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Sh. Gulshan Kumar,
1525/1, Street No. 33,
Preet Nagar, Shimlapuri
District Ludhiana 9888482109

....Appellant

Vs

Registered

Public Information Officer –cum-
Distt Revenue Officer,
o/o Deputy Commissioner
District Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
o/o Deputy Commissioner
District Ludhiana

Sh. Arun Sagggar,
Administrator,
SA Jain School,
Daresi, District Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer
o/o the District Education Officer(S)
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2713 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Gulshan Kumar, appellant.
Sh. Arun Sagggar, Administrator, SA Jain School, District Ludhiana 98726 18129 on
behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.12.2020.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the school is paying the annual lease rent @ Rs.50,000/- and not Rs.400/- as is being alleged by the appellant. The representative of the respondents also states that the lease of the school land has been extended upto year 2037 and around 800 students are studying in the school. The representative of the respondents also placed on record a copy of letter vide which the lease has been extended, which is taken on record. However, the appellant insisted for the information from the district administration concerning the copy of lease etc. as has been sought by him. He has also made the submissions received through email, which are taken on record.

3. Since, the appellant has sought the information from the Public Information Officer-cum-District Revenue Officer, District Ludhiana so he is directed to file his reply in this regard before the next date of hearing to adjudge that the information sought has to be provided in the public interest or not? As far as the school authorities are concerned, they are exempted from further appearance in this case.

4. To come up on 23.2.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

Sd/

Dated: 2.2.2021

(Suresh Arora)

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Sh. Jasveer Singh 9781599959

r/o Village Megha Panj Garai Hithar,

Block and Tehsil Guru Harshai,

Distt.Ferozepur.

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Block Guru Harsahai, Distt. Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

District Development and Panchayat Officer,

Mini Secretariat,

Distt.Ferozepur.

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1111 of 2020

(Video conference/Cisco webex/phone proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Jasveer Singh, appellant.

Sh. Chanda Singh, Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.11.2020 vide which the case was adjourned to 11.12.2020 but due to administrative reasons the case was further adjourned for today i.e. 2.2.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that he has brought the complete original record pertaining to the RTI application of the appellant.

3. The appellant inspected the original record and got the copies of documents after identification. After getting the sought information, the appellant further requested for the compensation due to delay in providing the information as his RTI application was filed on 9.12.2019.

4. The perusal of the file shows that in this case, application for information was filed on 9.12.2019 but after lapse of more than one year the complete information has been given to the appellant. It is, thus apparent from the response of the respondent-PIO that there has been delay in providing the information. Appellant had also suffered financial loss in getting the information. There are systemic deficiencies in the manner of receiving and disposing of applications. The department still does not appear to be properly tuned to the performance of its obligations enshrined under the RTI Act.

5. I am, therefore, of the view that ends of justice would be met by awarding a sum of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees Five thousands only) by way of compensation to the Appellant. This amount shall be payable from the State Exchequer by the office of the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Guru Harsahai, Ferozepur before the next date of hearing.

6. To come up on 15.3.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ferozepur/cisco webex.

Sd/

Dated: 2.2.2021

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Sh. Surinder Kumar 9465313956



r/o VPO Bareka,
Tehsil & District Fazilka.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, Registered
o/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram panchayat, Bareka,
c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Block Khuhian Server,
District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer,
District Administrative Complex,
Fazilka

Sh. Gian Singh, VDO
Public Information Officer
c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer
Khuhian Server,
Fazilka

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1896 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Shri Surinder Kumar, appellant.
Shri Gian Singh VDO, M 9914400517, in person, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.12.2020

2. The appellant states that he has received the information pertaining to point number 1 and 4 of the RTI application. However, it was inadvertently mentioned in the previous order as Point No. 3 & 4 of the RTI application. Regarding the remaining information the appellant states that nothing has been supplied by the respondents. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer states that he will file the reply/supply the information of the remaining points to the appellant before the next date of hearing and requested for the adjournment of the case.

3. Accordingly, the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to supply the remaining information before the next date of hearing to the appellant under intimation to the Commission.

4. To come up on 15.3.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka/cisco webex.

Dated: 2.2.2021

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Shri Kulwant Singh M 9878973610

VPO Pohir,

Tehsil and District Ludhiana

Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Delhon, District Ludhiana.

Respondent

Complaint Case No. 455 of 2020

(Cisco Webex/phone Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Kulwant Singh, complainant
Sh. Narinderjit Singh, PS 8872300876, and Sh. Harmail Singh, P.O. on behalf
of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 29.10.2020 vide which the case was adjourned to 11.12.2020 but due to administrative reasons the case was further adjourned for today i.e. 2.2.2021.

2. The appellant states that he has received the complete information except point number 13. However the representative of the respondent states that the information pertaining to point number 13 has to be supplied by the Block Development and Panchayats Officer.

3. Accordingly the Block Development and Panchayat Officer-cum-Public Information Officer is directed to file the reply regarding point number 13 of the RTI application/supply the information to the appellant before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission.

4. To come up on 23.2.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

Sd/

(Suresh Arora)

Dated: 2.2.2021

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Sh. Kamaljit Singh 9417169655

Ro Village Bora, Block Khera,

Tehsil & Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib

..Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o Panchayat Secretary,. Gram Panchayat, Bora,

Block Khera,

Tehsil & Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 703 of 2020

(Video Conference Proceedings)

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 7.8.2020 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 23.9.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 11.12.2020 but due to administrative reasons the case was adjourned for today i.e. 2.2.2021.

2. Since both the parties are not available therefore the case is adjourned.

3. To come up on 23.2.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fatehgarh Sahib/cisco webex.

Sd/

(Suresh Arora)

Dated: 2.2.2021

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Sh. Baldev Singh 9872124103

Village Sathiali, PO Nainakot,

Gurdaspur

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,

Block Khanuwan,

Gurdaspur

First Appellate Authority

o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer

Block Khanuwan,

Gurdaspur

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2850 of 2020

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Baldev Singh, appellant.

Sh. Rajesh 8080000064 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 20.8.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 18.10.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.9.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the record related to the RTI application of the appellant is not in his custody as the same is in the custody of the S.D.O. PWD, Gurdaspur so it is not possible for him to supply the information. However, the appellant states that an enquiry was conducted by the S.D.O. PWD, Gurdaspur due to embezzlement in the panchayat funds and after concluding the enquiry, the enquiry officer submitted the report to the Deputy Commissioner. He further states that the enquiry was again sent by the Deputy Commissioner, to the Director, Rural Development & Panchayat, Pb., and after taking the decision by the Director, Rural Development & Panchayat, Pb., the report has been sent to the Block Development and Panchayats Officer for initiating further proceedings against the Sarpanch concerned. The appellant further states that the Block Development and Panchayats Officer is neither providing the sought information nor the the action is being taken against the Sarpanch concerned.

3. Accordingly, the Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer is directed to file the reply/supply the information to the appellant as has been sought by the appellant before the next date of hearing failing which the punitive action will be initiated against him.

4. To come up on 15.3.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur/cisco webex.

Sd/

Dated: 2.2.2021

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.