

Sh Mohit Bindra, H No-654, Sector-8, Panchkula.

Versus

... Complainant

Public Information Officer, O/o XEN, GMADA, C-1, Sector-62, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority, GMADA, Sector-62, Mohali

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2649 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Mohan Bindra as the Appellant None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 06.03.2019 has sought information on 11 points regarding repair work of sector 78, Mohali and repair of internal roads in sector 80 Moali and other information concerning the office of Xen, GMADA-C-1, Mohali. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 01.05.2019 after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 02.05.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

The appellant informed that in response to the PIO's letter dated 01.05.2019, he has already specified the information vide letter dated 02.05.2019, but the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent is absent. The PIO is directed to provide the information as per the RTI application and send a compliance report to the Commission.

To come up for further hearing on 27.11.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Chandigarh Dated 03.09.2019



Sh Deepak Khurana S/o Sh Girdhari Lal, H No-264, Street No-16, Nai Abadi, Chotti pori, Abohar, Distt Fazilka.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o President, Bar Association, Court Complex, Abohar, Distt Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Secretary, Bar Council, Punjab & Haryana, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3712 of 2018

Present: None for the Appellant None for the Respondent

Order: The case was first heard on **06.02.2019.** The respondent present from the office of Bar Council, Punjab & Haryana Chandigarh claimed that the information did not relate to them as the information has been sought from Bar Association Abohar and the Bar Council has nothing to do with it. The respondent further informed that the Bar Council is also not a First Appellate Authority and they have inadvertently been made a party to this case by the appellant. The respondent is directed to give this in writing.

Neither the appellant nor anyone from the Bar Association was present. The case was adjourned.

The case was again heard on **25.03.2019.** The appellant claimed that no information has been provided. The respondent present from the office of Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana submitted a reply that the information is not related with the Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana and that each and every Bar Associations have their own constitution and are fully independent body. The respondent further pleaded that the Bar Council is also not the First Appellate Authority of the Bar Association. The reply was accepted and the Bar Council was exempted.

The respondent from Bar Association Abohar was absent on 2nd consecutive hearing and nor provided the information. The PIO, Bar Association Abohar was issued a **show cause notice u/s 20 of the RTI Act and** directed to file reply on an affidavit and If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO was directed to inform such persons of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The PIO-Bar Association Aboha was again directed to provide the information to the appellant within 10 days. The PIO of the Bar Association was also directed to clarify that which is the appropriate First Appellate Authority in this case.

Appeal Case No. 3712 of 2018

The case was again came up for hearing on **21.05.2019.** The appellant claimed that no information has been provided by the PIO. The respondent from Bar Association Abohar was absent nor sent any reply to the show cause notice. The PIO-Bar Association, Abohar was given one last opportunity to provide the information to the appellant and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith the reply to the show cause on an affidavit, otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take a view that the respondent has nothing to say on the matter and adjudicate the matter as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The case was last heard on **23.07.2019.** The appellant informed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent was absent.

The President, Bar Association Abohar was impleaded in the case and directed to file a reply in the ongoing case.

Hearing dated 03.09.2019:

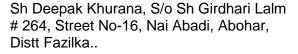
Since both the parties are absent, in the interest of justice, one more opportunity is granted and the case is adjourned.

To come up for further hearing on **03.12.2019 at 11.00 AM**.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 03.09.2019 (Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

Note:Sh.Deepak Khurana, appellant appeared late. He was informed that the case stands adjourned.



... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o President, Bar Association, court Complex, Abohar, Distt Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Secretary, Bar Council, Punjab & Haryana, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3738 of 2018

Present: None for the Appellant None for the Respondent

Order:

The case was first heard on **06.02.2019.** The respondent present from the office of Bar Council, Punjab & Haryana Chandigarh claimed that the information did not relate to them as the information has been sought from Bar Association Abohar and the Bar Council has nothing to do with it. The respondent further informed that the Bar Council is also not a First Appellate Authority and they have inadvertently been made a party to this case by the appellant. The respondent was directed to give this in writing.

Neither the appellant nor anyone from the Bar Association was present. The case was adjourned.

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The respondent from Bar Association Abohar was absent on 2nd consecutive hearing and nor had provided the information. The PIO Bar Association, Abohar was issued a show cause notice **under Section 20 of the RTI Act and** directed to file reply on an affidavit. If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such persons of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The PIO-Bar Association Abohar was again directed to provide the information to the appellant within 10 days. The PIO of the Bar Association was also directed to clarify that which is the appropriate First Appellate Authority in this case.

Appeal Case No. 3738 of 2018

The case was further heard on **21.05.2019.** The appellant claimed that no information has been provided by the PIO. The respondent from Bar Association Abohar was absent nor had sent any reply to the show cause notice. The PIO-Bar Association, Abohar was given one last opportunity to provide the information to the appellant and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith the reply to the show cause on an affidavit, otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take a view that the respondent has nothing to say on the matter and adjudicate the matter as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The case was last heard on **23.07.2019**. The appellant informed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent was absent. The President, Bar Association Abohar was impleaded in the case and directed to file a reply in the ongoing case.

Hearing dated 03.09.2019:

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Chandigarh Dated: 03.09.2019 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

Note:Sh.Deepak Khurana, appellant appeared late. He was informed that the case stands adjourned.

Point Point Contraction

through registered post.

Sh. Naresh Kumar, H No-2795, Street No-3, Jammu colony, Ludhiana.

Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Deputy Chief engineer, Operational Urban (West) Division, PSPCL, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chief Engineer, Central Zone, PSPCL, Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3249 of 2018

The case was fixed for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.** However, due to internet problem, the hearing cannot take place and the case is adjourned. The earlier order stands.

To come up for further hearing on **28.11.2019 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner**, Ludhiana. Copies of the order be sent to both the parties **through registered post**.

Chandigarh Dated: 03.09.2019 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

CC to :1. PIO-SHO, Police Station, Daresi, Ludhiana.

2. Senior Superintendent of Police Ludhiana.

Sh. Harjit Singh, S/o ShTarsem Singh, R/o Rose Avenue Chamiari Road, Ajnala, Distt Amritsar.

... Appellant

PSIC

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Addl, SE, Operational, PSPCL, Division, Ajnala, Distt Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Chief Engineer, Border Zone, Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 909 of 2019

The case was fixed for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner**, **Amritsar**. However, due to internet problem, the hearing cannot take place and the case is adjourned. The earlier order stands.

To come up for further hearing on **28.11.2019 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner**, **Amritsar**. The copies of the order be sent to both the parties through registered post.

Chandigarh Dated 03.09.2019



Registered post

Sh.Rajinder Kumar, Q No-35-L, I.T.I Staff Colony, Talwara

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, SDO, PSPCL, Sub Division, Haryana, Distt.Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority,

SDO, PSPCL, Sub Division, Haryana, DisttHoshiarpur.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3594 of 2018

The case was fixed for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner**, **Hoshiarpur**. However, due to internet problem, the hearing cannot take place and the case is adjourned. The earlier order stands.

To come up for further hearing on **28.11.2019 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the **office of DC Hoshiarpur**. The copies of the order be sent to both the parties **through registered post**.

Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh Dated: 03.09.2019

CC to Sh.Baljinder Singh S/o Sh.Hari Singh Saini, Village Bassi Mudda, P.O.Baghpur,(Hoshiarpur)



through registered post.

Sh. Simranjit Singh, S/o Sh Jagdisth Singh, # 93/2, Adarsh Nagar, Jalandhar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 653 of 2019

The case was fixed for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner**, **Jalandhar**. However, due to internet problem, the hearing cannot take place and the case is adjourned. The earlier order stands.

To come up for further hearing on **28.11.2019 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar. The orders be sent to both the parties **through registered post**.

Chandigarh Dated 03.09.2019



Registered post.

Sh.Simranjit Singh, S/o ShJagdish Singh, # 93/2,Adarsh Nagar, Jalandhar

Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3673 of 2018

The case was fixed for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar.** However, due to internet problem, the hearing cannot take place and the case is adjourned. The earlier order stands.

To come up for further hearing on **28.11.2019 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar Copies of the order be sent to the parties *through registered post*.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 03.09.2019

Sh. Sharvan Kumar, VPO Kular, Tehsil Abohar, Distt.Fazilka. The PSiC Use

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... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o DC, Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority, O/o DC, Fazilka.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 742 of 2019

The case was fixed for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka.** However, due to internet problem, the hearing cannot take place and the case is adjourned. The earlier order stands.

To come up for further hearing on **28.11.2019 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of **Deputy Commissioner**, **Fazilka**. The order be sent to both the parties through registered post.

Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh Dated 03.09.2019



Sh Thakar Dass, S/o Sh Guranditta Mal, R/o Village Diwan Khera, Tehsil Abohar, Distt Fazilka..

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o SDM, Abohar, Distt Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority, O/o DC, Fazilka.

...Respondent

Appellant Case No. 3474 of 2018

Present: None for the Appellant Sh.Ram Rattan, Suptd.-cum-PIO O/o SDM Abohar for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case was first heard on **09.01.2019.** The respondent present brought some information and handed over to the appellant. The appellant received the same. The respondent further pleaded that the remaining information shall be provided to the appellant. The appellant pleaded that he had filed RTI application in the month of April whereas the respondent is providing the information after a delay of 9 months.

The PIO was directed to explain the reasons for delay in providing the information on an affidavit. If there is any other official involved in the delay, that person to appear and explain the reasons.

The case was again heard on **27.02.2019** through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka. The respondent present pleaded that the information has already been provided to the appellant during the last hearing. The respondent further informed that as per order of the Commission, remaining information was sent to the appellant vide letter dated 11.01.2019. The appellant was not satisfied with the information. The appellant further informed that the information has been provided after a period of 9 months.

Having gone through the record, the Commission found that the RTI application has been replied to the best possible extent. However, the Commission observed that there has been an enormous delay of nine months in providing the information, the PIO-SDM Abohar was issued a **show cause notice and the** PIO was directed to file reply on an affidavit.

The case was last heard on **06.05.2019**. The respondent was absent vide email sought adjournment being on election duty. The case was adjourned.

The case was last heard on **02.07.2019.** The respondent present informed that the information has been provided to the appellant.

Appellant Case No. 3474 of 2018

Regarding delay in providing the information, the respondent pleaded that the RTI application was marked to the concerned clerk Sh.Bhupinder Singh on 23.04.2018 for providing the information and again asked vide letters dated 14.05.2018 & 26.07.2018 for taking necessary action and to provide the information to the appellant. However, since he took no action on the RTI application, the information was delayed. After conducting an enquiry, action has been taken against Sh.Bhupinder Singh and he has been transferred and charge sheeted.

The PIO however, had not brought any appropriate reply to the show cause. The PIO was given one more opportunity to file an appropriate reply to the show cause notice on an affidavit and be present on the next date of hearing.

Hearing dated 03.09.2019:

The case was fixed for hearing today through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka.

Sh.Ram Rattan, Suptd.-cum-PIO O/o SDM Abohar has appeared at Chandigarh and submitted reply regarding delay in providing the information, which is taken on the file of the Commission.

The respondent has also submitted a letter from the appellant whereby the appellant has stated that he has received the information and is satisfied. In the same letter, the appellant has requested that the appeal case may be filed.

The Commission has considered the reply of the PIO as well as the letter of the appellant, and finds that this case needs no further perusal.

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

Chandigarh Dated: 03.09.2019



Sh Thakar Dass, S/o Sh Guranditta Mal, R/o Village Diwan Khera, Tehsil Abohar, Distt Fazilka..

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o SDM, Abohar, Distt Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority, O/o DC, Fazilka.

...Respondent

Appellant Case No. 3475 of 2018

Present: None for the Appellant Sh.Ram Rattan, Suptd.-cum-PIO O/o SDM Abohar for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case was first heard on **09.01.2019.** The respondent present brought some information and handed over to the appellant. The appellant received the same. The respondent further pleaded that the remaining information shall be provided to the appellant. The appellant pleaded that he had filed RTI application in the month of April whereas the respondent is providing the information after a delay of 9 months.

The PIO was directed to explain the reasons for delay in providing the information on an affidavit

The case was last heard on **27.02.2019** through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka. The respondent present pleaded that the information has already been provided to the appellant during the last hearing. The appellant was not satisfied and informed that the PIO vide his letter dated 18.10.2018 had denied the information stating that the information sought was in question form. The appellant further informed that the information has been provided after a period of 9 months.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the Commission found that the RTI application had been replied to the best possible extent. However, the Commission observed that there had been enormous delay of nine months in providing the information. The PIO-SDM Abohar was issued a **show cause notice and the** PIO was directed to file an affidavit in this regard

The case was again heard on **06.05.2019.** The respondent was absent and vide email sought adjournment being on election duty. The case was adjourned. The PIO was directed to comply with the earlier order which still stands.

The case was last heard on **02.07.2019.** The respondent present informed that the information has been provided to the appellant.

Appellant Case No. 3475 of 2018

Regarding delay in providing the information, the respondent pleaded that the RTI application was marked to the concerned clerk Sh.Bhupinder Singh on 23.04.2018 for providing the information and again asked vide letters dated 14.05.2018 & 26.07.2018 for taking necessary action and to provide the information to the appellant. However, since he took no action on the RTI application, the information was delayed. After conducting an enquiry, action has been taken against Sh.Bhupinder Singh and he has been transferred and charge sheeted.

The PIO however, had not brought any appropriate reply to the show cause. The PIO was given one more opportunity to file an appropriate reply to the show cause notice on an affidavit and be present on the next date of hearing.

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The Commission has considered the reply of the PIO as well as the letter of the appellant, and finds that this case needs no further perusal.

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