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Sh Ramandeep Singh, Ward No-18,
Street No-2, Kartar Nagar, Amlah Road,
Khanna.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o E.O MC,
Amlah.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Regional Depty Director,
Urban local Govt, 1st Floor,
Mini Secretariat, Ferozepur Road,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1875 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Ramandeep Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Lal Chand, Clerk for the Respondent

ORDER: The case was first heard on 17.10.2019. The respondent present on behalf of the PIO sought more time for providing the complete information.

The Commission observed that the appellant had sought information regarding enlistment of contractor M/s N.K. Construction but has not established any larger public interest in seeking the information. The appellant was directed to establish that disclosure of information has a larger public interest.

The case was last heard on **13.02.2020**. The appellant submitted a letter whereby the appellant tried to establish that the disclosure of information has a larger public interest stating that this particular contractor has not been enlisted as per law and disclosure of documents will reveal the contention of the appellant. The appellant stated that the enlistment letter to the contractor can only be issued at the level of the technical officer such as the Municipal Engineer or the Assistant Municipal Engineer.

Keeping the above in view, the Commission found that the disclosure of information is in public interest and directed the PIO to provide the information to the appellant as per the RTI application within 15 days.

Hearing dated 02.06.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

The respondent present pleaded that the available information has been supplied to the appellant. The appellant is not satisfied and stated that the information is not as per the RTI application.

The appellant is directed to point out the discrepancies, if any in writing with a copy to the PIO. The PIO is directed to remove the discrepancies and provide the information whatever available in the record as per the RTI Act.

To come up for compliance on **21.07.2020 at 01.30 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Ravinder Kataria,
64, New Sant Fateh Singh Nagar,
Dugri Road, Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, GLADA,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Addl Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3200 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh. Ravinder Kataria as the Appellant on W/S
Sh. Santosh Kumar Bains, PIO for the Respondent on W/S

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 06.05.2019 has sought information regarding details of officers and officials alongwith their names and posting, names of Architects working from 2000 to 2019 and other information concerning the office of EO-GLADA Ludhiana. The appellant was denied the information by the PIO vide letter dated 04.06..2019 citing letter No.1/69/2007-IR dated 07.02.2019 of Govt of India after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 20.06.2019 which disposed off the appeal with the directions to the PIO to provide the information, however, the PIO has not provided the information.

The case was last heard on 24.12.2019. Both the parties were absent. The PIO was directed to have a look at the order of the First Appellate Authority and provide the information accordingly.

Hearing dated 02.06.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana.

The respondent present pleaded that the information has been supplied to the appellant. The appellant is not satisfied with the information regarding point-3 and wants names and registration certificates of the Architects working with GLADA. The respondent stated that no such list of Architects is available with them since any Architect who is registered with the Council of Architects, is allowed to work with GLADA.

The PIO is directed to send a complete reply regarding the procedure being followed for allowing the Architects to work with GLADA.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **21.07.2020 at 01.30 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh. R.P Singh Through Rakesh Kumar,
3rd Floor, Chamber No-362, Court complex,
Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o XEN, PSPCL,
Agar Nagar Opposite Milk Plant,
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o XEN, PSPCL,
Agar Nagar Opposite Milk Plant,
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3242 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.R.P.Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Parminder Singh for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 11.06.2019 has sought information regarding details of electric connection installed in the house of Sh. Amar Singh s/o Sh.Chandan Singh H.No.810(old), new 29.3332 Near Aarti Cinema Ludhiana and other information concerning the office of Xen, PSPCL Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 12.07.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case was last heard on 24.12.2019. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent was absent. The PIO was directed to provide the information and explain the reasons for not attending to the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act.

Hearing dated 02.06.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana.

The respondent informed that the information has been supplied to the appellant. The appellant has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed**.

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Kuldip Kumar,
5-C, Phase-1, Urban Estate,
Foal Point, Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o PSPCL, Focal Point,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o PSPCL, Focal Point,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3389 of 2019

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 23.05.2019 has sought information regarding domestic connection issued on 20.11.2012 in quarter No.1 in Water Works Area Urban Estate Focal Point – application submitted seeking connection, appended documents and other information concerning the office of PSPCL Ludhiana. The appellant was not was provided the information after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 17.07.2019 which disposed off the appeal on 22.08.2019 stating that the information cannot be provided since the information is 3rd party.

The case was last heard on 07.01.2020. The respondent was absent. The appellant informed that he has received the information only on 06.01.2020 but had yet to go through the same. The appellant had sought adjournment.

The appellant was directed to point out the discrepancies, if any to the PIO and the PIO was directed to remove the same.

Hearing dated 02.06.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana. Both the parties are absent.

The appellant vide email has informed that he has received the information and is satisfied and his case may be closed.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed**.

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh Kamaljit Singh,
395-L, Model Town,
Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Addl SE, PSPCL,
Janta Nagar (Khas),
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Addl SE, PSPCL,
Janta Nagar (Khas),
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3275 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Kamaljit Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Surjit Singh, Xen for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 24.12.2019. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent was absent. The Commission observed that there has been an enormous delay of seven months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission directed the PIO to provide the information within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission otherwise the Commission will be constrained to issue a show cause notice under section 20 of the RTI Act. The PIO was also directed to explain the reasons for not attending to the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act.

Hearing dated 02.06.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana. The respondent present pleaded that the available information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant pleaded that the information is incomplete. The respondent further pleaded that since the information pertains to the electric connection which was installed in the year 2009, the record is not traceable and a committee has been constituted to conduct the enquiry regarding missing record.

The PIO is directed to conduct an enquiry into the matter and submit complete enquiry report which establishes that the record is missing and responsibility has been fixed for the person under whose custody the record went missing and suitable action has been taken against him. Also whatever document is available, to provide and that are missing, to give in writing on an affidavit within 7 days.

To come up for further hearing on **21.07.2020 at 01.30 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

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Sh Sat Pal Sharma, S/o Shgian Chand Sharma,
H NO-3623, St No-1, DurgaPuri,
HaibowalKalan Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner Of Police,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Ludhiana

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3685 of 2018

PRESENT: Sh.Sat Pal Sharma as the Appellant
Sh.Manish Kumar, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case was first heard by Sh.S.S.Channy, CIC on 21.01.2019. The appellant was absent. Sh.Dev Raj Inspector appeared on behalf of the respondent brought the information to be supplied to the appellant. The respondent was directed to send the information to the appellant through registered post and the appellant was directed to point out the discrepancies. The case was again heard on 27.02.2019. The appellant was absent. The respondent informed that the information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 23.02.2019. The appellant was directed to send his observations, if any with a copy to the Commission.

The case was again heard on 08.04.2019. The appellant was absent. The appellant sent his observations through email and the respondent present was directed to sort out the discrepancies.

The case was heard on 23.10.2020 by this bench. The appellant informed that he has received the information on points-3 & 4 only. Regarding points-1 & 2, the respondent informed that the record is missing. The Commission directed the department to conduct an enquiry into the matter and fix responsibility of the person under whose custody the record has gone missing.

The PIO was directed to provide the information on point 5. The respondent also did now know about the case fully. The PIO was directed to appear personally or send a representative who is well aware of the case so that the time of the Commission is not wasted.

The case was last heard on **13.01.2020**. The respondent present informed that they have traced out the record and brought the information. The appellant was absent and vide email has sought exemption. However, the appellant vide said email has requested that he will collect the information by visiting the office of the PIO. The PIO was directed to contact the appellant and provide the requisite information as desired by the appellant and send a compliance report to the Commission.

Hearing dated 02.06.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana. The respondent present pleaded that in compliance with the order of the Commission, the complete information has been supplied to the appellant. The appellant informed that he has received the information but with a delay of more than 2 years.

The respondent pleaded that since the record was not traceable, the complete information could not be provided. Now they have traced out the record and remaining information has been provided to the appellant and that the delay is not intentional.

Since the information has been provided, the Commission accepts the plea of the respondent and close the case.

The case is **disposed off and closed**.

Sd/-

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh Parminder Singh, S/o Sh jaspal Singh,
R/o H No, 6837/3-A, Mohar Singh Nagar,
Street No-8, Hargobind Marg, Ludhiana.

Versus

... Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o PSPCL, Cheema Chowk,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o PSPCL, Cheema Chowk,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3715 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Parminder Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Sukhbir O/o PSPCL CMD Div for the Respondent

ORDER: The case was last heard on 28.01.2020. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 08.01.2020 and a copy of the same submitted to the Commission. The appellant pleaded that the information provided is neither legible nor certified and the information has been provided after filing of appeal in the Commission. The PIO was directed to provide certified legible copy of the information.

The Commission further observes that there has been an enormous delay of more than ten months in providing the information. The PIO was issued a **show cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file reply on an affidavit.**

Hearing dated 02.06.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana. The respondent present pleaded that the complete information has been supplied to the appellant. The appellant informed that he has received the information but with a delay of more than one year.

At the last hearing the PIO was issued a show cause notice and directed to file reply on an affidavit. The respondent has not filed reply to the show cause notice. The respondent pleaded that since the RTI application was not received by them earlier which they received with the notice of the Commission, the information has been provided to the appellant. The Commission accepts the plea of the respondent and drops the show cause notice.

However, the Commission is of the view that since the appellant has had to suffer undue inconvenience to get the information, it is a fit case for awarding compensation to the appellant u/s 19(8)(b) of the RTI Act.

The PIO is directed to pay an amount of **Rs.3000/-** via demand draft drawn through Govt. Treasury as compensation to the appellant for the loss and detriment suffered by him of having to file the appeals and not getting information in time. The PIO is directed to duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof of having compensated the appellant.

The case is adjourned. To come up for compliance on **21.07.2020 at 01.30 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Sd/-

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh Parmod Kumar, S/o Sh Achoor Singh,
R/o PAM, C-9, Phase-5, Focal Point,
Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o GLADA,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o GLADA,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4166 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Parmod Kumar as the Appellant at Chandigarh
Sh.Santosh Kumar Bains, PIO for the Respondent on W/s

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 26.02.2020. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 19.02.2020 and a copy of the same submitted to the Commission. The appellant had received the information. The appellant however, was not satisfied with the reply regarding point 4(b) and stated that the decision of the court has not been provided. The PIO was directed to resolve the matter regarding point-4(b) within 10 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

Hearing dated 02.06.2020:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana.

The respondent pleaded that as discussed at the last hearing, the appellant has not sent the decision of the court on Special Leave Petition. The appellant informed that he has sent the same to GLADA via post on 05.03.2020 and a copy of the same is submitted to the Commission.

A copy of the decision of the court on SLP submitted by the appellant is being sent to the PIO and the PIO is directed to provide the information on point-4(b) within 15 days.

The case is adjourned. To come up for compliance on **21.07.2020 at 01.30 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Rohit Sabharwal,
Kundan Bhawan, 126,
Model Gram, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, GLADA,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional, Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case .No. 4563 of 2019

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Santosh Kumar Bains, PIO for the Respondent on W/S

ORDER

The appellant through RTI application dated 17.08.2019 has sought information regarding details of action taken in respect of letter dated 03.07.2019 relating to notices issued to the violators and other information concerning the office of EO-GLADA Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided the information, after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 07.10.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana. The respondent pleaded that they have already supplied the information to the appellant.

The appellant is absent. The PIO is directed to send written reply for delay in attending to the RTI application and also a copy of the information that has been provided to appellant. The appellant is directed to point out the discrepancies, if any to the PIO with a copy to the Commission and the PIO is directed to remove the discrepancies.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **21.07.2020 at 01.30 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

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Dated 02.06.2020

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Sh. Gagandeep Singh,
SCO-26, Shanti Park,
Main Sua Road, Threake,
Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o GLADA,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Additional Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

..Respondent

Appeal Case .No. 4580 of 2019

PRESENT: None for the Appellant

Sh.Santosh Kumar Bains, PIO for the Respondent on W/S

ORDER

The appellant through RTI application dated 05.09.2019 has sought information regarding complete files No.506480 dated 29.01.2019, 507747 dated 05.02.2019, 521441 dated 12.04.2019, 506241 dated 28.01.2019 relating to village Barike and other information concerning the office of GLADA Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided the information, after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 09.10.2019 which took no decision on the appeal. After filing first appeal, the PIO sent information to the appellant vide letter dated 14.10.2019. Being not satisfied with the information, the appellant filed 2nd appeal in the Commission on 09.12.2019.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of Ludhiana.

The respondent present pleaded that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 14.10.2019 and again on 04.03.2020 and a copy of the same submitted to the Commission. The appellant is absent. The appellant is directed to point out the discrepancies, if any to the PIO with a copy of the Commission and the PIO is directed to remove the same.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **21.07.2020 at 01.30 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Sd/-

Chandigarh
Dated 02.06.2020

(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner