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Shri Gulshan Kumar
1525/1, Street No.33,
Preet Nagar, Shimlapuri,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Assistant Town Planner,
Zone A, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

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

....Respondents

AC No.2360 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent
(ii) None on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 14.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard through Video Conferencing in DC Office, Ludhiana. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf nor has any intimation been given to this effect. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.
4. The Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him for not complying with the directions of Bench and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying complete information to the appellant. The PIO 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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5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a 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 proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. Since the Bench cannot reach any conclusion without hearing both the parties, the hearing in the instant appeal case is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2020 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
03.03.2021**

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2361 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 14.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard through Video Conferencing in DC Office, Ludhiana. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf nor has any intimation been given to this effect. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.
4. The Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him for not complying with the directions of Bench and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying complete information to the appellant. The PIO 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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5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a 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 proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. Since the Bench cannot reach any conclusion without hearing both the parties, the hearing in the instant appeal case is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2020 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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1525/1, Street No.33,
Preet Nagar, Shimlapuri,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2362 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent
(ii) Shri Amandeep Singh Grewal, SDO/APIO, Zone-C,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, on behalf of PIO.

ORDER

(Heard Through Video Conferencing)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 14.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard through Video Conferencing in DC Office, Ludhiana. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf nor has any intimation been given to this effect. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.
4. The Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-B, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him for not complying with the directions of Bench and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying complete information to the appellant. The PIO 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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5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a 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 proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The Bench observes that only representative of PIO from Zone-C has come present and none has come present from Zone A & Zone-B/C. Since the Bench cannot reach any conclusion without hearing all the parties, the hearing in the instant appeal case is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2020 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Amarjit Singh
S/o Shri Puran Singh
R/o Vill.Durang Khad, PO Trihari,
Tehsil Dhar Kalan,
District Pathankot.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Tehsildar, Dhar Kalan,
District Pathankot.

Public information Officer

O/o Divisional Forest Officer,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Pathankot.

....Respondents

AC No.2224 of 2020

Present: (i) Shri Amarjit Singh, Appellant
(ii) Shri Munshi Ram, Superintendent along with Shri Ashwani Kumar,
Range Officer, O/o Divisional Forest Officer, Pathankot.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through V.C. in D.C. Office, Pathankot. Shri Amarjit Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C.
3. Shri Munshi Ram, Superintendent, O/o Divisional Forest Officer, Pathankot comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 27.11.2020, sent by registered post on 28.11.2020.

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4. On the asking of the Bench, Shri Amarjit Singh, appellant states that he is not satisfied with the information supplied on point No.2 & 4 of his RTI application and the same is incomplete and incorrect information. He further states that the information has been supplied three times and every time, the list differs from the one given earlier.

5. Post deliberations with the PIO and the appellant, the Bench direct the PIO /Divisional Forest Officer, Pathankot to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, on inspection of the records, will identify the information required by him and the PIO will supply information as identified by the appellant, before the next hearing.

6. The PIOs of D.C. Office, Pathankot and PIO, O/o Divisional Forest Officer, Pathankot are directed to bring along all the relevant official records and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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S/o Shri Jagtar Singh
R/o Village Saido Ke Uttar
Alias Chandmari,
Tehsil & District Fazilka.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Fazilka.

....Respondents

AC No.3923 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant - absent**
(ii) **Shri Pardeep Singh, Senior Assistant, O/o D.C. Fazilka on behalf of PIO.**
(iii) **Shri Rajesh Kumar Chaudhary, Lead District Manager, Punjab National Bank, Fazilka.**

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 04.06.2020 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 14.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 08.12.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 03.03.2020 by the Commission through V.C. in D.C. Office, Fazilka. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through V.C. The appellant Shri Harbans Singh has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Rajesh Kumar Chaudhary, Lead District Manager, Punjab National Bank, Fazilka comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that a complaint was made by the appellant against Branch Manager, Punjab National Bank, Fazilka to the D.C. Fazilka in connection with a case of appellant under Pradhan Mantri Beema Yojna who has sent this complaint to the Lead Bank, PNB, Fazilka and is being looked into. Shri Pardeep Singh, Senior Assistant, O/o D.C. Fazilka comes present and states that the complaint is pending with the Lead Bank, PNB Fazilka.

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4. The appellant is absent, as such, he is contacted on mobile phone. He states that he had visited the office of D.C. today. He has been told that his complaint is pending with Lead Bank, Punjab National Bank, Fazilka and that his grievance will be redressed shortly. However, he has not been given any information and till date, only assurances are being given

5. The Bench observes that the appellant is being unnecessary subjected to harassment. The Bench directs the PIO O/o D.C. Fazilka as also the PIO Lead Bank, Punjab National Bank, Fazilka to bring along all the relevant official records on the next hearing and produce the same before the Bench.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Sukhdeep Singh (AEE)
S/o Shri Pritam Singh
Gali Arre Wali,
Tarn Taran.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Addl. Superintending
Engineer (Works),
Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.,
Tarn Taran.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Chief Engineer,
Border Zone,
Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No.3889 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Sukhdeep Singh, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Harpreet Singh, Executive Engineer, PSPCL Tarn Taran.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 06.07..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 04.08.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.12.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 03.03.2020 by the Commission through V.C. in D.C. Office, Tarn Taran. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through V.C. Shri Sukhdeep Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Harpreet Singh, Executive Engineer, PSPCL, Tarn Taran comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been provided to the appellant firstly on 15.07.2020 and again on 20.10.2020.
4. Shri Sukhdeep Singh, appellant states that he has received the information. However, the information on five points i.e. point No.3, 4, 5, 7 & 10 is still pending. The representative of the PIO states that he has discussed the matter with the appellant and that he will ensure to supply all the required information to the appellant shortly.



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5. The PIO is now directed to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, on inspection of the records, will identify the information required by him and the PIO will supply information as identified by the appellant, before the next hearing.

6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on a non judicial stamp paper in the instant appeal case duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.3889/2020 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
03.03.2021**

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