

Shri Hakam Singh, S/o Sh. Darshan Singh, R/o Sadhir, Tehsil Gidderbaha, Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib.

--Appellant.

Public Information Officer

O/o Addl. District Program Co-ordinator, MNREGA, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

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

Respondent

# Appeal Case No. 3055 of 2021

Versus

**Present:-** Shri Hakam Singh, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Addl. District Program Coordinator,

MNREGA, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

ORDER

Dated: 02.11.2021

Shri Hakam Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 30.03.2021 before the ADC (D), Sri Muktsar Sahib. The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the SPIO, O/o Addl. District Program Coordinator, MNREGA, Sri Muktsar Sahib vide letter dated 12.04.2021. When no information was provided to the appellant by the SPIO, then he filed First Appellate Authority on 04.05.2021 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 02.07.2021. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the RTI application dated 30.03.2021 filed by the appellant.

Today both the parties are absent and neither they have sent any mail to the Commission.

As both the parties are absent today, so the present appeal case is adjourned with the direction to the SPIO that he should personally come present on the next date of hearing along with reply/information related to the appeal filed by the appellant. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

To come up for further hearing on 24.11.2021 at 10:00 A.M.

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Shri Gurbax Rai Charaya, 08, Basant Kunj, PO Ladhewali, Jalandhar.

--Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o SDM, Jalandhar-1.

**First Appellate Authority: O/o** SDM, Jalandhar-1.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.:3034 of 2021

**Present:-** Shri Gurbax Rai Charaya, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o SDM, Jalandhar-1.

ORDER

Dated: 02.11.2021

Shri Gurbax Rai Charaya, appellant filed RTI application dated 01.02.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o SDM, Jalandhar-1. A reply was sent to him by the SPIO vide letter no.1010 dated 23.02.2021. But not satisfied with the reply of the SPIO, the appellant filed First Appellate Authority on 27.02.2021 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 01.07.2021. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software.** 

The appellant is present today, whereas none appeared on behalf of the SPIO.

The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the SPIO.

I have gone through the RTI application dated 01.02.2021 and also gone through the reply i.e. letter no.1010 dated 23.02.2021 sent by the SPIO. The reply sent by the SPIO is not acceptable.

So, the SPIO, O/o SDM, Jalandhar-1 is directed to send detailed point-wise reply/information within 10 days to the appellant through registered post and copy of the same be send to the Commission. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 24.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Onkar Singh, S/o Shri Gurmail Singh, Bajrha Colony, P.O. Basti Jodhewal, Rahon Road, Ludhiana.

......Appellant.

Public Information Officer, O/o BDPO,

Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority: O/o BDPO, Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

# Appeal Case No. 104 of 2021

Vs

**Present:-** Shri Onkar Singh, appellant is absent.

Shri Harjeet Singh, Panchayat Secretary is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o

BDPO, Ludhiana-2.

ORDER

Dated: 02.11.2021

Shri Onkar Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 17.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Ludhiana.

# Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is absent today, whereas the respondent is present on behalf of the SPIO and he stated that the information has been sent to the appellant through registered post on 25.10.2021 and copy of the same has also been sent to the Commission.

The Commission has received an e-mail sent by the SPIO, which is a copy of letter no. SPL-1 dated 25.10.2021 vide which information was sent to the appellant. I have gone through the said letter and regarding point nos. 4, 6 and 7 of the RTI application, the information has not been sent by the SPIO.

So, the SPIO is directed that the information specifically point-wise be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week along with demand draft of Rs.3,000/- as compensation from the funds of public authority and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs. 25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 24.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

( Avtar Singh Kaler )
State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Shri Jasbir Singh, S/o Shri Harbans Singh, R/o Village Jalal Khera, P.O. Sular, Distt. Patiala.

.....Appellant.

Public Information Officer, O/ o BDPO, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority: O/o DDPO, Patiala.

.....Respondent

# Appeal Case No. 2578 of 2021

Vs

**Present:-** Shri Jasbir Singh, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Patiala.

ORDER

Dated: 02.11.2021

Shri Jasbir Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 09.03.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Patiala.

#### Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the SPIO till date.

I have gone through the case file and vide letter no. 413-15 dated 09.07.2021, the SPIO-cum-BDPO, Patiala has directed Shri Jaspreet Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Shri Lavish Gautam, J.E. and Shri Malkinder Singh, GRS (MANREGA) to provide the information to the appellant and to appear before the Commission, but they have not complied with the directions issued by the higher authorities.

So, the concerned PIOs, O/o BDPO, Patiala are directed that the attested copies of sought for information, specifically point-wise, be provided to the appellant either by hand or be sent through registered post within a week and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, Show Cause Notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to Shri Jaspreet Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Shri Lavish Gautam, J.E. and Shri Malkinder Singh, GRS (MANREGA) on the next date of hearing and they will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from their salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 17.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

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Shri Kuldeep Singh Khaira, # 125, Ishar Nagar, Ludhiana.



..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o SHO, Police Station, Daba. Ludhiana.

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

.....Respondent

# Appeal Case No. 2608 of 2021

Present:-Shri Kuldeep Singh Khaira, appellant is present.

> None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o SHO, Police Station, Daba, Ludhiana. ASI Tarsem Singh-1689/LDH, O/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana is present.

ORDER

Shri Kuldeep Singh Khaira, appellant filed RTI application dated 29.12.2020 before the SPIO, O/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana. The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the SPIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Daba, Ludhiana vide letter no.3018 dated 30.12.2020.

# Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o SHO, Police Station, Daba, Ludhiana.

ASI Tarsem Singh who appeared on behalf of the First Appellate Authority stated that letter dated 20.10.2021 has been written to the PIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Daba, Ludhiana to attend the hearing for today.

The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the PIO.

I have gone through the Order dated 21.09.2021 and a show cause notice was issued to the PIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Daba that why he has refused to receive the Notice sent by the Commission and why has not provided the information to the applicant and so why he may not be penalized up to Rs. 25,000/- which will be deducted from his salary. He was directed to file reply to the show cause notice, but he has not sent any reply to the show cause and neither he has attended the hearing for today.

So, a last opportunity is granted to the PIO-cum-SHO, Police Station, Daba to file reply to the show cause notice in writing and send the reply to the Commission at least 15 days before the next date of hearing and he will be afforded personal hearing on the next date of hearing. In case he would not come present and would not file reply to the Show Cause Notice, then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defence and he will be penalized up to Rs. 25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

# Appeal Case No. 2608 of 2021

The Respondent PIO is further directed that he should personally come present on the next date of hearing along with the relevant record.

Both the parties should personally come present on the next date of hearing i.e. **24.11.2021** at **10:00 A.M**.

( Avtar Singh Kaler )
Dated: 02.11.2021 State Information Commissioner, Punjab

(Regd.): CC: Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

- for compliance of the order of the Commission.

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Shri Naresh Kumar, H. No. NH 318, Neela Mehal, PO New Green Market, New Dana Mandi, Jalandhar.

..... Appellant

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Public Information Officer, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

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

.....Respondent

# Appeal Case No. 3044 of 2020

Present:- Shri Naresh Kumar, appellant is absent.

Sh. Vicky Sahota, Dealing Clerk is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Municipal

Corporation, Jalandhar.

ORDER

Dated: 02.11.2021

Shri Naresh Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 16.07.2020 and sought information from the SPIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar regarding the government houses/quarters allotted to the employees of Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

#### Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is absent today, whereas the respondent is present and he stated that in compliance to the order dated 21.09.2021, point-wise information/reply has already been sent to the appellant through registered post on 21.09.2021 vide letter no. 1048/CE/W dated 21.09.2021.

The Commission has received an e-mail sent by the SPIO, which is a copy of letter no. 1048/CE/W dated 21.09.2021 vide which point-wise information/reply has been sent to the appellant.

A show cause notice was issued to the SPIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalndhar vide Order dated 17.02.2021 and he was directed to file reply to the show cause notice, but the SPIO has not sent any reply to the show cause notice.

So, Shri Manjit Singh, SPIO-cum-XEN, Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar is directed to come personally present on the next date of hearing along with written reply to the show cause notice and an opportunity of personal hearing would be afforded to him on the Show Cause Notice. In case the SPIO would not file reply to the Show Cause Notice, then it will be assumed that the he do not want to say anything in his defence and the Show Cause Notice will be decided on the basis of the papers available in the file and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

To come up personally on the next date of hearing i.e. 16.11.2021 at 10:00 A.M.

( Avtar Singh Kaler )
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

PSIC Signature

Shri Manjit Singh, H.No. 36. Phase 3. Ui

H.No. 36, Phase 3, Urban Estate,

Dugri, Ludhiana. ..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Principal Secretary, Punjab Education Department, Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Principal Secretary, Punjab Education Department, Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

# Appeal Case No. 3763 of 2020

Present:- Shri Manjit Singh, appellant is present.

Shri Inderpal Singh, Sr. Asstt. is present on behalf of Shri Jasminder Singh,

SPIO-cum-Suptd., O/o Punjab Education Deptt.

ORDER

Shri Manjit Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 27.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Principal Secretary, Punjab Education Department, Chandigarh.

## Today the case is through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are present today.

The appellant stated that complete information has not been provided to him.

On the other hand the respondent stated that the information which was available in the office record has been provided to the appellant.

Under these circumstances, the SPIO is directed to come personally present on the next date of hearing along with relevant record. The appellant is also directed to come personally present.

Both the parties should personally come present on the next date of hearing i.e. **16.11.2021** at **10:00** A.M.

( Avtar Singh Kaler )
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Dated: 02.11.2021

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Shri Yogesh Malhotra, Advocate, S/o Shri H.L. Malhotra, # 14, Shastri Market, Jalandhar.



..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

# **Appeal Case No. 1995 of 2020**

Present:-

Shri Yogesh Malhotra, Advocate, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

ORDER

Dated: 02.11.2021

Shri Yoqesh Malhotra, Advocate, appellant filed RTI application dated 12.12.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

# Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas the respondent SPIO is absent. The appellant stated that complete information has not been provided to him by the SPIO till date.

I have perused the case file. Shri Bhupinder Singh, APIO-cum-Suptd. was present on 30.09.2020, 10.11.2020, 16.12.2020 and Shri Neeraj Sharma, Suptd. was present on 16.02.2021 and after that none has come present on behalf of the SPIO on any date of hearing.

As the appellant stated that complete information has not been provided to him by the SPIO, so the appellant is directed that he should submit the deficiencies in writing to the notice of the SPIO within 5 days and the SPIO is further directed that the information regarding the deficiencies be sent to the appellant through registered post before the next date of hearing and compliance be sent to the Commission.

A show cause notice was issued to the SPIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalndhar vide Order dated 16.09.2021 and he was directed to file reply to the show cause notice, but the SPIO has not sent any reply to the show cause notice.

So, the SPIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar is directed to come personally present on the next date of hearing along with written reply to the show cause notice and an opportunity of personal hearing would be afforded to him on the Show Cause Notice. In case the SPIO would not file reply to the Show Cause Notice, then it will be assumed that the he do not want to say anything in his defence and the Show Cause Notice will be decided on the basis of the papers available in the file and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should personally come present on the next date of hearing i.e. 24.11.2021 at 10:00 A.M.

> ( Avtar Singh Kaler ) **Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Raj Kumar, S/o Shri Hans Raj, Ward No. 9, Near Police Station Ghagga, Tehsil Patran, Distt. Patiala.



Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Patran, Distt. Patiala.

.....Respondent

..... Complainant

#### Complaint Case No. 890 of 2020

Present:- Shri Raj Kumar, complainant/applicant is absent.

Shri Gurpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o

BDPO, Patran, Distt. Patiala.

ORDER

Dated: 02.11.2021

Shri Raj Kumar, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 18.06.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Patran, Distt. Patiala regarding Gram Panchayat, Daftariwala.

## Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The applicant is absent today, whereas the respondent is present on behalf of the SPIO and he stated that the information comprising of about 600 pages has been provided to the applicant.

The applicant though is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission vide which he has pointed out the deficiencies in the information provided to him.

Under these circumstances, the SPIO is directed to resolve the matter involved in the RTI application before the next date of hearing and to file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant/applicant.

A Show Cause Notice was issued to the SPIO vide Order dated 28.07.2021 and he was directed to file reply to the Show Cause Notice, but the SPIO has not sent any reply to the Show Cause Notice.

So, a last and final opportunity is granted to the SPIO to come personally present on the next date of hearing along with written file reply to the show cause notice and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the show cause notice. In case he would not file reply to the show cause notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defense and the show cause notice will be decided on the basis of papers available in the file and he will be penalized up to Rs. 25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

To come up personally present on the next date of hearing i.e. 10.11.2021 at 10:00 A.M.

( Avtar Singh Kaler ) Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab