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Sh. Hardev Singh
S/o Sh.Bikkar Singh
R/o St. No.3, Kishanpura Basti,
Jujhar Nagar, Sangrur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority-cum-,
State Transport Commissioner, Pb.
Sector-17B, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No.4076/2019

Present: (i) **Shri Hardev Singh, Appellant.**
(ii) **Sh.Gurcharan Singh Sandhu, Assistant Transport Officer,
Sangrur,PIO.**

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Sangrur. Shri Hardev Singh, Appellant comes present and states that he visited the office of PIO and he has been supplied only partial information out of the information identified by him.
3. Shri Gurcharan Singh Sandhu, Assistant Transport Officer, Sangrur/PIO comes present and commits that balance of information will also be made available.
4. The appellant is again advised to visit the office of PIO on 16.06.2020. The PIO is directed to provide him the balance information as the appellant may point out at the time of his visit.
5. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public to the effect that complete information in Appeal Case No. 4076/2019 has been supplied. Nothing has been concealed therein.

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The same be filed within a week's time after supplying the information to the appellant.

6. With the above directions, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

**Chandigarh
03.06.2020**

Sd/-
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Smt. Daljit Kaur W/o Late Sh.Baldev Singh
Buttar –Dhulkot Road,
Darshan Nagar, Ahmedgarh,
District Sangrur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Ahmedgarh,
District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies, Patiala.

...Respondents

AC No.4077/2019

Present:

- (i) Shri Sukhdeep Singh Butter, on behalf of the Appellant
- (ii) Shri Lal Singh, Junior.Engineer O/o Municipal Council, Ahmedgarh,
District Sangrur, on behalf of PIO.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing.

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.02.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Sangarur. Shri Sukhdeep Singh comes present on behalf of the appellant and states that the information regarding point No.3 has yet not been provided.
3. On the asking of the Bench, Shri Lal Singh, Junior Engineer who comes present on behalf of the PIO and hands over the cheque of Rs.5000/- on account of compensation, to the representative of the appellant. He further states that the information Regarding Point No.3 is not available with their office.
4. The PIO is directed to now file an affidavit to the effect that complete information as available in the official records in AC No.4077 of 2019, has been provided. The information on Point No.3 is not held with their office. The above statement is correct and nothing has been concealed therein. The affidavit must be signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public. Affidavit must be filed within a week with a photocopy to the appellant.

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AC No.4077/2019

5. With the directions, **the Appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Ravi Kumar S/o Sh.Dharminder Kumar
R/o House .No.107,
Near Santpur Gurdwara Sahib.
Patiala Gate, Sangrur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No.858/2020

Present:

- (i) Shri Ravi Kumar, Appellant
- (ii) Shri Gurcharan Singh, Asstt. Transport Officer, Sangrur/ PIO.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 03.10.2019 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 25.11.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.02.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 03.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Sangrur.
3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Sangrur. The appellant Shri Ravi Kumar comes present and states that no information has been supplied to him.
4. Shri Gurcharan Singh, Assistant Transport Officer, O/o RTA Sangrur comes present. He states that no RTI application of the appellant has been received by them. The appellant hands over a copy of the RTI application to him. The PIO after examining the RTI application states that information sought is available on the website of the department. The bench then directed the PIO to share the link of the website with the appellant and also provide a hard copy of the information sought, before the next date of hearing.

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5. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Sangrur.** Copies of the orders be sent to the parties concerned.

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Sh. Manjinder Singh
R/o #2469, Sunny Enclave
Sector-125, Kharar,
District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.4169 of 2019

Present: (i) **Sh.Manjinder Singh, Appellant in person.**
(ii) **Sh.Manish Kumar, Section Officer, O/o RTA Bathinda/PIO**

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The order may be read with reference to the order dated 25.02.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard through Video Conferencing facility at Bathinda. The appellant Sh.Manjinder Singh comes present in person at Commission's office at Chandigarh. He states that he has not been supplied any information.
3. Shri Manish Kumar, PIO states that the information sought by the appellant relates to a Private company from whom the information can be obtained directly by the appellant.
4. The Bench does not agree with the contention of the PIO and observes that information sought pertains both to Public Authority as well as private company. Information relating to Public authority must be made available, before the next hearing.

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AC No.4169/2019

5. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. at D.C. Office, Bathinda.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sector-125, Kharar,
District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.654 of 2020

Present: (i) Sh.Manjinder Singh, Appellant in person.
(ii) Sh.Manish Kumar, Section Officer, O/o RTA Bathinda/PIO

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard through Video Conferencing facility at Bathinda. The appellant Sh.Manjinder Singh comes present in person at Commission's office at Chandigarh. He states that he has not been supplied any information.
3. Shri Manish Kumar, PIO comes present. He refers to a letter dated 06.11.2019 vide which the information has purportedly been supplied to the appellant. The appellant denies having received such information.
4. The Bench does not agree with the contention of the PIO and directs the PIO to supply the information to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

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AC No.654/2020

5. The PIO is directed to file reply to the show cause notice in the form of affidavit for not providing the information to the appellant within the stipulated time.

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. at D.C. Office, Bathinda.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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R/o #2469, Sunny Enclave
Sector-125, Kharar,
District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.947 of 2020

Present: (i) **Sh.Manjinder Singh, Appellant in person.**
(ii) **Sh.Manish Kumar, Section Officer, O/o RTA Bathinda/PIO**

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1.. The RTI application is dated 27.11.2019 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 08.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 03.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Bathinda.

3. The case has been heard through Video Conferencing facility at Bathinda. The appellant Sh.Manjinder Singh comes present in person at Commission's office at Chandigarh. He states that he has not been supplied any information.

4. Shri Manish Kumar, PIO comes present. He states that RTI application of the appellant has not been received in their office.

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AC No.947/2020

5. The appellant is advised to send a copy of the RTI application to the PIO by registered post. On receipt of RTI application, the PIO is directed to supply the entire information to the appellant.

6 With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. at D.C. Office, Bathinda.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
03.06.2020**

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Sh. Janak Raj S/o Sh.Jiwan Ram,
Shakti Nagar, St. No.1 Goniana Mandi
District Bathinda.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Goniana Mandi, Distt. Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Local Government
Plot No.3, Sector-35A,
Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No.3971/2019

Present: (i) **Sh.Janak Raj, Appellant.**
(ii) **Sh. Deepak Setia, Accountant-cum-APIO, Municipal Council,
Goniana, District Bathinda/PIO.**

Heard through video conferencing

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.02.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The Appellant Sh. Janak Raj comes present and also Shri Deepak Setia, Accountant-cum-APIO comes present on behalf of the PIO.
3. The APIO hands over the cheque of compensation for Rs.3000/- (Rupees three thousand only) awarded to the appellant. The APIO also states that complete information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 29.05.2020. He also shows the acknowledgement given by the appellant for the same. The Bench directs that copy of the receipt of compensation and information by the appellant be sent to the Commission.
4. In view of the above, no cause of action is left. **The appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be given to the parties.

Chandigarh
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Sh. Harmit Singh Sidhu,
S/o Sh.Sher Singh
C/o Baba Kala Finance Company,
Near Truck Union, Phul Road,
Rampura Phul, Distt. Bathinda.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
Commissioner, Faridkot Division,
Faridkot.

...Respondents

AC No.4051/2019

Present: (i), **Shri Harmit Singh Sidhu, Appellant.**
(ii) **Smt. Surinderpal Kaur, Junior Assistant on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.02.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The appellant comes present in the hearing through V.C. in the office of D.C. Bathinda. He states that no information has been provided to him so far.
3. Smt. Surinderpal Kaur, Junior Assistant O/o D.C. Bathinda comes present on behalf of the PIO. On the asking of the Bench as to why information has not been supplied, she states that the information has to be provided by getting the same from another Branch. As such, she seeks additional time to provide the same.
4. From the perusal of the file, the Bench observes that on the previous date of hearing, the PIO's request for giving time was accepted as one time measure. In spite of the same no action has been taken on the directions of the Commission.
5. Now giving last opportunity, the PIO is directed to supply the entire information, before the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.

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AC No.4051/2019

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Bathinda.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Manjinder Singh
R/o #2469, Sunny Enclave
Sector-125, Kharar,
District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozpur.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.655 of 2020

Present: (i) **Sh.Manjinder Singh, Appellant in person.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO**

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.03.2020 passed by the Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard through Video Conferencing facility at Ferozpur. The appellant Sh.Manjinder Singh comes present in person at Commission's office at Chandigarh. He states that he has not been supplied any information.
3. Nobody has come present on behalf of the PIO nor any information has been supplied to the appellant in spite of the Bench's direction on the last date of hearing. It is observed that the PIO is unnecessarily delaying the supply of information to the appellant.
4. The PIO is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and to explain as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for the inordinate delay in supply of information to the appellant and for not abiding by the directions given by the Commission. He 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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AC No.655/2020

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 PIO is also directed to supply the relevant information duly authenticated by the PIO before the next date of hearing.

7. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through Video Conferencing in the office of D.C. Ferozpur**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh.Parvinder Singh
S/o Sh.Darshan Singh
Vill. Illme Wala PO Sudh Singh Wala,
Tehsil & District Ferozepur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o General Manager,
Punjab Roadways,
Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Director, State Transport, Pb.
Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.996 of 2020

Present:

- (i) Appellant is Absent.
- (ii) Ms. Navpreet Kaur, Clerk, O/o G.M. Punjab Roadways, Ferozepur
On behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 29.10.2019 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 14.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 04.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 03.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ferozepur.
3. The case has been heard today through V.C. at Ferozepur. The appellant is absent and no intimation has been received from him.
4. Ms. Navpreet Kaur, Clerk O/o G.M. Punjab Roadways, Ferozepur comes present on behalf of the PIO. She states that a letter was written to the appellant to deposit Rs.2/- as fee for the supply of information and since, the money was not deposited by him, the information has not been given.

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AC No.996/2020

5. The Bench took a serious note of the delay in addressing the RTI application and directed the PIO to supply the information to the appellant free of cost before the next hearing.

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ferozepur**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

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03.06.2020**

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Sh.Parvinder Singh
S/o Sh.Darshan Singh
Vill. Illme Wala PO Sudh Singh Wala,
Tehsil & District Ferozepur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o General Manager,
Punjab Roadways,
Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Director, State Transport, Pb.
Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.1007 of 2020

Present:

- (i) Appellant is Absent.
- (ii) Ms. Navpreet Kaur, Clerk, O/o G.M. Punjab Roadways, Ferozepur
On behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 29.10.2019 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 14.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 04.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 03.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ferozepur.
3. The case has been heard today through V.C. at Ferozepur. The appellant is absent and no intimation has been received from him.
4. Ms. Navpreet Kaur, Clerk O/o G.M. Punjab Roadways, Ferozepur comes present on behalf of the PIO. She states that a letter was written to the appellant to deposit Rs.62/- as fee for the supply of information and since, the money was not deposited by him, the information has not been given.

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AC No.1007/2020

5. The Bench took a serious note of the delay in addressing the RTI application and directed the PIO to supply the information to the appellant free of cost before the next hearing.

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ferozepur. Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

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Sh.Naveen Batra
S/o Sh.Adarsh Kumar Batra,
R/o H.No.3267/1, Sector-40D,
Chandigarh.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Council,
Nangal, Distt. Rupnagar.

....Respondent

CC No.185 of 2020

Present: (i) Shri Naveen Batra, Complainant in person.
(ii) Shri Bhupinder Singh, Junior Engineer, M.C. Nangal
on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 20.11.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. the appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.02.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 03.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C.Rupnagar.
3. The case has been heard today through V.C. at Rupnagar. The complainant comes present in person before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. He states that no information has been received by him.
4. Shri Bhupinder Singh, Junior Engineer O/o Executive Officer, M.C. Nangal comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been sent vide letter dated 06.02.2020 to the complainant.
5. On perusal of the file, the Bench observes that a copy of the same is available in the file with letter dated 19.03.2020 addressed to the Bench. A photocopy of the same is handed over to the complainant during the hearing.

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CC No.185/2020

6. On going through the copy of information handed over to the complainant, he expresses his satisfaction over the information supplied.
7. PIO is also directed to send a copy of the said information to the complainant by registered post.
8. With the above directions, **the complaint is disposed off and closed.**
Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

**Chandigarh
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Sh.Tilak Raj, Retd. Lecturer ,
Village Tanda Churian,
PO Chanour, Tehsil Mukerian
District Hoshiarpur.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o District Education Officer(SE),
Mini Secretariat, Hoshiarpur.

....Respondent

CC No.961 of 2019

Present: (i) Sh.Tilak Raj, complainant is absent.
(ii) None on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.03.2020 passed by the Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through V.C. at Hoshairpur. The complainant is absent. As such, he was contacted on phone to enquire the position regarding receipt of information by him. He has informed the Bench on phone that he has not received any information.
3. None has appeared on behalf of the PIO. However, a letter dated 23.03.2020 has been received in the Commission through e.mail. PIO states that no RTI application from of the complainant has been received by them due to which no information could be supplied to him.
4. The complainant is advised to send a copy of the RTI application to the PIO by registered post. However, a copy of the RTI application will also be sent along with the orders.
5. From the perusal of the case file, it is observed that no reply has been given by the PIO to the show cause notice issued vide order dated 24.02.2020 passed by this

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Bench. The PIO is directed to ensure filing of reply to the show cause notice in the form of affidavit before the next date of hearing. He is also directed to supply the information to the complainant on receipt of RTI application.

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Hoshiarpur.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh
03.06.2020**

**(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**