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Shri Pawan Kumar Sood. H.No.195, Vaid Sham Singh Street. Water Works Road, Mansa.



.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjab Energy Development Agency, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Punjab Energy Development Agency, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No. 509 of 2022

Shri Pawan Kumar Sood, Appellant. Present: (i)

Smt. Navneet Kaur, Manager, and Shri Chatarpal Singh, Asstt. Manager, (ii) PEDA, on behalf of the PIO/respondent, in person.

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex/in person)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 07.10.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 15.11.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. The case has been heard today. Shri Pawan Kumar Sood, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex.
- Smt. Navneet Kaur, Manager, and Shri Chatarpal Singh, Asstt. Manager, PEDA, come present in person to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO/respondent. Smt. Navneet Kaur, Manager states that the information has been supplied to the appellant by post on 08.11.2021 and the same has been sent to the Commission vide letter dated 28.04.2022.
- Due to poor audio on cisco webex, the appellant is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, he states that he has received reply but the same is not consonance with his RTI application and states that as contended by the PIO, the information sought by him does not need

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compilation of information and the information has been denied intentionally and alleges that the PIO is avoiding providing the information. The appellant is also made to talk to the representative of PIO who explains to the appellant the details of information supplied.

- 5. On perusal of the reply to notice sent to the Commission, the Bench observes that vague reply has been given against each point and it is not specific. Since the appellant expresses his dissatisfaction, the Bench directs the PIO to supply information on each point separately as available in the official records.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Ravi Kumar, S/o Shri Ram Murti, Ravi General Store, Near Housing Board Colony, Camp Dhangupeer, Pathankot.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Estate Officer, Amritsar Development Authority, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Administrator, Amritsar Development Authority, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No. 503 of 2022

Present: (i) Shri Naresh Bhatia, on behalf of the Appellant, in person.

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application is dated 15.12.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 29.03.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. The case has been heard today. Shri Naresh Bhatia comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the appellant in person and produces authority letter to appear on behalf of the appellant. He states that the appellant has sought information with regard to about 400 constructions and 10 religious places existing in Housing Board Colony, Pathanakot, in addition to 125 shops, which now come within the jurisdiction of Amritsar Development Authority. He also explains the necessity for requirement of the said information.
- 3. No one has appeared for the hearing on behalf of the respondent. The PIO O/o Amritsar Development Authority, Amritsar is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for

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failing to appear for the hearing and for not supplying information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental

harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

4. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso

thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may

take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of

personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission

shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

5. The PIO is directed to supply requisite information to the appellant before the next hearing

as also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on

02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the

concerned parties.

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Shri Iknoor Singh, S/o Harsunjit Singh, R/o Village Khanpur Thiara, P.O: Meghowal Ganjian, Distt:Hoshiarpur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Hoshiarpur.

....Respondents

AC No. 484 of 2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) Shri Hardeep Kumar, SDO, M.C. Hoshiarpur on behalf of the PIO/respondent, in person.

- 1. The RTI application is dated 28.08.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 25.10.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. The case has been heard today. Shri Iknoor Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex. However, he has informed through a telephonic message that due to death of his grandmother, he may not be able to attend the hearing today and has requested for adjournment to another date.
- 3. Shri Hardeep Kumar, SDO comes present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Hoshiarpur and states that point-wise information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 24.11.2021 by registered post and also produces before the Bench a copy of the information supplied.

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4. The request of the appellant for giving another hearing is acceded to. The appellant is now advised to point out deficiencies in the information supplied to the PIO and the PIO is directed to remove the deficiencies so pointed out by the appellant and supply rectified information to the appellant before the

next hearing as also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Maninder Singh Randhawa, H.No.5157, GF, Sector:38 West, Chandigarh. PSIC Signature of the American Company of the Mormation Company of the American Company of the Company of

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o Guru Gobind Singh Super Thermal Plant, PSPCL, Rupnagar.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Guru Gobind Singh Super Thermal Plant, PSPCL, Rupnagar.

....Respondents

AC No. 466 of 2022

Versus

- Present: (i) Shri G.S.Randhawa on behalf of the Appellant, in person.
 - (ii) None on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

- 1. The RTI application is dated 28.09.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 13.11.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. The case has been heard today. Shri G.S. Randhawa comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the appellant in person and produces authority letter to appear on behalf of the appellant. He states that the appellant has not been supplied information and states that his son had received a message from the respondent that a representative will attend the hearing before the Hon'ble Bench with regard to the information sought by him.
- 3. Neither the PIO O/o Guru Gobind Singh Super Thermal Plant, PSPCL, Rupnagar has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex. The Bench observes that RTI application of the appellant is dated 28.09.2021 and First Appeal is dated 13.11.2021 and in spite of the more than six months, the appellant has not been supplied information. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.

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explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and for not supplying

The PIO O/o Amritsar Development Authority, Amritsar is issued show cause notice to

information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why

the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the

information.

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4. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso

thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may

take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of

personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission

shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

5. The PIO is directed to supply requisite information to the appellant before the next hearing

as also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on

02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the

concerned parties.

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O/o Guru Gobind Singh Super Thermal Plant, PSPCL, Rupnagar.

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Shri Surjeet Singh, S/o Shri Uttam Singh, Villae & PO: Lakhuka, Tehsil & District Fazilka.

.....Appellant

Versus

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

First Appellate Authority O/o Sr.Supdt. of Police, Fazilka.

....Respondents

AC No. 411 of 2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) ASI Surinder Singh, I/c RTI Cell, O/o SSP Fazilka on behalf of the PIO/respondent, in person.

- 1. The RTI application is dated 14.10.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 23.11.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 13.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. The case has been heard today. Shri Surjeet Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex.
- 3. ASI Surinder Singh, RTI Incharge, O/o SSP Fazilka comes present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO and states that the appellant has sought information on points, out of which, he has been supplied information on point No.2 & 4 on 20.04.2021 by registered post and the information on points No.1,3,5,6,7 has been denied under Section 8(1)(j) of RTI Act, being personal and third party information.

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4. Since the appellant is absent for today's hearing, he is contacted on mobile phone. In spite of repeated attempts made to contact him, there has been no response from the appellant. The appellant is advised to point out deficiencies to the PIO and to come present in person before the Bench on the next

hearing, failing which the appeal case will be decided on the basis of documents available in the case file.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Ankit Sehgal, C/o Bombay Studio Near Main Post Office Chowk, Pathankot.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Improvement Trust, Kapurthala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Executive Engineer, Improvement Trust, Kapurthala.

....Respondents

AC No. 402 of 2022

Present: (i) Shri Ankit Sehgal, Appellant

(ii) Shri Sachin, Surveyor, O/o Improvement Trust, Kapurthala,

on behalf of the PIO/respondent, in person.

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex/in person)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 20.09.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 30.10.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 13.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. The case has been heard today. Shri Ankit Sehgal, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex.
- 3. Shri Sachin, Surveyor, O/o Improvement Trust, Kapurthala comes present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO and states that the information was supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 25.08.2021 and the appellant has been supplied information again on 29.03.2022.
- 4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that the information supplied is not in consonance with his RTI application. He is made to talk to the representative of PIO who explains to him the details of information supplied. The appellant expresses dis-satisfaction over the information supplied.

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4. Post deliberations, the PIO is directed to call the appellant to his office on any working day

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and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, on perusal of the relevant official

records, will identify the information and the information so identified by the appellant will be provided by

the PIO before the next hearing.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on

02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the

concerned parties.

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Shri. P.C.Sharma, Advocate, #378, M.M. Malviya Road, Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner. Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No. 387 of 2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent

None on behalf of the PIO/respondent.. (ii)

ORDER

- The RTI application is dated 04.09.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information 1. as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 11.11.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. Shri P.C. Sharma, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex.
- Neither the PIO O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar has come present 3. to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO.
- In the absence of the appellant as well as the PIO, the Bench is unable to proceed further in the matter and deems it appropriate to adjourn the matter. The PIO is, however, directed to supply information to the appellant as also ensure to attend the next hearing in person before the Bench.
- With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Darshan Pal Singh Narula, # 306. Phase-3/A. Mohali.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o GMADA, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority O/o GMADA, Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No. 370 of 2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/respondent..

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application is dated 09.09.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 05.11.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. Shri Darshan Pal Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex.
- 3. Neither the PIO O/o GMADA, Mohali has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO.
- 4. In the absence of the appellant as well as the PIO, the Bench is unable to proceed further in the matter and deems it appropriate to adjourn the matter. The PIO is, however, directed to supply information to the appellant as also ensure to attend the next hearing in person before the Bench.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Gurdeep Singh Khalsa, S/o Shri Bhag Singh, R/o Harjinder Nagar, Ward No.26, Malout, Distt:Sri Muktsar Sahib.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Tehsildar, Malout.

First Appellate Authority O/o Deputy Commissioner, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

AC No. 355 of 2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/respondent..

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application is dated 11.08.2018 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 05.10.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. Shri Gurdeep Singh Khalsa, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex.
- 3. Neither the PIO O/o Tehsildar, Malout, District Sri Muktsar Sahib has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO.
- 4. In the absence of the appellant as well as the PIO, the Bench is unable to proceed further in the matter and deems it appropriate to adjourn the matter. The PIO is, however, directed to supply information to the appellant as also ensure to attend the next hearing in person before the Bench.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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

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Shri Rinku , H.No.31, A.K.S.a Colony, Zirakpur, Distt. Mohali.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o District Sports Officer, Guru Nanak Stadium, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o District Sports Officer, Guru Nanak Stadium,Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No. 422 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Rinku, Appellant.

(ii) Shri Raj Kumar, Clerk O/o District Sports Officer, Ludhiana

on behalf of PIO/respondent, in person.

(iii) Shri Hardeep Singh Wadhwa, Advocate on behalf of PIO.

- 1. The RTI application is dated 19.10.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.11.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.05.2022. Shri Rinku, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has sought copy of attendance as well sports achievement of the wrestlers trained by Shri Jaspreet Singh, Wrestling Coach during the period 2016 to 2019, which has not been provided so far.
- 3. Shri Raj Kumar, Clerk O/o District Sports Officer, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that reply has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 22.04.2022 stating that the attendance of players is not submitted in the office of District Sports Officer by name and only the number of players as per monthly schedule of the Coach concerned is informed to the office and so far as the copies of sports achievement is concerned, these documents being personal documents, no record relating to the same is available in their office.

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4. Shri Hardeep Singh Wadhwa, Advocate also attends the hearing on behalf of the PIO in

person and states that the Coaches are outsourced employees and the diet money is disbursed on the

basis of number of players coached by the Coach and no attendance record is available in the office of

District Sports Officer, Ludhiana.

5. Post deliberations, the Bench observes that it is not in agreement with the issues brought

forth by the respondent. The Bench directs that information as sought by the appellant be provided as per

issues raised by him in his RTI application. Attendance details of players and performance/ achievements

of the Wrestling Coach be given.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on

02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the

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Shri Sandeep Kumar, Advocate Chamber No. 182, Block-C, District Courts, Gurdaspur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Deputy Secretary (RTI Cell), Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. (PSPCL), Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Chief Engineer, Technical Audit & Inspection, Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd., (PSPCL), Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.4067/2021

- <u>Present:</u> (i) Shri Dinesh Mahajan on behalf of Shri Sandeep Kumar, Appellant, in person.
 - (ii) Shri Satish Kumar, Sr.XEN, Technical Audit -3 PSPCL, Patiala, on behalf of PIO, in person.

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.03.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Dinesh Mahajan, comes present to attend the hearing in person on behalf of the appellant. He states that the appellant has received un-satisfactory response. He alleges that in spite of various complaints pending against one Shri Gagan Bhaskar, AEE, mentioned in RTI application, he is posted at a station of his choice and no action on the complaints against him is being taken.
- 3. Shri Satish Kumar, Sr.XEN, Technical Audit –3, PSPCL, Patiala, comes present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO and reiterates the statement as made during the previous hearing by Shri Dharmvir Kamal, Sr.XEN and further states that en enquiry into the complaints made against the said Shri Gagan Bhaskar has been conducted by the Inquiry Officer-cum-Additional S.E. T.A.-1 Jalandhar and it is nearing finalization and copy of enquiry report will be supplied to the appellant by end of July, 2022. As such, he requests for giving some time to comply with the directions of the Hon'ble Bench.

PSIC Solution

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4. The Bench accedes to the request of the representative of PIO and directs the PIO to provide requisite information to the appellant as assured to the Bench as also to ensure compliance of the directions of the Bench given during the previous hearing, in its entirety.

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5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 02.08.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the orders be sent to the concerned parties.

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