoroughly go through the order of the Bench and comply with the order. The affidavit dated 09.03.2021 was not accepted and a direction was given to file a fresh affidavit during the previous hearing. The same affidavit was again being produced before the Bench.
5. The representative of the appellant Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia is contacted on mobile phone. He denies the receipt of affidavit and requests for allowing him inspection of records.



6. On the asking of the Bench, Shri Ravinder Singh Walia, the representative of the PIO Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana assures the Bench to comply with the directions as given during the previous hearing and send fresh affidavit to the appellant by registered post on 02.12.2021 and also to send a copy of the same to the Commission by e.mail.

7. In view of the assurance given by the representative of PIO to the Bench, **the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
01.12.2021**

**Sd/-
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Shri Sarabjeet Singh Gill,
H.No.60-35-P-376-1, St. No.8,
Maha Singh Nagar,
Post Office Dhandari Kalan,
Ludhiana-141014.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1820 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Shri Ravinder Singh Walia, Draftsman, and Shri Rohit Thakur, Clerk,
Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER:

(Heard in person/on Mobile Phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Sarabjit Singh Gill has neither come present to attend the hearing before the Bench nor he is available to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. An e.mail dated 1.12.2021 has been received from him stating that the information provided is incomplete.
3. Shri Ravinder Singh Walia, Draftsman along with Shri Rohit Thakur from Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He produces before the Bench a copy of the affidavit filed on 09.03.2021.
4. The Bench, on perusal of the case file, expresses its displeasure on the way of functioning of the PIO as the version of representative of the PIO reveals that the PIO has not bothered to thoroughly go through the order of the Bench and comply with the order. The affidavit dated 09.03.2021 was not accepted and a direction was given to file a fresh affidavit during the previous hearing. The same affidavit was again being produced before the Bench.
5. The representative of the appellant Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia is contacted on mobile phone. He denies the receipt of affidavit and requests for allowing him inspection of records.

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6. On the asking of the Bench, Shri Ravinder Singh Walia, the representative of the PIO Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana assures the Bench to comply with the directions as given during the previous hearing and send fresh affidavit to the appellant by registered post on 02.12.2021 and also to send a copy of the same to the Commission by e.mail.

7. In view of the assurance given by the representative of PIO to the Bench, **the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia,
Whistle Blower, Social Worker,
District President, Ludhiana NCAG,
H.No.60-35-P-376-1, St. No.8,
Maha Singh Nagar,
Post Office Dhandari Kalan,
Ludhiana-141014.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Chairman,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Patiala.

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjab Pollution Control Board
Regional Office-III, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Chairman,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.2063 of 2021

Present:

- (i) Appellant- absent.
- (ii) Shri Rajpal Singh Gill, Assistant Environmental Engineer O/o Punjab Pollution Control Board, Regional Office-3, Ludhiana, APIO, on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER:

(Heard in Person/on Mobile Phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing before the Bench nor he is available to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. An e.mail dated 1.12.2021 has been received from him stating that information supplied is incomplete.
3. Shri Rajpal Singh Gill, Assistant Environmental Engineer O/o Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala, APIO, comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO/respondent. He states that the RTI application dated 18.01.2021 was received by Regional Office, PPCB, Ludhiana on 03.02.2021 and the information has been sent to the appellant by registered post vide letters dated 08.02.2021, 07.04.2021 and

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29.04.2021. He further states that he appellant has not attended the hearing twice before Senior Environmental Engineer, the First Appellate Authority in spite of repeated reminders to him, after he had filed the first appeal. He further states that no deficiencies have been pointed out by the appellant so far and further states that the information as available in the official records has been supplied to the appellant.

4. Since the appellant is absent for today's hearing, he is contacted on mobile phone. He is made to talk to Shri Rajpal Singh Gill, representative of the PIO and the appellant expresses his dissatisfaction on the information supplied to him and wants to inspect the related records.

5. The Bench, on perusal of the case file, is convinced that adequate information has been supplied to the appellant. As such, the Bench directs the PIO, Regional Office-3, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Ludhiana to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper, within thirty days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.2063 of 2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, **the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
01.12.2021**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Sushil Kumar,
#1410, Phase-1, Urban Estate,
Dugri Road, Ludhiana-141013.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Dy. Secretary, RTI Cell,
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.
(PSPCL), Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
Chief Engineer, Central Zone,
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.,
(PSPCL), Ludhiana.

...Respondents

AC No.2335 of 2021

Present:

- (i) Appellant- absent.**
- (ii) Shri Pal Singh, Senior Assistant, Technical-3 Branch, PSPCL, Patiala on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**
- (iii) Shri Nazam Singh, Steno and Shri Surinder Kumar, Revenue Accountant, Janta Nagar Division(Special), PSPCL, Ludhiana on behalf of PIO/Respondent.**

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.

2. The case has been heard today. Shri Sushil Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He has sent an e.mail dated 01.12.2021 stating therein that he has not been provided correct information by the PIOs concerned and has also stated not to close the appeal case without his consent. The appellant was also absent for the previous hearing and all attempts of the Bench to contact him on mobile had also failed as he did not respond to repeated calls.

3. Shri Pal Singh, Senior Assistant, Technical-3 Branch, PSPCL, Patiala comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been given point-wise reply vide letter dated 24.03.2021. Shri Nazam Singh, Steno, and Shri Surinder Kumar, Revenue Accountant, Janta Nagar Division, PSPCL, Ludhiana also come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that regarding the information on Point No.1, the record is not available and as such, a committee was constituted to trace out the relevant record and as per report of the Committee, the record could not be traced out. He further states that on point No.2, the appellant has been supplied copy of the relevant circular vide letter dated 23.08.2021 by registered post.

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AC No.2335/2021

4. The Bench observes that neither the appellant Shri Sushil Kumar has come present in person before the Bench nor he is available on Cisco Webex to attend the hearing. As such, attempt are made to contact him on mobile phone to ascertain his version. In spite of a number of attempts made to contact him, no response is received from him. It implies that the appellant is adopting indifferent attitude with regard to the compliance of directions of the Bench to attend the hearing, which is not appreciated at all. The Bench also takes serious note of the assertion of the appellant made in his e.mail dated 01.12.2021 not to close the case without his consent which is uncalled for.

5. The Bench, in view of the statements made by the representatives of the concerned PIOs, now directs the PIO O/o Deputy Chief Engineer/Technical (Technical-3) PSPCL, Patiala and the PIO-cum-Addl. Superintending Engineer, Janta Nagar Division, Special, PSPCL, Ludhiana to again send the information to the appellant by registered post as well as by e.mail and file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper within thirty days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.2335 of 2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, **the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
01.12.2021**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Copy to (by Regd. Post)

- 1) PIO O/o Deputy Chief Engineer/Technical,
(Technical-3) PSPCL, Patiala
- 2) PIO-cum-Addl. Superintending Engineer,
Janta Nagar Division, Special, PSPCL, Ludhiana

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Shri Rajwinder Singh
S/o Shri Kuldeep Singh
R/o 26, Nagar Nigam Colony,
O/s Gilwali Gate, Amritsar.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Chairman-cum-Managing Director,
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.,
Patiala.

Remanded Back

First Appellate Authority

Chief Engineer, Border Zone,
Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.
(PSPCL), Amritsar.

...Respondent

CC No.613/2021

Present:

- (i) **Complainant -absent.**
- (ii) **Shr Amarinderpal Singh, Assistant Executive Engineer, Industrial Commercial Division, PSPCL, Amritsar on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER:

(Heard in person/on mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Shri Rajwinder Singh, complainant has neither come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through Cisco Webex.
3. Shri Amarinderpal Singh, Assistant Executive Engineer, Industrial Commercial Division, PSPCL, Amritsar come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the RTI application dated 27.03.2021 of the appellant was transferred by PSPCL Head Office, Patiala to Chief Engineer, Border Zone, PSPCL, Amritsar on 01.04.2021 through whom it was received by their office and that the complainant has been supplied information vide Dy. Chief Engineer/Operation, Urban Circle, PSPCL, Amritsar's letter dated 15.06.2021 by registered post. He further states that the complainant had sought similar information from PIO-cum-S.E. PSPCL, Amritsar by filing second RTI application.
4. On perusal of the case file, the Bench observes that a letter dated 31.08.2021 has been received from the appellant stating therein that he has not been supplied information even after lapse of five months and as such, he does not need the information now. The Bench, however, observes that it does not

speaking well of the functioning of PSPCL and the complainant must be heard and his RTI application addressed.

5. The Bench further observes that the complainant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant. The attention of the Complainant is drawn to the decision of the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10787-10788 of 2011 (arising out of SLP (C) No.32768-32769/2010- Chief Information Commissioner and another Versus State of Manipur and another in para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint case under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information which is as under:-

“31. We uphold the said contention and do not find any error in the impugned judgment of the Hon'ble High Court whereby it has been held that the Commissioner while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the said Act has no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for access to the information.”

As such, since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

6. Since there is an alternative and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available to the Complainant under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 which has not been availed in the instant complaint case and the First Appellate Authority has not had the occasion to review the decision of PIO, as envisaged under the RTI Act by passing a detailed well reasoned speaking order. In case the complainant has any grouse about the provided information, he is advised to challenge the response of the PIO before the designated First Appellate Authority, as envisaged under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, who will decide time limit in accordance with the provisions of RTI Act within the prescribed time limit, after giving an opportunity of hearing to all concerned. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

7. The instant matter is remanded back to the First Appellate Authority i.e. **Shri Sakattar Singh Dhillon, Chief Engineer, Border Zone, PSPCL, Amritsar**. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter.



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8. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal before Punjab State Information Commission Section 19(3) of the RTI Act, 2005.

9. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
01.12.2021**

**Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Copy to (By Regd. Post):

**First Appellate Authority,
Shri Sakattar Singh Dhillon,
Chief Engineer, Border Zone,
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.
(PSPCL), Amritsar.**

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Shri Runish Dhiman, Advocate,
437, Sector-3A,
Mandi Gobindgarh,
Tehsil Amloh,
District Fatehgarh Sahib.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Mandi Gobindgarh,
District Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
Chairman, Punjab Pollution
Control Board, Nabha Road, Patiala,
District Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.2757 of 2021

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Rubal Goyal, Assistant Environmental Engineer, PPCB, Mandi Gobindgarh District Fatehgarh Sahib/APIO on behalf of the PIO/respondent.**

ORDER:

(Heard in Person/on Mobile Phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Shri Runish Dhiman, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
3. Shri Rubal Goyal, Assistant Environmental Engineer, PPCB, Mandi Gobindgarh, District Fatehgarh Sahib/APIO comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO/respondent. He reiterates his version made during the previous hearing to the effect that the necessary information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 12.01.2021. He further states that the appellant has been supplied information as is available in the official records and that the issues raised by the appellant are also available on their official website.
4. Since the Appellant Shri Runish Dhiman is absent for today's hearing, he is contacted on mobile phone to ascertain the position regarding receipt of information. On the asking of the Bench, he confirms the receipt of information and also gives his consent to close the case.

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5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
01.12.2021**

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Shri Makhan Singh
S/o Shri Harjit Singh,
R/o Dhani Kharas Wali,
Village Koriyan Wali,
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Sr. Superintendent of Police,
Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Dy. Inspector General of Police,
Ferozepur Range, Ferozepur Cantt.

....Respondents

AC No.3080 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Vidul Kapoor, Advocate along with Shri Makhan Singh, Appellant, in person.
(ii) Shri Satpal Chand, ASI, I/c RTI Cell, O/o SSP Fazilka, on behalf of the PIO/ Respondent, in person.

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 25.10.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Shri Makhan Singh, appellant along with his Advocate Shri Vidul Kapoor comes present to attend the hearing in person. Shri Vidul Kapoor, Advocates states that the appellant has received the information from the PIO, but he contends that the investigation into Complaint No.4119PC dated 14.08.2017 has been supplied and the appellant has not been supplied investigation report in connection with his Complaint No.696-Local dated 03.08.2017.
3. ASI Satpal Chand, I/c RTI Cell O/o SSP Fazilka comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He refers to letter dated 22.11.2021 sent to the Hon'ble Bench wherein it has been stated that after Complaint No.696-Local dated 03.08.20217, various other complaints had been filed by the appellant with different Police Authorities. The representative of the PIO states that Complaint No.696-Local dated 03.08.2017 was tagged along Complaint No.4119-14.08.2017 and investigation has been conducted by SHO, P.S. Sadar, Fazilka who has recommended for filing of the complaints. He further states that similarly,

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complaints No.1565-CP Special dated 17.10.2017, Complaint No.619-CPF Special dated 31.08.2017 were submitted by the complainant which have also been got investigated and filed.

4. The Bench, on perusal of the case file and hearing the version of the appellant and the representative of the PIO, observes that adequate information along with related documents has been supplied to the appellant. The perusal of letter dated 22.11.2021 shows that a report with regard to the investigation into complaint No.4119-PC dated 14.08.2017 and complaint No.696-Local dated 03.08.2017 has been submitted by the concerned Police authorities which has been provided to the appellant and the contention raised by the Advocate Shri Vidul Kapoor on behalf of the appellant does not carry weight and is not accepted.

5. Post deliberations, the PIO is now directed to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, within thirty days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information as sought in AC No.3080/2021 with regard to action taken on Complaint No.4119-PC dated 14.08.2017 and Complaint No.696/Local submitted by the appellant which were tagged along, has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, **the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
01.12.2021**

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