



Smt Rajwinder Kaur, W/o Sh Satpal Singh,  
Guru Nanak Mohalla Hajipur,  
Tehsil Mukerian, Distt Hoshiarpur.  
Corresponding Address  
Radha Swami Colony,  
Dasuya, Distt. Hoshiarpur.

... Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Hoshiarpur.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 800 of 2021**

**PRESENT:     None for the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The complainant through an RTI application dated 09.11.2020 has sought information regarding a copy of the registration number of page 342 of the birth register for the year 1998 relating to village Hazipur and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Civil Surgeon Hoshiarpur. The complainant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 16.02.2021 after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 21.06.2021.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Hoshiarpur. Both the parties are absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **10.05.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 05.01.2022**

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



Sh Harvinder Singh, S/o Sh Labh Singh,  
Baraich colony, Samana,  
Distt Patiala.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director,  
Health Deptt, Pb,  
Sector-34, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2677 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Harvinder Singh as the Appellant**  
**Dr.Sajila Khar DMC for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 02.03.2021 has sought a copy of the receipt of the letter under which the age certificate No.10/480 dated 19.04.2010 was deposited in the office of Civil Surgeon Patiala – a copy of dispatch register if the certificate was sent to other department and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Civil Surgeon Patiala. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 03.04.2021 which took no decision on the appeal. After filing the first appeal the PIO sent a reply on 27.04.2021 to which the appellant was not satisfied and filed 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission on 08.06.2021.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Patiala. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent present pleaded that due to the shifting of the office building, the record has been misplaced and the information cannot be provided.

The Commission makes it clear that simply writing that the record is missing is not acceptable until an enquiry is conducted and the enquiry report is submitted which established that the record is missing and the responsibility has been fixed for the person under whose custody the record found missing.

The Department is directed to conduct an enquiry into the matter by constituting a Committee. It is further directed to submit a complete enquiry report, which establishes that the record is missing and the responsibility has been fixed for the person/persons under whose custody the record went missing and appropriate action has been taken under the department rules.

To come up for further hearing on **06.04.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 05.01.2022**

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

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Sh Himanshu Raj, Advocate,  
C/o # 102, Sector-10-A,  
Chandigarh.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Real Estate Regulatory Authority,  
Sector-18, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Secretary,  
Real Estate Regulatory Authority,  
Sector-18, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 3446 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Ms Sapna Randhawa for the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 14.04.2021 has sought a copy of the complete file pertaining to a circular dated 05.03.2021 – notings pertaining to seeking legal opinion from Raju Ramachandran Advocate – a copy of reply/legal opinion given by the advocate – allow inspection and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Secretary, Real Estate Regulatory Authority, Pb Chandigarh. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 09.06.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing before Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd), State Information Commissioner, on 15.09.2021. However, the case has been now allotted to this bench vide order of the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner on 28.09.2021.

The case has come up for hearing before this **bench, today**. The representative of the appellant informed that they have received the information except for point-3 which the PIO has denied under section 8(1)(e), whereas they have allowed inspection of the concerned file.

The respondent is absent nor is represented. The Commission has received a reply from the PIO on 30.11.2021 which has been taken on record.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **22.02.2022** at 11.00 AM.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 05.01.2022**

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



Sh. Manu Bhargav, S/o Sh Vijay kumar,  
R/o Vrindavan House, Mohalla Kali Kambli Ashram,  
Back Side of Aman Hospital, Hoshiarpur.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
SBS Nagar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
SBS Nagar.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 3402 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Dr.Sh.Manu Bhargav as the Appellant**  
**Dr.Jasdev Singh-Addl.Civil Surgeon for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 29.07.2020 has sought a copy of all complaints/grievances/emails investigated by the Health Department, Pb SBS Nagar given by Manu Bhargav alongwith action taken on all the complainants – copies of emails forwarded by other officers alongwith action report – copies of complaints against Guru Nanak Mission Hospital from 01.01.2010 to 31.10.2020 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Civil Surgeon SBS Nagar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 11.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing before Ms.Preeti Chawla, State Information Commissioner, on 09.02.2021 and again on 17.03.2021. None was present from both the parties and the case was adjourned.

On the date of hearing on 10.08.2021, Dr.Jasdev Singh, Addl Civil Surgeon appeared and stated that the information relates to the office of DC SBS Nagar and a reply has already been sent to the appellant. The PIO O/o DC SBS Nagar was impleaded as respondent No.2 and directed to provide information to the appellant. Respondent No.1 was directed to file an affidavit for the delay in attending the RTI application.

On the date of the hearing on 24.08.2021, none was present on behalf of the respondents. The PIO- O/o Civil Surgeon, SBS Nagar and PIO-O/o DC SBS Nagar were issued a show-cause notice under section 20 of the RTI Act. The PIOs were given one last opportunity for a personal hearing and to file a reply on the show cause notice.

As per the order of the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner dated 07.09.2021, the case has been allotted to this bench.

The case has come up for hearing **before this bench, today** through video conferencing at DAC SBS Nagar. As per the appellant, the PIO has not supplied the information.

**Appeal Case No. 3402 of 2021**

The respondent pleaded that the contents of the RTI application which they received on 01.09.2020 and the copy of the RTI application which the appellant filed in the Commission are different and they have not received the RTI application which the appellant attached with the appeal filed in the Commission. The PIO has also sent his reply dated 27.12.2021 which has been taken on record.

The plea of the PIO that they have not received the RTI application is not justified since the RTI application which the appellant had attached with the appeal filed in the Commission was also attached with the Commission's notice issued to PIO but the PIO has deliberately not provided the information.

A copy of the RTI application has been provided to the respondent via WhatsApp and another copy of the RTI application is being sent to the PIO-DC SBS Nagar.

The respondent is directed to bring the entire record relating to this RTI application to the office of Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur on the next date of hearing for inspection by the appellant, and provide information as per the RTI application of that. The respondent, after providing information as per record, is also directed to file an affidavit stating that whatever the information has been provided is true, complete and no further information is available in the record relating to this RTI application.

Both the PIOs(PIO-Civil Surgeon and PIO-DC SBS Nagar) are also directed to file a reply to the show-cause issued to them on 24.08.2021 notice on an affidavit.

To come up for further hearing on **14.02.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 05.01.2022**

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



Sh Raman Kumar S/o Sh Girdhari Lal,  
R/o H No-1021, Aggarwal Street,  
Ward NO-12, Jalalabad, Distt Fazilka.

... Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o District Food Supply Controller,  
Room, No-407-A, Block-A, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor,  
Fazilka.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 917 of 2021**

**PRESENT:** Sh.Raman Kumar as the Appellant  
Sh.Rajinder Pal Singh Inspector for the Respondent

**ORDER:**

The complainant through an RTI application dated 05.05.2021 has sought information regarding the posting of inspector Rajinder Pal and Hira Lal from April 2020 to Sept.2020 during the distribution of wheat under PMKGY-1 and Oct 2020 to March 2021 during PMKGY-2 – details of wheat and gram received per member and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of District Food Supply Controller, Fazilka. The complainant was not provided with the information after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 13.07.2021.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Fazilka. The respondent present pleaded that the available information has been provided to the complainant vide letter dated 03.01.2022 and the information relating to point-2 is available on their website and that no specific information relating to point-5 is available.

The complainant claims that the PIO has supplied information with a delay of more than six months.

The Commission observes that the RTI application was filed on 05.05.2021 whereas the information has been provided only on 03.01.2022. Prima facie there has been an enormous delay in attending to the RTI application. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard.** If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

To come up for further hearing on **09.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka.

Chandigarh  
Dated: 05.01.2022

Sd/-  
(Khushwant Singh)  
State Information Commission



Sh Kulbir Singh, Sarpanch,  
Village Suresh Wala,  
Tehsil & Distt Fazilka.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o District Food & Civil Supplies Deptt,  
Fazilka.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o District Food & Civil Supplies Deptt,  
Fazilka.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 3076 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Kulbir Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Lakhbir Singh Inspector for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 25.01.2021 has sought information regarding copy of order/report on the basis of which ration cards were issued and discontinued relating to village Suresh Wala – details of ration cards issued and closed during 2019-20 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of District Food Supply department, Fazilka. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 02.03.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Fazilka. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 09.12.2021. The respondent further pleaded that since the information was to be verified from the concerned BDPO, which they received from the BDPO only on 04.12.2020, and sent to the appellant on 09.12.2021.

There is nothing on the record which shows that the RTI application was attended to within the time prescribed under the RTI Act since the RTI application was filed on 25.01.2021 whereas the reply has been sent only on 09.12.2021 with a delay of more than eleven months. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard.** If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

To come up for further hearing on **09.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 05.01.2022**

**Sd/-**  
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Sh Rajinder Pal Singh,  
C/o Ikwan Optical Centre (DAV College Road),  
# 63, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Colony,  
West, Fazilka.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Secretary,  
Social Justice Empowerment and Minority Deptt,  
Pb, SCO-6, Phase-1, Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Principal Secretary,  
Social Justice Empowerment and Minority Deptt,  
Pb, SCO-6, Phase-1, Mohali.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 3157 of 2021**

**PRESENT:     None for the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 25.01.2021 has sought information regarding reservation policy in Govt service regarding caste name like Ramdasia Sikh or Ravidasia Sikh etc. in the Scheduled Caste certificate not mentioned in SC/ST constitution Act 1950/CS list of caste list of Punjab and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Secretary, Social Justice Empowerment and Minority Deptt. Pb Mohali. The appellant was not satisfied with the information provided by the PIO vide letter dated 18.02.2021 after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 03.04.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Fazilka/ Chandigarh. Both the parties are absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **09.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka. PIO to appear at Chandigarh.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 05.01.2022**

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