



Sh. Sukhdev Singh,
Village Chahal, P.O Bhadson,
Tehsil Nabha, Distt Patiala.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o NaibTehsildar, Bhadson,
Tehsil & Distt Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Nabha,
Distt. Patiala.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2882 of 2020

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 18.06.2020 has sought information regarding notices issued for demarcation fixed on 17.06.2020, 09.09.2019 & 20.07.2018 to the persons responsible for unauthorized encroachment of panchayat land as per the order of DC Patiala for getting the panchayat land vacated and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Naib Tehsildar Bhadson, Distt. Patiala. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 22.07.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 23.03.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent present pleaded that the notice dated 17.06.2020 & 20.07.2018 was marked by the DC Patiala to the Kanoongo and the report received from Kanoongo, was sent to BDPO, and the reply was sent to the appellant. The respondent further informed that the information presently is in the custody of BDPO Nabha.

The BDPO Nabha was absent.

Since there had been an enormous delay in providing the information and dilly-dallying regarding the custody of the information, the Commission appointed the SDM, Nabha as the deemed PIO in this case.

SDM, Nabha was directed to procure the information from whoever has the custody of the sought information and provide the same as per the RTI Act.

On the date of the next hearing on **09.06.2021**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information.

SDM Nabha who was made deemed PIO under section 5 (5) of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to procure the information from the concerned authority and provide the same to the appellant, was absent nor had sent any communication.

There has been an enormous delay in providing the information. The PIO-SDM, Nabha was given one last opportunity to procure the information from the authority under whose custody the information lies, and provide it to the appellant as per the RTI Act otherwise the Commission will be constrained to initiate action under the provisions of section 20 of the RTI Act.

On the date of the last hearing on **28.09.2021**, as per the appellant, the information was not supplied by the PIO.

The respondent present from the office of Naib Tehsildar, Bhadson informed that he appeared on the order of SDM office but he did not bring the sought information,

At the last hearing, SDM-Nabha was made deemed PIO under section 5 (5) of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to procure the information from the authority under whose custody the information lies and provide to the appellant.

The PIO-SDM Nabha was absent and had passed on the buck to provide information to some other officer, which prima-facie was a violation of the Commission's order whereby the SDM had been made the deemed PIO. The PIO-SDM Nabha was given one last opportunity to comply with the earlier order of the commission and procure the information from the custody of the concerned authority and provide it to the appellant within 10 days otherwise the commission will be constrained to issue show cause notice under section 20 of the RTI Act and take action accordingly.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. Due to the non-presence of staff in the DC office Patiala because of the farmers' protest, the hearing could not take place.

The appellant vide email has informed that he has received the information but with a delay of more than 16 months and has pleaded for action against the PIO under the provisions of the RTI Act.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **19.04.2022 at 11.00 AM** through a video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

Chandigarh
Dated 04.01.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

CC to: 1. BDPO-Nabha

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Smt. Harjit Kaur, W/o Sh. Gurdeep Singh,
H No-107, Ward No-2, Anaj Mandi,
Kurali, Distt Mohali.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDE, Water Supply and Sanitation
Department, Bassi Pathana,
Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o XEN,
Water Supply and Sanitation Division,
Fatehgarh Sahib.

... Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3104 of 2020

Present: Smt. Harjit Kaur as the Appellant
Sh. Fazarveer Singh, JE for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 20.02.2020 has sought information regarding the joining date of JE Krishan Lal in Fatehgarh Sahib – a copy of bills of contractor Ajmer Singh Book No.01.06.15 to 31.10.2015 – a copy of bill book of contractor Davinder Singh, Randhir Singh – a copy of bill book of contractor Amandeep Singh and other information as enumerated in the RTI application, concerning the office of SDE Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Bassi Pathana. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO vide letter dated 28.02.2020 & 17.03.2020 after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 10.07.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 03.03.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 28.02.2020 and 17.03.2020. The appellant claimed that the PIO had denied the information stating that the information is 3rd party and the 3rd party has not given its consent to disclose the information.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the Commission over-ruled the stance of the PIO that the information is the third party because what the appellant is seeking is a record of the bills used from the public exchequer. The PIO was directed to provide information on all points to the appellant. The information be provided within 15 days of the receipt of the order with a copy to the Commission.

On the date of the next hearing on **09.06.2021**, as per the appellant, the information was not provided by the PIO.

The respondent pleaded that the information was to be collected from different departments, and since only 50% of the staff was allowed in the offices due to the Corona pandemic, complete information could not be collected on time. The respondent, however, had assured to provide complete information within 15 days.

The PIO was directed to comply with the earlier order of the Commission and provide complete information to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

On the date of last hearing on **28.09.2021**, the appellant informed that the PIO has supplied some of the information vide letter dated 12.08.2021 which was incomplete since the PIO had not supplied the bills of the contractors.

The PIO was absent.

As per the respondent, no further information was available in the record.

The PIO was directed to file a point-wise reply on an affidavit stating that whatever information that has been provided is complete, true and no further information is available on record. The PIO to appear personally before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. The respondent present pleaded that since some of the record was not traceable, complete information was not supplied. Now they have traced out the record and assured to provide the remaining information to the appellant.

The PIO is directed to reconcile the case and provide the remaining information to the appellant as per the RTI application within 15 days of the receipt of the order and send a compliance report to the Commission.

To come up for compliance on **09.05.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.

Chandigarh
Dated 04.01.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Jaspal Singh S/o Sh Surjit Singh,
H No-157, Street NO-8-A,
Manjit Nagar, Bhadson Road,
Patiala.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DC,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DC,
Patiala.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3447 of 2020

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 27.07.2020 has sought information regarding forms A, B, C, D deposited by unaided school u/s 3(2) of Punjab Regulation of fee of unaided educational Institutions Act 2016 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of DC Patiala. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of PIO dated 24.08.2020 after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 31.08.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 28.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent without intimation.

Having gone through the RTI application, the PIO was directed to provide whatever information is available in the record relating to points-2 to point-6. The decision on point-1 will be taken on the next date of hearing.

On the date of the last hearing on **28.09.2021**, due to a technical fault in the VC, the hearing could not take place. The case was adjourned.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. Due to the non-presence of the staff in the DC Office Patiala because of farmers' protest the hearing could not take place.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **19.04.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

Chandigarh
Dated: 04.01.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh. Yogesh Mahajan, S/o Sh. Kuldeep Raj Mahajan,
Opposite Water Tank, Municipal Market,
Mission Road, Pathankot.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o XEN,
Water Supply and Sanitation Division-1,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SE,
Water Supply and Sanitation Circle,
Patiala.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3468 of 2020

PRESENT: None for the Appellant

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 01.08.2020 has sought information regarding comparative statements approved by competent authority for works under e-tendering from 01.08.2019 to 01.08/2020 and by tender works – sanction letter for work of CSR to all SDE and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Xen Water Supply and Sanitation Division No.1, Patiala. The appellant was not provided with the information after the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 10.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 28.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. Both the parties were absent.

The case was adjourned. The appellant was directed to appear personally at the VC site for the pursuance of this case.

On the date of last hearing on **28.09.2021**, due to a technical fault in the VC, the hearing could not take place. The case was adjourned.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Patiala/Pathankot. The appellant is absent.

Due to the non-presence of the staff in the DC office Patiala due to farmers' protest, the hearing could not take place.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **19.04.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala. The appellant to appear through VC at DAC Pathankot.

Chandigarh
Dated: 04.01.2022

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Sh. Jaspreet Singh,
2041/5, Lahill Colony,
Patiala .

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Controller,
Food Supplies and Consumer Affairs,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs,
Pb, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3532 of 2020

ORDER:

The case was first heard on 23.03.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent present pleaded that they received the RTI application from the appellant on 18.06.2020 and since the information is voluminous and was to be called from different branches, after calling the details of information, the appellant was asked to vide letter dated 06.07.2020 to deposit the requisite fee of Rs.30000/- which the appellant did not deposit.

The respondent further informed that some of the information regarding points 3 & 6 relates to 3rd parties since the appellant has asked for complete files of the shellers in the area which includes personal information of the owners of the rice shellers.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the appellant was directed to inspect the record by visiting the office of the PIO on 05.04.2021 at 12.00 Noon and get the relevant information after depositing the requisite fee as per the RTI Act. The PIO was directed to allow inspection of the record and provide the relevant information to the appellant except for information on points 3 & 6, the decision on which will be taken at the next date of hearing.

On the date of the hearing on **09.06.2021**, the appellant informed that he visited the office of the PIO on 05.04.2021 but could inspect only 3 Registers out of 38 Registers and concerned files. The appellant stated that since the information is voluminous, he needs 15 continuous days to inspect the file and specify the information.

The case was adjourned.

On the date of the last hearing on **16.08.2021**, the appellant reiterated his plea that since the information is voluminous, he needs 15 days to inspect the record and specify the information.

The appellant was directed to file a written submission giving reasons that why this record is important for the appellant, and why should he be given rights to inspect the record for such a lengthy period, as prima facie it is evident that it will clearly divert the resources and hamper the functioning of the public authority.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. Due to the non-presence of the staff in the DC office Patiala due to the farmers' protest the hearing could not take place.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **19.04.2022 at 11.00 AM** through a video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

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Sh. Gorakha Singh, S/o ShChanan Singh,
R/o Village DallaRajputan,
Tehsil Ajnala, Distt Amritsar.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DFSO,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 41 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Complainant
Sh.Harjot Singh, Inspector for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case first came up for hearing on 05.05.2021. The complainant was absent.

As per record, there was no response of the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act and there has been an enormous delay in attending to the RTI application, the PIO was issued a **show-cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file reply on an affidavit.**

On the date of the next hearing on 27.07.2021, as per the respondent, the information had been provided to the complainant.

The PIO was absent due to some medical emergency. The Commission received a reply from the PIO through email which was taken on the file of the Commission.

In the reply, the PIO mentioned that the RTI application was sent to their distribution branch with the direction to provide the information. However, as per the report of the inspector distribution branch, the information was in the custody of Sh. Harjot Singh, Inspector Food Supply Ajnala, was directed to report and the reply was sent to the complainant vide letter dated 15.12.2020. However, despite letters and reminders, the concerned inspector did not supply the information. Due to this negligence, the concerned inspector has been issued a show-cause notice with a copy to Director Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Pb Chandigarh on 26.07.2021 for taking appropriate action against the concerned inspector.

The decision to be taken after hearing, Inspector Harjot Singh. Inspector Harjot Singh and the PIO were directed to be present at the next date of hearing.

On the date of the last hearing on **09.09.2021**, due to a technical fault in the VC, the hearing could not take place. The case was adjourned.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. Sh.Harjot Singh, Inspector is present and informed that the information has already been provided to the complainant.

The complainant is absent.

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At the last hearing, Sh.Harjit Singh, Inspector and the PIO were directed to be present at the next date of hearing.

The PIO is absent nor has filed a reply to the show-cause notice.

The PIO is given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show-cause notice otherwise it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say in the matter and the Commission will take the decision ex-parte.

To come up for further hearing on **09.05.2022 at 11.00 AM** through a video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated 04.01.2022

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Sh. Basant Singh,
H No-733, Phase-3B1,
Mohali.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SGPC,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Secretary,
SGPC, Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 55 of 2021

Present: **None for the Appellant**
 Sh.Simarjit Singh, PIO for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 01.07.2020 has sought the following information:

1. A copy of documents that entitle the SGPC for ownership, or any type of right on the basis of which SGPC tried to forcibly evict the persons in possession of land for the purpose of leasing of agriculture land measuring 161 acres.
2. Copy of title deeds/rights in favour of SGPC Amritsar
3. A copy of any court order to forcibly evict persons in possession of the said land
4. copy of any legal opinion from its legal advisor of SGPC how to get possession and do the subsequent lease
5. Resolution of the competent authority of SGPC authorising eviction of persons in possession as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SGPC Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the first appellate authority on 19.08.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

On the date of the first hearing on 05.05.2021, both the parties were absent, the case was adjourned. The PIO was directed to re-look at the RTI application and send a point-wise reply to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

On the date of the next hearing on **27.07.2021**, as per the appellant, the information was not supplied by the PIO.

The respondent was absent on 2nd consecutive hearing nor had complied with the order of the Commission. The PIO was issued a **show-cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file a reply on an affidavit.**

The PIO was again directed to provide information to the appellant within 10 days.

On the date of last hearing on **09.09.2021**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent present pleaded that the land was evicted as per due procedure and through the proper channel.

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Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the PIO was directed to provide the information on all points on the date of filing of the RTI application. The information be provided within 15 days of the receipt of the order.

The PIO had not filed a reply to the show-cause notice. The PIO was given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show-cause notice otherwise it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say in the matter and the decision will be taken ex-party.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The respondent present informed that the information has been supplied to the appellant.

The appellant is absent nor is represented.

The PIO has, however, not filed a reply to the show cause notice. The PIO is given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show-cause notice otherwise it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say in the matter and the decision will be taken ex-party.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **09.05.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated 04.01.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Dr. Gurcharan Singh,
Street No-3, Indra Basti,
Sangrur.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director (Education),
Shiromani Gurudwara Parbhandhak Committee,
6- Kalgidhar Niwas,
Sector-27-B, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Secretary,
SGPC, Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 737 of 2009

Present: None for the Appellant
Sh.Simarjit Singh-PIO for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant Dr.Gurbachan Singh through RTI application dated 27.07.2009 address to Director (Education) SGPC Chandigarh sought information on seven issues relating to the interviews conducted for the post of Director(Education) SGPC Chandigarh. Having failed to get the information, he approached the State Information Commission. Notice was issued to the PIO for his appearance before the Commission on 22.10.2009. Sh.Balwinder Singh O/o Director (Education)-SGPC Chandigarh and Sh. Simarjit Singh-GPA-SGPC Amritsar appeared on the date of the hearing. Sh. Balwinder Singh O/o Director(Education) SGPC Chandigarh submitted a written reply vide letter dated 27.10.2009 that the SGPC being a religious body manage the affairs of the Sikh Community through a board/trust and is not covered under the purview of RTI Act since it is not financed by the Government.

The stand of respondent No.2 however, was that the information would be supplied to the appellant, for which he sought time. The case was adjourned.

On the date of hearing on 04.12.2009, it was concluded that the information sought in the present case does not pertain to any religious affairs, but relates to the selection process of the teachers recruited by the Directorate of Education, SGPC, there were no reasons to withhold the information and the PIO was directed to supply the information within a period of 15 days.

On the next date of hearing 22.12.2009, the respondent SGPC moved an application for review/recall/ modification of order dated 04.12.2009 which was decided and dismissed vide order dated 27.01.2009 and the PIO was directed to ensure that the information is supplied to the complainant as per order dated 04.12.2009.

On the date of hearing on 18.02.2010, since the PIO did not comply with the order of the Commission, a **show-cause notice** was issued to the PIO for non-supply of information and for violation of an order of the Commission.

On the date of the next hearing on 15.03.2010, Sh.I.P.S. Kohli, advocate along with Sh. Simarjit Singh, GPA-cum-PIO appeared on behalf of the respondent and submitted a copy of the order passed by Hon'ble Shri K.Kannan of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court in CWP No.4082/2010, whereby an interim order for stay was granted by the High court. Since the stay was granted and the case was pending in the High Court, the case was adjourned Sine-die on 27.08.2014.

The Hon'ble High Court in its order dated 04.07.2019 passed the following order:

"..... The court does not find any illegality in the impugned order passed by the Commission calling for interference. There being no merit in these writ petitions, the same, therefore, stand dismissed."

The case last came up for hearing before this Bench on 09.09.2021.

Since the writ petition filed by the respondent in the High Court for quashing of the order dated 14.09.2009 passed by the Commission was dismissed by the Hon'ble High Court, the order of the Commission dated 04.12.2009 still stands to be complied with by the PIO-SGPC, Amritsar.

However, the commission was of the view that since the RTI application was filed by the complainant in the year 2009, the complainant if still interested in the information was to file a suitable reply and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing to pursue his case.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar/ Sangrur. The respondent present informed that they have filed LPA No.408/21 against the order of the Hon'ble High Court in CWP No.4082 which is fixed for hearing on 19.01.2022 and has sought adjournment.

The appellant is absent nor is represented.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **09.05.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar. The appellant to appear through VC at DAC Sangrur.

Chandigarh
Dated: 04.01.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh Harbir Singh,
Principal (Retd),
307, Charan Bagh,
Patiala.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Shiromani Gurudwara Parbhandhak Committee,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 2729 of 2009

Present: None for the Appellant
 Sh.Simarjit Singh-PIO for the Respondent

ORDER:

The complainant through RTI application dated 23.07.2009 sought information pertaining to the proceedings of the selection committee constituted for selection for the post of Director(Education) SGPC which had met on 25.09.2009. The information was not provided by the PIO within the statutory period, the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission and a notice was issued to the PIO O/o SGPC Amritsar who appeared on 22.10.2009 and submitted that the information will be furnished to the complainant within a period of 10 days. Thereafter, the PIO moved an application dated 02.11.2009 that the SGPC is not covered under the purview of the RTI Act since it is not financed by the Government.

On the date of hearing on 04.12.2009, it was concluded that the information sought in the present case does not pertain to any religious affairs, but relates to the selection process of the teachers recruited by the Directorate of Education, SGPC, there were no reasons to withhold the information and the PIO was directed to supply the information within a period of 15 days.

On the next date of hearing 22.12.2009, the respondent SGPC moved an application for review/recall/ modification of order dated 04.12.2009 which was decided and dismissed vide order dated 27.01.2009 and the PIO was directed to ensure that the information is supplied to the complainant as per order dated 04.12.2009.

On the date of hearing on 03.03.2010, since the PIO did not comply with the order of the Commission, a show-cause notice was issued to the PIO for non-supply of information and for violation of the order of the Commission.

On the date of the next hearing on 15.03.2010, Sh.I.P.S. Kohli, advocate along with Sh. Simarjit Singh, GPA-cum-PIO appeared on behalf of the respondent and submitted a copy of the order passed by Hon'ble Shri K.Kannan of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court in CWP No.4082/2010, whereby an interim order for stay was granted by the High court. Since the stay was granted and the case was pending in the High Court, the case was adjourned Sine-die on 27.08.2014.

Complaint Case No. 2729 of 2009

The Hon'ble High Court in its order dated 04.07.2019 has passed the following order:

“..... The court does not find any illegality in the impugned order passed by the Commission calling for interference. There being no merit in these writ petitions, the same, therefore, stand dismissed.”

The case came up for hearing last before this bench on 09.09.2021.

Since the writ petition filed by the respondent in the High Court for quashing of the order dated 14.09.2009 passed by the Commission stands dismissed by the Hon'ble High Court, the order of the Commission dated 04.12.2009 still stands to be complied with by the PIO-SGPC, Amritsar.

However, I am of the view that since the RTI application dates back to 2009, the complainant if still interested in the information, was directed to file a suitable reply and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing to pursue his case.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The respondent present informed that they have filed LPA No.408/21 against the order of the Hon'ble High Court in CWP No.4082 which is fixed for hearing on 19.01.2022 and has sought adjournment.

The complainant is absent nor is represented. The complainant vide letter received in the Commission has informed that being old, he cannot appear before the Commission.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **09.05.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

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Dated: 04.01.2022

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Tehsil Khamanoo, Distt Fatehgarh Sahib.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director of Education SGPC,
Bahadurgarh, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director of Education SGPC,
Bahadurgarh, Patiala.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1277 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Simarjit Singh on behalf of the PIO for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 03.12.2020 has sought information regarding recruitment of Assistant Professors (History) in Mata Gujri College Fatehgarh Sahib against advertisement No.306/2020 dated 04.09.2020 by SGPC Bahadurgarh Patiala and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Director of Education, SGPC Patiala. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 08.01.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 20.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent was absent. The PIO was directed to provide the information to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission. The PIO was also directed to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing along with an explanation for not attending to the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act.

On the date of last hearing on **14.09.2021**, both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. The respondent Sh.Simarjit Singh is present at Amritsar and informed that the information has already been sent to the appellant.

Because of the non-presence of the staff in the DC office Patiala due to farmers' protests, the appellant could not be heard.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **19.04.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala

Chandigarh
Dated : 04.01.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commission



Sh Sanjeev Kumar,
H No-14- A/29, Shivpuri, Mohalla,
Dhuri, Distt Sangrur.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sri Ganesh Mandir,
Chamber Bagh, Backside Mahavir Mandir,
Near Old Age Home, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Manager, Sri Ganesh Mandir,
Chamber Bagh, Backside Mahavir Mandir,
Near Old Age Home,
Dhuri, Distt Sangrur.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1409 of 2021

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 05.12.2020 has sought information regarding balance sheets relating to income and expenditure of Sri Ganesh Mandir for the last 10 years – funds received through donation along with receipts issued – expenses made along with expenditure bills – information relating to managing committee for last 10 years and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Manager Sri Ganesh Mandir Dhuri. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal on 06.01.2021.

The case last came up for hearing on 15.09.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Sangrur. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent, nor was represented.

The respondent was given one more opportunity to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing along with a written reply to this notice.

Hearing dated 04.01.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Sangrur. Because of the non-presence of the staff in the DC office Sangrur due to farmers' protests the hearing could not take place.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **09.05.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur.

Chandigarh
Dated: 04.01.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner