Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Sh. Surjit Singh, (M: 98559-00321)

S/o Sh. Gokul Singh, VPO Jarg, Tehsil Payal, District Ludhiana.

...Appellant

(Regd. Post)

**Public Information Officer**, **O/o** The DPI (EE), Punjab, SAS Nagar (Mohali)

**Encl. RTI Application** 

First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Secretary, Education Department, (Schools). Punjab, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5514 of 2021

V/s.

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Surjit Singh is present.

Sh. Kapil Kumar, Senior Assistant from the Department is present.

**ORDER:** 

The date of RTI Application is 10.09.2021, the date of First Appeal is 12.10.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 06.12.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Surjit Singh states that the no information has been supplied to him till date and further requests for information relating to point number 1, 2 and 3 of his RTI application.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Kapil Kumar states that it was a transfer case and further clarifies about the reply and also mentions about an email dated 03.03.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On further discussion with both the parties, the concerned PIO is directed to clarify in length term in written reply signed by the PIO and he is also directed to provide the concerned orders passed by the department to the Appellant. Further PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

A copy of this order along with a copy of RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO through registered post.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Surjit Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 29.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 29.08.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings.

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Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 02.05.2022

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S/o Sh. Gokul Singh, VPO Jarg, Tehsil Payal, District Ludhiana.

V/s.

...Complainant

**Public Information Officer**,

**O/o** The DEO (EE), Fatehgarh Sahib.

... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 1311 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Complainant, Sh. Surjit Singh is present.

Sh. Tejbir Singh, Senior Assistant from the Department is present.

ORDER:

Dated: 02.05.2022

The date of RTI Application is 17.08.2021 and the date of Complainant filed in the Commission is 06.12.2021.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Surjit Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Tejbir Singh states that the information has been supplied to the Complainant, Sh. Surjit Singh and further mentions about a letter number 109-10 dated 29.04.2022, which is taken on record.

After going through the case file, the concerned PIO is directed to clarify the facts of this case and supply the requisite information to the Complainant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Complainant till date.

The PIO is also advised to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Complainant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Complainant, Sh. Surjit Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 29.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 29.08.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings.

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Sandeep Kumar Gupta, (M: 9992931181)

House No. 1722, Sector 14,

Hisar (125001)

V/s.

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o The Superintendent,

Department of Local Bodies, Punjab, Sector 35-A,

Plot no. 03, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority.

O/o The Department of Local Bodies, Punjab, Sector 35-A.

Plot no. 03, Chandigarh.

Dated: 02.05.2022

... Respondents

...Appellant

Appeal Case No. 5218 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

The Appellant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar Gupta is absent. Present :

Sh. Rajiv Kumar, Building Inspector from the Department is present.

**ORDER:** 

The date of RTI Application is 02.03.2021, the date of First Appeal is 18.05.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 18.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar is absent.

On the other hand, the Building Inspector, Sh. Rajiv Kumar states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant vide letter dated 22.03.2022 and the copy of information has also been sent to the Commission vide email dated 22.03.2022 which is taken on record.

In view of above an opportunity is given to the Appellant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar and the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

The Appellant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar is directed to appear on the next date of hearing through Cisco Webex Meetings, positively.

# A copy of this order be sent to the Appellant concerned through registered post.

The concerned PIO or other concerned official is directed to appear on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.

This case is adjourned to 29.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 29.08.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Joining Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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(Sanjiv Garg) **State Information Commissioner** 

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(Regd. Post) Dr. Sandeep Kumar Gupta, (M: 9992931181)

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Hisar (125001) ...Complainant

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Superintendent, (Municipal Service Cell) Department of Local Bodies, Punjab, Sector 35-A,

Plot no. 03, Chandigarh. ... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 1287 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Complainant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar Gupta is absent.

Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Head Draftsmen from office of MC, Ludhiana is present.

ORDER:

The date of RTI Application is 07.08.2021 and the date of Complaint filed in the Commission is 18.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar is absent.

On the other hand, Head Draftsmen, Sh. Gurpreet Singh is present but his voice was not audible during the hearing of this present case.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that a reply dated 21.02.2022 from the department has been received in the Commission which shows that the same has been sent to the Complainant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar as well. An email dated 25.04.2022 and a letter dated 22.04.2022 has also be received in the Commission from the concerned department, which is taken on record.

In view of above an opportunity is given to the Complainant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar and the Complainant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

A copy of this order be sent to the Complainant as well as to the department concerned through registered post.

The concerned PIO or other concerned official is directed to appear on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.

This case is adjourned to 29.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 29.08.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings.

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V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Superintendent,

Department of Local Bodies, Punjab, Sector 35-A,

Plot no. 03, Chandigarh. ... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 1289 of 2021

**Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software** 

**Present**: The Complainant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar Gupta is absent.

Sh. Balwinder Pal, Senior Assistant –cum- APIO LG-4 Branch;

Sh. Harpal Singh, Senior Assistant from Trust Service Cell is present from the Department.

ORDER:

The date of RTI Application is 07.08.2021 and the date of Complaint filed in the Commission is 18.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar is absent.

On the other hand, Senior Assistant, Sh. Balwinder Pal states that the information is voluminous in nature and the complaint should be more specific about the same as it pertains to various cells of their department. Also, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Harpal Singh states that the Complainant should specify the cadre of whom he requires the information.

In view of above, the PIO of LG-4 Branch is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission (after collecting the same from the concerned department) relating to this case on the next date and if both the PIO's i.e. LG-4 Branch and Trust Service Cell Branch would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against him on the next date of hearing.

The Complainant, Sh. Sandeep Kumar is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear personally in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

A copy of this order also be sent to the PIO of LG-4 Branch and PIO of Trust Service Cell Branch through registered post for complying the above said order.

This case is adjourned to 10.08.2022 at 11.00 am and both the parties are directed to appear on the next date of hearing i.e. 10.08.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

CC to:

Dated: 02.05.2022

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Superintendent, (LG 4 Branch)
Department of Local Bodies, Punjab, Sector 35-A,

Plot no. 03, Chandigarh.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Superintendent, (<u>Trust Service Cell</u>)
Department of Local Bodies, Punjab, Sector 35-A,

Plot no. 03, Chandigarh.

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Babar Singh, (M: 98553-01814)

S/o Sh. Surjit Singh,

R/o Ladbajara Kalan, Tehsil Dirba, District Sangrur (148030)

//s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The XEN,

Mining Department, DC office,

Sangrur.

... Respondents

...Complainant

Complaint Case No. 1291 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Complainant, Sh. Babar Singh is absent.

Sh. Gagandeep Singh, Executive Engineer is present from the Department.

**ORDER:** 

The date of RTI Application is 09.07.2021 and the date of Complaint filed in the Commission is 18.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Babar Singh is absent. A letter from the Complainant, Sh. Babar Singh which has been received vide diary number 28816 dated 23.12.2021 has been seen and is taken on record.

On the other hand, the Executive Engineer, Sh. Gagandeep Singh states that the information has already been sent to the Complainant, Sh. Babar Singh. On which he is further directed to send the copy of the same to the Commission vide email within an hour and so. Later, an email dated 02.05.2022 has been received in the Commission from the department and is taken on record.

In view of above an opportunity is given to the Complainant, Sh. Babar Singh and the Complainant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

A copy of this order be sent to the Complainant as well as to the department concerned through registered post.

The concerned PIO or other concerned official is directed to appear on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.

This case is adjourned to 30.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.08.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Joining Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Yogesh Mahajan, (M: 98143-54649)

S/o Sh. Kuldip Raj Mahajan,

Opposite Water Tank, Municipal Road,

Pathankot. V/s.

(Regd. Post ) Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Engineer,

Water Supply and Sanitation, Division No. I,

Batala, District Gurdaspur.

(Regd. Post ) First Appellate Authority,

O/o The SE,

Water Supply and Sanitation Circle, Gurdaspur.

... Respondents

...Appellant

Appeal Case No. 5336 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan is present.

None is present from the department.

**ORDER:** 

Dated: 02.05.2022

The date of RTI Application is 01.09.2021, the date of First Appeal is 05.10.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 26.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan states there is some mix-up while the information was supplied to him by the department concerned and further requests for information relating to Division No. 01 of the concerned department.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

After going through the case it has been observed that a letter dated 03.03.2022 has been received in the Commission signed by Er. Sukhdeep Singh Dhaliwal from W/S & Sanitation, Division No. 01, Batala vide which the enclosure/information of office of W/S & Sanitation Division No. 02 is attached with it, which is taken on record.

After going through the case file, the concerned PIO is directed to clarify the facts of this case and further directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 30.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.08.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings.

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R/o Ward No.02, Supreme Enclave, Near Vishvkarma Bhawan,

Link Road, Mansa (151505) Punjab. M: 96463-80671

Sh. Rajinder Kumar, S/o Sh. Mehar Chand,

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Principal Secretary, Local Bodies Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Principal Secretary, Local Bodies Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5303 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is present.

Sh. Jasbir Singh, PIO –cum- Superintendent of LG-3 Branch is present from the department.

**ORDER:** 

Dated: 02.05.2022

(Regd. Post)

The date of RTI Application is 09.09.2021, the date of First Appeal is 09.10.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 25.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar states that information relating to his RTI application has not been received by him.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Jasbir Singh states that in this regard they have sent a letter dated 17.09.2021 to the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar in which they have mentioned that they have asked for the report from the ADC (UD), Mansa.

After going through the case file, an email dated 04.03.2022 along with letter dated 04.03.2022 has been sent by the department to the bench of undersigned and is taken on record.

In view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission relating to this case on the next date and if the PIO concerned would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against him on the next date of hearing.

The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear personally in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

A copy of this order be sent to both the parties through registered post for complying the above said order.

Also, during the hearing the Appellant requests for a long date of hearing, as he is not well and he needs months' time to recover. The request made by the Appellant during the court is accepted and the next date of hearing has been given to the parties accordingly.

This case is adjourned to 10.08.2022 at 11.00 am and both the parties are directed to appear on the next date of hearing i.e. 10.08.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Sh. Rajinder Kumar, S/o Sh. Mehar Chand,

**R/o** Ward No.02, Supreme Enclave, Near Vishvkarma Bhawan, Link Road, Mansa (151505) Punjab. M: 96463-80671

...Appellant

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o The Director, Local Bodies Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director,

Local Bodies Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5208 of 2021

V/s.

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is present.

Sh. Amit Kumar, Senior Assistant of General Branch is present from the department.

**ORDER:** 

The date of RTI Application is 07.08.2021, the date of First Appeal is 08.09.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 17.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar states that out of 1, 2 and 3 points /subpoints of his RTI, he has received information relating to point number 2 sub part ( $\Theta$ ) only and further requests for information relating to remaining points.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Amit Kumar states that as per point number 1 of the Applicant's RTI he has to deposit amount Rs. 80/- against the information and for the same they have written a letter to the Appellant vide dated 17.08.2021 but the amount has not been deposited by the Appellant till date. In relating to point number 2 of his RTI, we have mentioned that as this information pertains to the office of Municipal Election Cell, so the same has been transferred to the PIO cum Superintendent, Office of Municipal Election Cell under Section 6 (3), of the RTI Act, 2005. In relating to point number 3 of his RTI, the information relating to dated 01.06.2021 is nil in nature and information relating to 26.07.2021 relates with office of Municipal Election Cell, so the same has also been transferred to the PIO cum Superintendent, Office of Municipal Election Cell under Section 6 (3), of the RTI Act, 2005.

In view of above, the concerned department is directed clarify the facts of this case by providing to the undersigned that the amount which was requested to the Appellant against the information was dispatched to the Appellant within the stipulated time period and the concerned department is also directed to send the letter to the Commission vide which the concerned points have been transferred to the PIO cum Superintendent, Office of Municipal Election Cell under Section 6 (3), of the RTI Act, 2005.

Later on, an email dated 02.05.2022 has been received in the Commission which proves that the concerned points have been transferred to PIO cum Superintendent, Office of Municipal Election Cell under Section 6 (3), of the RTI Act, 2005, to which PIO cum Superintendent, Office of Municipal Election Cell, Local Govt. Department, Punjab Chandigarh be impleaded as a necessary party and further a copy of dispatch register is also in the same email, but it doesnot clarifies the date of dispatch. An opportunity is given to the concerned PIO to clarify the date of dispatch of the letter vide which the amount has been requested from the Appellant and also directed to submit the copy of letter to the Commission within in a week.

# Appeal Case No. 5208 of 2021 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

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A copy of this order along with RTI application be sent to the PIO cum Superintendent, Office of Municipal Election Cell, Local Govt. Department, Punjab Chandigarh.

After going through the case file, the concerned PIO is directed to clarify the facts of this case and further directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 30.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.08.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings.

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Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

CC: (Regd. Post) PIO cum Superintendent,

Dated: 02.05.2022

Office of Municipal Election Cell,

Local Govt. Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot Number3,

Chandigarh.

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O/o The Superintendent, Local Bodies Department, Punjab,

Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Principal Secretary,

Local Bodies Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5210 of 2021

**Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software** 

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is present.

None is present from the department.

ORDER:

The date of RTI Application is 26.08.2021, the date of First Appeal is 29.09.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 17.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar states that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as nobody appears from the department relating to present case hearing.

In view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission relating to this case on the next date and if the PIO concerned would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against him on the next date of hearing.

The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear personally in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

A copy of this order be sent to both the parties through registered post for complying the above said order.

Also, during the hearing the Appellant requests for a long date of hearing, as he is not well and he needs months' time to recover. The request made by the Appellant during the court is accepted and the next date of hearing has been given to the parties accordingly.

This case is adjourned to 10.08.2022 at 11.00 am and both the parties are directed to appear on the next date of hearing i.e. 10.08.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh.

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Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

Dated: 02.05.2022

**O/o** The Superintendent, (LG -3 Branch) Local Bodies Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

**Encl. RTI Application.** 

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Rajinder Kumar, S/o Sh. Mehar Chand,

**R/o** Ward No.02, Supreme Enclave, Near Vishvkarma Bhawan, Link Road, Mansa (151505) Punjab. M: 96463-80671

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Public Information Officer, O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Bodies Department, Punjab,

Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh. (Encl. RTI Application)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Principal Secretary,

Local Bodies Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5209 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present :

The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is present.

None is present from the department.

ORDER:

The date of RTI Application is 07.08.2021, the date of First Appeal is 08.09.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 17.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar states that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as nobody appears from the department relating to present case hearing.

In view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission relating to this case on the next date and if the PIO concerned would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against him on the next date of hearing.

The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear personally in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

A copy of this order be sent to both the parties through registered post for complying the above said order.

A reply dated 09.08.2021 from LG -3 Branch which has already been attached in the file by the Appellant while filing the case in the Commission and is taken on record. A copy of the order along with RTI request be sent to LG -3 Branch, so the facts of this case would be clarified by the department accordingly.

Also, during the hearing the Appellant requests for a long date of hearing, as he is not well and he needs months' time to recover. The request made by the Appellant during the court is accepted and the next date of hearing has been given to the parties accordingly.

This case is adjourned to 10.08.2022 at 11.00 am and both the parties are directed to appear on the next date of hearing i.e. 10.08.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh.

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Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 02.05.2022

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Dated: 02.05.2022

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... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5211 of 2021

V/s.

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is present.

Sh. Amit Kumar, Senior Assistant of General Branch is present from the department.

**ORDER:** 

The date of RTI Application is 16.08.2021, the date of First Appeal is 16.09.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 17.11.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Amit Kumar states that the concerned notification is mentioned in their official Digest.

After going through the case file, the concerned PIO is directed to clarify the facts of this case and further directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 30.08.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.08.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings.

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