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



Sh. Kuldeep Singh

#437 A, Model Town Extension,
Ludhiana. M: 9356211555

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o Principal Secretary, Local Govt.,
Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot no. 3, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Principal Secretary, Local Govt.,
Punjab, Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 5093 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Kuldeep Singh is present in the Court..
Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Superintendent from LG -1 Branch is present;
Sh. Rajeev Kumar, Superintendent from the office of MC, Ludhiana is present.

ORDER:

This case may be read with reference of the previous orders dated 05.04.2022.

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

On the other hand, the Superintendent, Sh. Sukhdev Singh states that the information has to be given by the office of MC, Ludhiana and the letter dated 25.07.2022 for the same has been sent to the concerned department.

Also, an email dated 26.07.2022 from the department has been received to the bench of undersigned and is taken on record.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that there is delay in transferring the RTI application to the concerned department as well as no information has been supplied to the Appellant till date.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO and the show cause notice which was issued to the concerned PIO on the previous hearing / order dated 05.04.2022 by the undersigned still stands.

In view of above, the concerned PIO i.e. O/o Principal Secretary, Local Govt. Department Punjab, Chandigarh is directed to supply the requisite information **(as per RTI, after collecting the same from the concerned department)** 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 in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

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 also be sent to the PIO O/o The Commissioner, MC, Ludhiana for further necessary action.

The Appellant, Sh. Kuldeep Singh 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 positively failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 18.10.2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 02.08.2022

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

CC (Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

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Sh. Bharpur Singh
Sarpanch, Village BaladKothi
Block Bhawanigarh, Distt. Sangrur
M: 9463880694

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Chief Vigilance Officer,
Local Govt. Punjab, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Vigilance Officer,
Local Govt. Punjab, Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 5155 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Bharpur Singh is absent.
None is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 05.04.2022

In today's hearing, both the parties are absent.

On the last hearing the Chief Sanitary Inspector, Sh. Navdeep Sharma stated that " this information doesn't relate with their office as it relates with the Executive Engineer, PWD, B & R Sangrur's office " but somehow the order dated 05.04.2022 was not sent to the PIO office of Executive Engineer, PWD (B & R), Sangrur.

In view of above, a copy of this order and previous order dated 05.04.2022 be sent to the PIO office of Executive Engineer, PWD (B & R), Sangrur along with the RTI application and further the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

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.

The Appellant, Sh. Bharpur Singh 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 positively failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 18.10.2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 02.08.2022

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Engineer,
PWD (B & R), Sangrur.

Encl : RTI application and
Previous order dated 05.04.2022.

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Sh. Amritpal Singh, S/o Sh. Avtar Singh,

H. no. 263 A / 13, Street No. 08, Hussainpura East, Amritsar.

M: 98153-62281

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Director,

Local Govt., Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot no. 3, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director,

Local Govt. Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 5659 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Amritpal Singh is present.

None is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case may be read with reference of the previous orders dated 05.04.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Amritpal Singh states that information relating to point number 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the RTI application has been supplied to him and he is satisfied with the same. He further states that incomplete information has been supplied to him in relating to point number 5 of his RTI application, as he wants to know percentage reserved.

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

A copy of cover letter vide endorsement number 906 dated 06.06.2022 has been received in the Commission and is taken on record.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the remaining information **(as per RTI, in relating to point number 05)** 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 in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

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.

The Appellant, Sh. Amritpal Singh 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 positively failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 20.10.2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 02.08.2022

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Sh. Amarjit Singh, (M: 9888490031)

H. No. 60-35-P-330, Street No 08, Maha Singh Nagar,
P.O. Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana (Pin: 141014)

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Malerkotla,
District Sangrur (Pin: 148023)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Malerkotla,
District Sangrur (Pin: 148023)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2470 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The representative Sh. Gurmej Lal is present along with the Appellant, Sh. Amarjit Singh.
Sh. Harmail Singh, Junior Engineer is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 12.04.2022.

In today's hearing, the representative of the Appellant, Sh. Gurmej Lal states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the Junior Engineer, Sh. Harmail Singh states that the Appellant has not deposited the requisite fees i.e. Rs. 17560/- to their concerned department, due to which the information has not been supplied.

On this, the representative of the Appellant, Sh. Gurmej Lal states that there is delay in requesting the requisite fees from the Appellant.

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 and other concerned officials 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 the PIO on the next date of hearing.**

The Appellant, Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia or his representative 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 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.

This case is adjourned to 20.10.2022 at 11:00 A.M

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 02.08.2022

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Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan, M: 85095-80002

H. No. 78 / 8, Park Road,
New Mandi, Dhuri, District Sangrur.

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Dhuri, District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Additional Deputy Director, (UD),
Sangrur.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4303 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is absent.

Sh. Ashwani Kumar, EO office of MC, Dhuri is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 12.04.2022

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is absent but a letter dated 15.07.2022 has been received in the Commission vide which he has requested for an adjournment and further mentions that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, the EO, Sh. Ashwani Kumar states that the information has already been sent to the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar vide letter dated 27.07.2022 and the copy of the cover letter vide endorsement number 1505 dated 27.07.2022 has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On further discussing with the EO, Sh. Ashwani Kumar about the **penalty amount i.e. Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) which was imposed on the concerned PIO vide orders dated 12.04.2022;** to which it is found that the penalty has not been deposited into the Government Treasury till date.

On further asking, it has been found that on the previous hearing dated 12.04.2022 i.e. EO, Sh. Ashish Kumar (who is currently posted at the office of MC, Phagwara) was the, the then PIO of the office of MC, Dhuri and further the concerned PIO is directed to look into this matter and make sure that the penalty amount be deposited to the Government Treasury well in time.

A copy of this order be sent to the EO, Sh. Ashish Kumar, Municipal Corporation, Phagwara to look into this matter and make sure to comply the above said order.

The ADC (UD), Sangrur is directed to look into this matter and make sure that the penalty amount should be deducted from the salary of the concerned / responsible PIO.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan 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 positively failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

The concerned PIO is directed to submit the copy of postal receipts to the Commission vide the information has been sent to the Appellant.

This case is adjourned to 21.10.2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 02.08.2022

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Engineer, (Sh. Ashish Kumar)
Municipal Corporation, Phagwara.

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Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Dhuri, District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Additional Deputy Director, (UD),
Sangrur.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4304 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is absent.
Sh. Ashwani Kumar, EO office of MC, Dhuri is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 12.04.2022

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is absent but a letter dated 15.07.2022 has been received in the Commission vide which he has requested for an adjournment and further mentions that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, the EO, Sh. Ashwani Kumar states that the information has already been sent to the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar vide letter dated 26.07.2022 and the copy of the cover letter vide endorsement number 1498 dated 26.07.2022 has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On further discussing with the EO, Sh. Ashwani Kumar about the **penalty amount i.e. Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) which was imposed on the concerned PIO vide orders dated 12.04.2022;** to which it is found that the penalty has not been deposited into the Government Treasury till date.

On further asking, it has been found that on the previous hearing dated 12.04.2022 i.e. EO, Sh. Ashish Kumar (who is currently posted at the office of MC, Phagwara) was the, the then PIO of the office of MC, Dhuri and further the concerned PIO is directed to look into this matter and make sure that the penalty amount be deposited to the Government Treasury well in time.

A copy of this order be sent to the EO, Sh. Ashish Kumar, Municipal Corporation, Phagwara to look into this matter and make sure to comply the above said order.

The ADC (UD), Sangrur is directed to look into this matter and make sure that the penalty amount should be deducted from the salary of the concerned / responsible PIO.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan 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 positively failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

The concerned PIO is directed to submit the copy of postal receipts to the Commission vide the information has been sent to the Appellant.

This case is adjourned to 21.10.2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 02.08.2022

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O/o The Executive Engineer, (Sh. Ashish Kumar)
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Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Dhuri, District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Additional Deputy Director, (UD),
Sangrur.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4305 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is absent.

Sh. Ashwani Kumar, EO office of MC, Dhuri is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 12.04.2022

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is absent but a letter dated 15.07.2022 has been received in the Commission vide which he has requested for an adjournment and further mentions that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, the EO, Sh. Ashwani Kumar states that the information has already been sent to the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar vide letter dated 27.07.2022 and the copy of the cover letter vide endorsement number 1503 dated 27.07.2022 has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On further discussing with the EO, Sh. Ashwani Kumar about the **penalty amount i.e. Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand) which was imposed on the concerned PIO vide orders dated 12.04.2022;** to which it is found that the penalty has not been deposited into the Government Treasury till date.

On further asking, it has been found that on the previous hearing dated 12.04.2022 i.e. EO, Sh. Ashish Kumar (who is currently posted at the office of MC, Phagwara) was the, the then PIO of the office of MC, Dhuri and further the concerned PIO is directed to look into this matter and make sure that the penalty amount be deposited to the Government Treasury well in time.

A copy of this order be sent to the EO, Sh. Ashish Kumar, Municipal Corporation, Phagwara to look into this matter and make sure to comply the above said order.

The ADC (UD), Sangrur is directed to look into this matter and make sure that the penalty amount should be deducted from the salary of the concerned / responsible PIO.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan 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 positively failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

The concerned PIO is directed to submit the copy of postal receipts to the Commission vide the information has been sent to the Appellant.

This case is adjourned to 21.10.2022 at 11:00 A.M.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 02.08.2022

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State Information Commissioner
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