

Raj Kumar
S/o Sh. Amarnath,
144, Sun City,
Amloh Road, Khanna (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Divisional Forest officer,
Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Conservator of Forests, Punjab,
South Circle, Opp. Central Jail,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2373 of 2020

Present : Sh. Raj Kumar , the appellant in person.
Sh. Sukhpal Singh, Forest Range Officer, Samrala, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 12.06.2020. First appeal is dated 21.07.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 31.08.2020.

The appellant, Sh. Raj Kumar , who appeared in person in today's hearing, could not make himself audible to intimate the status of the instant appeal-case during the proceedings of the case.

Sh. Sukhpal Singh, Forest Range Officer, Samrala, who appeared in today's hearing, states that the required information is ready so that the same could be handed over to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission.

As the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings', the respondent PIO concerned is directed to send the certified copies of the required information to the appellant at his residential address through registered post with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. He is also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The case is adjourned to 9th May, 2022 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 2nd February, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Sukhwinder Singh
S/o Sh. Banta Singh,
Village – Dhupsari,
P.O. - Govt. Polytechnic College,
Tehsil – Batala, Distt. - Gurdaspur(Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Divisional Forest Officer,
Gurdaspur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 506 of 2020

Present : Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, the complainant in person.
Sh. Jagminder Singh, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

In the instant complaint-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant complaint-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 15.01.2020. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 04.08.2020.

Sh. Jagminder Singh, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the complainant.

The complainant, Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 03.02.2022 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office on 03.02.2022 so that information could be identified by him. He is also directed to supply the required information to the appellant (which would be identified by him after inspection) with a copy to the Commission

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection, or not 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 by the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 9th May, 2022 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Punjab

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Sahbaj Khan
S/o Sh. Sahzad Jhan,
H. No. 224, Street No. 09,
Village – Mohali, Phase -1,
Mohali (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Assistant Labour Commissioner,
District Administrative Complex
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Sector 76, 4th Floor, Room No. 507,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Labour Commissioner,
Phase – 10, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2253 of 2020

Present : Sh. Sahbaj Khan, the appellant in person.
Sh. Chanchaldeep, Labour Enforcement Officer office of Assistant Labour Commissioner, in person.

ORDER

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

In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 23.05.2020. First appeal is dated 22.06.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.08.2020.

Sh. Chanchaldeep, Labour Enforcement Officer office of Assistant Labour Commissioner, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that a proper reply has already been given to the appellant. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission.

The appellant, Sh. Sahbaj Khan, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no reply has been received by him from the respondent PIO till date.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to send the above-said reply again to the appellant at his residential address through registered post with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the reply or not.

The case is adjourned to 9th May, 2022 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Madan Lal S/o Sh. Fakir Chand,
New Chandan Nagar,
Kapurthala Road, Kartarpur – 144801,
(Jalandhar)(Punjab)

....Complainant

V/s

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Managing Director,
Punjab State Seeds Corporation Limited,
'Kheti Bhawan' 4th Floor, Phase – 6,
S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali)(Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 525 of 2020

Present : Sh. Madan Lal, the complainant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
In the instant complaint-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant complaint-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 22.01.2019. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 11.08.2020.

The complainant, Sh. Madan Lal, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO has sent a point-wise reply vide letter no. 2052 dated 01.02.2022 signed by Public Information Officer office of Punjab State Seeds Corporation Limited, S. A. S. Nagar, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1940 dated 02.02.2022. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

After going through the reply, sent by the respondent it emerges that the above-said reply has been sent to the Commission but not sent to the complainant, accordingly, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send the above-said reply to the appellant at his residential address through registered post with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the above-mentioned reply or not.

The case is adjourned to 10th May, 2022 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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P. S. :

Sh. Vinod Kumar, Senior Assistant, appeared for the respondent, after the hearing of the instant appeal-case was over. He was read out the above order.

The case stands adjourned to 10th May, 2022 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.



Madan Lal S/o Sh. Ramji Dass,
R/o House No 51, Ward No 4 B,
Near Gaushala Gate, MK Road,
Dhuri, Distt Sangrur -148024 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s.

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police,
Sangrur(Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Station House Officer,
Thana City- Dhuri,
Distt. - Sangrur(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Inspector General of Police,
Zone Patiala,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1361 of 2021

Present : Sh. Munish Jindal on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Kuldeep Singh, A. S. I. (Incharge, RTI Cell), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 06.10.2020. First appeal is dated 22.11.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.03.2021.

Sh. Munish Jindal, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Madan Lal, in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to the appellant .

Sh. Kuldeep Singh, A. S. I. (Incharge, RTI Cell), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that a reply has been forwarded to the S. H. O., Thana – Shambhu for remaining information vide letter no. 140 dated 27.01.2022. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 141 dated 27.01.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1934 dated 28.01.2022. It is taken on record.

After going through the reply, sent by the respondent it emerges that the above-said reply has been sent to the Commission but not sent to the appellant, accordingly, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send the above-said reply to the appellant through registered post with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the above-mentioned reply or not.

The case is adjourned to 10th May, 2022 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

(Sanjiv Garg)

State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date : 2nd February, 2022

Jagdish Singh
H. No. 5, Bagh Ramanand,
Amritsar (Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

(Regd. Post) 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

...Respondents

Encl : RTI request &
order dated 15.11.2021

Complaint Case No. 1144 of 2021

Present : Sh. Jagdish Singh, the complainant in person.
Sh. Prem Sharma, P. A. to C.E.O., Smart City, Amritsar, for the respondent..

ORDER

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

In the instant complaint-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant complaint-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 26.04.2021. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 10.09.2021.

Sh. Prem Sharma, P. A. to C.E.O., Smart City, Amritsar, who appeared on behalf of the respondent in today's hearing, states that the information demanded through RTI request relates with office of Principal Secretary to Government. of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Chandigarh. Moreover, a reply vide letter no 173 dated 20.07.2020 was also sent to the appellant, which is placed in the case-file.

The complainant, Sh. Jagdish Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that information demanded by him relates with office of Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Chandigarh and no information has been given to him by that office despite the fact that directions were issued to that office to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request with a copy to the Commission.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 15.11.2021. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Chandigarh, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings', it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order alongwith order dated 15.11.2021 be sent to him through registered post.

The respondent PIO concerned of office of Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Chandigarh is directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request, through registered post with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

As the required information, demanded through RTI request, relates with office of Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Chandigarh , hence, the Chief Executive officer office of Amritsar Smart City Limited, Amritsar is exempted from personal appearance in further hearings of this case and a copy of this order be sent to him for intimation.

The case is adjourned to 10th May, 2022 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 2nd February, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Encl : RTI request & order dated 15.11.2021

(Regd. Post)

The Chief Executive officer,
O/o Amritsar Smart City Limited,
District Shopping Complex, B – Block,
Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar - 143001(Punjab)

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Jaswant Sarpal S/o Sh. Darbari Lal Sarpal,
H. No. 2220/2, Arian Street,
Inside Mohan Singh Gate,
Amritsar(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
Deptt. of Local Government,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,
Deptt. of Local Government,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3472 of 2021

Present : Sh. Jaswant Sarpal, the appellant in person.
Sh. Mandeep Kamboj, Senior Assistant-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 16.04.2021. First appeal is dated 11.06.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 02.08.2021.

Sh. Mandeep Kamboj, Senior Assistant-cum-APIO, who appeared for the respondent in today's hearing, states that complete information has been given to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Jaswant Sarpal, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO as he has not received information at point no. 02 and 03 of his RTI request till date.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied and copy of remaining information at point no. 02 and 03 of his RTI request) with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 25th May, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 2nd February, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta
R/o # 8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur, Distt.- Ludhiana-141101(Punjab)
V/s

...Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 450 of 2020

Present : Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 20.01.2020. First appeal is dated 24.01.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 28.01.2020.

The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 264 dated 01.02.2022 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing due to election duty and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Accordingly, last opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant, as per queries raised by him through RTI request. If any information, to any query/queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, is not available or not maintained in the official record, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will send/file a reply, in writing, to the particular query/queries, mentioning the reasons whether relevant official record is missing or not traceable in the official record and send the same in advance to the appellant through registered post or e-mail with a copy to the Commission to establish the fact that above-announced order of the Commission has been complied with.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information/reply or not.

The case is adjourned to 11th May, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 2nd February, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta
R/o # 8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur, Distt.- Ludhiana-141101(Punjab)
V/s

...Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 177 of 2020

Present : Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 22.01.2020. First appeal is dated 24.01.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 28.01.2020.

The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 264 dated 01.02.2022 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing due to election duty and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Accordingly, last opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant, as per queries raised by him through RTI request.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not.

The case is adjourned to 11th May, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta
R/o # 8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur, Distt.- Ludhiana-141101(Punjab)
V/s

...Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2595 of 2019

Present : Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 06.07.2019. First appeal is dated 11.07.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.07.2019.

The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 264 dated 01.02.2022 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing due to election duty and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Accordingly, last opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant, as per queries raised by him through RTI request.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information/reply or not.

The case is adjourned to 11th May, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Rajinder Kumar
S/o Sh. Mehar Chand,
Ward – 02, Supreme Enclave,
Near Vishavkarma Bhawan,
Link Road, Mansa - 151505(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2144 of 2021

Present : Sh. Rajinder Kumar, the appellant in person.
Sh. Jasvir Singh, Superintendent, LG – III Branch , on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in

the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 30.01.2021. First appeal is dated 09.03.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 04.05.2021.

Sh. Jasvir Singh, Superintendent, LG – III Branch, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that a reply as status report has already been sent to the appellant vide letter no. 2262 dated 10.11.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has already been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 2263 dated 10.11.2021, which is placed in the case-file.

The appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, expresses his dissatisfaction over the reply given by the appellant.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send a proper reply to the queries raised by him through RTI request to the appellant, mentioning that whatever information is given in the instant appeal-case is as per official-record, and send a copy of the same to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 10th May, 2022 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 2nd February, 2022

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Mohit Guru S/o Sh. Dilip Kumar,
H. No. B-2 698/6-E,
Chhawani Mohalla, Ludhiana (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3574 of 2021

Present : Sh. Mohit Guru, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
In the instant appeal-case, the hearing was fixed for today (i. e. 02.02.2022) in

the Court Room of office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh but to curtail public dealings in the offices to prevent the spread of 'Covid/Omicron', the instant appeal-case is heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 23.04.2021. First appeal is dated 04.06.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 06.08.2021.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

The appellant, Sh. Mohit Guru, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he could not visit the office of the respondent on 23.11.2021 (which was fixed vide orders dated 16.11.2021), to inspect the official record due to some unavoidable circumstances and requests for an other date for inspection.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 24.03.2022 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office on 24.03.2022 so that information could be identified by him. He is also directed to supply the required information to the appellant (which would be identified by him after inspection) with a copy to the Commission

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection, or not 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 by the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 9th May, 2022 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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