



Sh.Sanjeev Jindal, S/o Sh.Brahm Prakash,  
# 9628, Gali No. 9-C,  
Mini Secretariat Road, Bathinda.

... Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o MC,  
Bathinda.

...Respondent

**Complainant case No.406 of 2020**

**PRESENT: Sh.Sanjeev Goyal for the appellant**  
**Sh.Suman Kumar, Sanitary Inspector MC, Bathinda for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The complainant through RTI application dated 03.01.2020 has sought information regarding action taken on the complaints filed from 06.12.2019 till date – deployment of Mig-20 alongwith weight and expenses for bringing from Airforce – name of contractor and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of MC Bathinda. The complainant was not provided the information after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 03.07.2020.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Bathinda. The respondent present pleaded that since the information regarding points 2 to 8 relates to Improvement Trust, Bathinda, the RTI application has been transferred to them vide letter dated 13.01.2020 and the information concerning them on point-1 has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 27.05.2020.

The RTI application has been replied within the time prescribed under the RTI Act. However, since the complainant has come to the Commission without going to the first appellate authority, the case is remanded back to the First Appellate Authority, MC Bathinda with the direction to consider this an appeal and dispose off the same within a period of 30 days as per RTI Act.

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

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 03.02.2021**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**



Sh.Rohit Sharma Advocate,  
Chamber No-320, Lawyers Chamber,  
Second Floor, District Courts,  
Bathinda.

Complainant.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Principal Secretary,  
Water Supply and Sanitation Department,  
Room No-721, Mini Secretariat,  
Sector-9, Pb, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 467 of 2020**

**PRESENT:   None for the the appellant**  
**Sh.Paramjit Singh, Suptd.(B&R-2) for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The complainant through RTI application dated 26.05.2020 has sought information regarding charge sheet issued against Harsatinder Pal Singh Dhillon (presently serving as Chief Engineer-Central) then EE at Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Sri Anandpur Sahib – copy of enquiry report – file of enquiry report and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Principal Secretary, Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Pb Chandigarh. The PIO denied the information to the complainant on 18.06.2020 u/s 8(1)(j) citing order of the Supreme Court in SLP No.27734 of 2012 after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 21.07.2020.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Bathinda. Both the parties are absent. The respondent present pleaded that the information cannot be provided since it is exempt u/s 8(1)(j) and has cited decision of the Supreme Court dated 21.07.2012 in SLP 27734 of 2012, and that the reply has been sent to the complainant on 18.06.2020.

The complainant has come to the Commission without going to the First Appellate Authority. The PIO has replied within time.

If the complainant wants information, he is directed to go to the First Appellate Authority. The First Appellate Authority is directed to consider this as an appeal and dispose off the same within a period of 30 days as per the RTI Act.

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

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated:03.02.2021**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**CC to :First Appellate Authrity-cum-Addl. Secretary,**  
**Department of Water Supply & Sanitation,**  
**Room No.615, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Punjab Civil Secretariat-2,**  
**Chandigarh.**