

Manjinder Singh,
2469, Sunny Enclave,
Sector-125, Kharar,
District Mohali (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2136 of 2019

Present : Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Gurcharan Singh, Assistant Transport Officer-cum-PIO, in person.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 16.12.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 02.01.2020 at 12:00 P. M. to identify the required information. The respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him.

Sh. Gurcharan Singh, Assistant Transport Officer-cum-PIO, who appeared in person, in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 6933 dated 03.02.2020 signed by himself, intimating that inspection of the relevant official record has been done on 03.01.2020 and the appellant has shown his satisfaction. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has visited the office of the respondent and inspected the relevant official record and has received the requisite information. He also through a letter dated 05.02.2020, has asked for filing of this case. It is taken on record.

In view of the above, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Manjinder Singh,
2469, Sunny Enclave,
Sector-125, Kharar,
District Mohali (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Jalandhar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector – 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2114 of 2019

Present : Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Ms. Kuldeep Kaur, Data Entry Operator, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 16.12.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on any day during working hours to identify the required information. The respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him.

Ms. Kuldeep Kaur, Data Entry Operator, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 1115 dated 22.01.2020 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Section Officer office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar, showing that inspection of the relevant official record has been done. On that reply, the appellant has put his signatures on 22.01.2020 as conformation of inspection of the relevant official record done by him. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has visited the office of the respondent and inspected the relevant official record and has received the requisite information. He also through a letter dated 05.02.2020, has asked for filing of this case. It is taken on record.

In view of the above, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Tejinder Singh,
Village Bholapur,
Post Office Ramgarh,
Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana-141123 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Food and Drug Administration,
Kharar, District S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Food Safety Commissioner,
Punjab Health System Building,
Phase- 6, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 72 of 2019

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.12.2019 and Sh. Praveen Kumar, Senior Assistant-cum-APIO, appeared for the respondent PIO and stated that he had brought the requisite information in the Commission. As the appellant was not present on that day, the respondent PIO concerned was directed to send the requisite information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address. An opportunity was given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 3295 dated 29.11.2019 signed by Public Information Officer office of Food and Drug Administration, Kharar, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 23120 dated 02.12.2019, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh through registered post appended to which is postal receipt. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has not received any information from the respondent till date.

The information sent by the respondent PIO vide letter no. 3295 dated 29.11.2019 is handed over to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission today.

After going through the information supplied, the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate, through a letter dated 03.07.2019, has acknowledged that he has received the requisite information and asked for filing of his case. It is taken on record.

Since the information stands supplied, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Jaspal Singh S/o Sh. Surjit Singh,
House No. 157, Street No. 8-A,
Manjit Nagar, Bhadson Road,
Patiala(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Managing Director,
P.R.T.C., Nabha Road,
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Managing Director,
P.R.T.C., Nabha Road,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2611 of 2019

Present : Sh. Jaspal Singh, the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Surinder Sigh, General Manager(Admin.) ;
ii) Sh. Narender Kumar, Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.12.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 24.12.2019 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the required information and to supply the required information to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has visited the office of the respondent on 24.12.2019 but required information has not been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.

Sh. Surinder Sigh, General Manager(Admin.), who appeared with Sh. Narender Kumar, Senior Assistant, in today's hearing, hand over part information to the appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh during the hearing in the Commission today and part information demanded by the appellant through request is not specific. They also submit a reply vide letter no. 10488 dated 04.02.2020 signed by General Manager(Admin.), P. R. T. C., Patiala. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 11.02.2020 at 11:00 A. M. so that the appellant could specifically identify the required information.

Both the parties mutually agreed to it during the hearing today.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the Information or not by or on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Jaspal Singh S/o Sh. Surjit Singh,
House No. 157, Street No. 8-A,
Manjit Nagar, Bhadson Road,
Patiala(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Managing Director,
P.R.T.C., Nabha Road,
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Managing Director,
P.R.T.C., Nabha Road,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2612 of 2019

Present : Sh. Jaspal Singh, the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Surinder Singh, General Manager(Admin.) ;
ii) Sh. Narender Kumar, Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.12.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 24.12.2019 at 01:00 P. M. to identify the required information and to supply the required information to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has visited the office of the respondent on 24.12.2019 but required information has not been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.

Sh. Surinder Singh, General Manager(Admin.), who appeared with Sh. Narender Kumar, Senior Assistant, in today's hearing, hand over part information to the appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh during the hearing in the Commission today. They also submit a reply vide letter no. 10509 dated 04.02.2020 signed by Public Information Officer office of P. R. T. C. (Head Office), Patiala. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 19.02.2020 at 11:00 A. M. so that the deficiencies, which have been pointed out by the appellant, could be removed.

Both the parties mutually agreed to it during the hearing today.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information to the appellant, after removing the deficiencies, pointed out by him, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the Information or not by or on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Sarabjeet Singh,
House no. 60-35-P-376-1,
Street No. 8, Maha Singh Nagar,
P.O. Dhandari Kalan,
Ludhiana-141014 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Improvement Trust ,
Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Improvement Trust ,
Ludhiana(Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1475 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.12.2019 and an opportunity was given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh nor the respondent is present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 8475 dated 10.12.2019 signed by Executive Officer, Improvement Trust , Ludhiana has supplied the requisite information to the appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh. It is placed in the case-file.

The appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh through a letter dated 22.01.2020, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment in this case. Through that letter, he has also intimated the Commission that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO. It is taken on record.

But through that letter he has not intimated the Commission that at which point/points of the RTI request, information is still pending.

Accordingly, an opportunity is given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time through registered post with a copy to the Commission so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing positively.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**



Barinder Dewett (Advocate)
S/o C. S. Dewett,
Chamber No. 9, Civil Courts,
Khanna (141401)
District Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Khanna (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Ludhiana(Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1500 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Kulwinder Singh, Junior Engineer, for the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.12.2019 and another opportunity was given to the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative, on the fixed date of hearing.

Sh. Kulwinder Singh, Junior Engineer, who appeared for the respondent in today's hearing, states that he has brought the requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant, Sh. Barinder Dewett during the hearing. He also submits a copy of supplied information, which is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Barinder Dewett, is absent from today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

The respondent PIO is directed to send the requisite information to the applicant through registered post at his residential address within two weeks from today and produce a copy of the postal receipt in the Commission on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time through registered post with a copy to the Commission so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing. He is also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Bhushan Mani S/o Sh. Hemant Kumar,
H. No. 401, Street – 13,
Virk Colony, Patiala (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The General Manager,
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation,
Patiala Depot, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chairman
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation,
Head Office, Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1432 of 2019

Present : Sh. Bhushan Mani, the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Narender Kumar, Senior Assistant O/o P.R.T.C., (H.O.),
Patiala;
ii) Sh. Sabar Ali, Junior Assistant O/o P.R.T.C. Depot, Patiala, on
behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 16.12.2019 and an opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned

Sh. Narender Kumar, Senior Assistant office of P.R.T.C., (H.O.), Patiala and Sh. Sabar Ali, Junior Assistant office of P.R.T.C. Depot, Patiala, who appeared in today's hearing, state that the required information has been supplied to the appellant after removing the deficiencies, pointed out by the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Bhushan Mani, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has pointed-out certain deficiencies, in the information supplied to him vide letter dated 31.01.2020 through registered post. It (letter dated 31.01.2020), alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

A copy of the letter dated 31.01.2020, submitted by the appellant, through which he has pointed-out certain deficiencies, is handed over to the representative of the respondent during the hearing in the Commission today.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information to the appellant, after removing the deficiencies, pointed out by him vide letter dated 31.01.2020 through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the Information or not, by or on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**



Rakesh Kumar Gupta S/o Sh. Des Raj Gupta,
8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur, Distt. Ludhiana. -141101(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Mullanpur Dakha, Distt. Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana(Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1918 of 2019

Present : None appellant in person.
Sh. Palwinder Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, in person.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 16.12.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant. An opportunity was given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, to the respondent PIO. He was further advised to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing or the case would be decided on merits. A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Sh. Palwinder Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, who appeared in person in today's hearing, submits a copy of a reply vide letter no. 739 dated 26.09.2019 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, showing that the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta. On that reply, the appellant has put his signatures on 04.02.2020 as an acknowledgement of having received the requisite information. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta through a letter dated 05.02.2020, which was in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing and the decision be taken in his absence. It is taken on record.

As the respondent PIO has supplied the required information to the appellant and the appellant has acknowledged the same by putting his signature on 05.02.2020 on the reply dated 26.09.2019, hence, show cause issued to the concerned respondent PIO in the instant appeal-case is **dropped.**

In view of all the above, the case is **disposed of and closed.**
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab



Piara Singh
S/o Sh. Butta Singh,
Khahnuwal Road,
Near SD College, Tower Wali Gali,
Gurdaspur(Punjab)

...Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Gurdaspur(Punjab)

... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 497 of 2019

Present : Sh. Piara Singh, the complainant in person.
i) Sh. Satish Kumar, Junior Assistant ;
ii) Sh. Harjit Singh, Clerk, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 16.12.2019 and a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Gurdaspur, under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005

Sh. Satish Kumar, Junior Assistant and Sh. Harjit Singh, Clerk, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 29 dated 03.01.2020 signed by Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Gurdaspur, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the complainant, Sh. Piara Singh vide letter no. 3411 dated 10.12.2019. He also hands over a copy of the same to the complainant during the hearing in the Commission today. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

After going through the information supplied, the complainant, Sh. Piara Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, points out that no khasra number has been mentioned on the map given to him during the hearing.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to file a point wise reply to the query, raised by the complainant through his RTI request as per official record by or on the next date of hearing positively.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Ravinder Kataria,
64, New Sant Fateh Singh Nagar,
Dugri Road, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Amritsar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1939 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.12.2019 and the respondent PIO was directed either to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post or file a point wise reply to each and every query, raised by the appellant through his RTI request.

The appellant, Sh. Ravinder Kataria, through a letter dated 05.02. Diary No. 22184 dated 03.10.2019 through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment in this case. Through that letter, he has also intimated the Commission that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far. It is taken on record.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO, moreover, the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after a period of eleven months.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission 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 proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post .

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address before the next date of hearing and produce a copy of the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the appellant, before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. He is also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Ashok Kumar,
House No. 214, Pine Homes,
Dhakoli, Zirakpur 160104 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Technical Education & Industrial Training, Pb.,
(Technical Education Wing),
Plot no. 1, Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Technical Education & Industrial Training, Pb.,
(Technical Education Wing),
Plot no. 1, Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2236 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Maninder Singh, Head of Department-cum-PIO, in person ;
ii) Sh. Baldev Singh, Senior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.12.2019 and a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Director, Technical Education & Industrial Training, Pb., (Technical Education Wing), Chandigarh, under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005

Sh. Maninder Singh, Head of Department-cum-PIO, who appeared in person with Sh. Baldev Singh, Senior Assistant, in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar.

The appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar, through a letter dated 04.02.2020, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing and points out certain deficiencies in the supplied information. It is taken on record.

A copy of the letter dated 04.02.2020 sent by the appellant, is handed over to Sh. Maninder Singh, the concerned PIO during the hearing in the Commission today with the directions to supply the information after removing the deficiencies, pointed by the appellant by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Amandeep Singh Gill
S/o Sh. Nirmal Singh Gill,
Street No. 15, Peeru Banda,
Salem Tibri, Ludhiana-141008(Punjab)

...Complainant

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and
Panchayat Officer,
Block Ghal Khurd,
Distt. Ferozepur(Punjab)

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o Village Development Officer (V.D.O.),
O/o Gram Panchayat,
Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd,
Distt. Ferozepur(Punjab)

... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 450 of 2019

Present : Sh. Amandeep Singh Gill, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 16.12.2019 and both PIOs i. e. office of B.D.P.O., Block Ghal Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur and PIO office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur were not came present, accordingly, a copy of the order was sent to District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur through registered post with the advice to ensure presence of the concerned PIOs of the abovesaid offices to represent this case positively to clear the facts of this case.

The appellant, Sh. Amandeep Singh Gill, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

None of the PIOs came present from offices of B.D.P.O., Block Ghal Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur and PIO office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur, in today's hearing. They have also not sent any intimation regarding their non-availability. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent (above-mentioned) PIOs, moreover, the required information has not been supplied by the respondent PIOs to the information seeker till date.

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In view of the above, **a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to :**

1. Public Information Officer office of B.D.P.O., Block Ghal Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur ;
2. Public Information Officer office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur ;

The PIOs are also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. They may note that in case they do not file their submission and does not avail themselves of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that they have nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against them ex-parte. **A copy of this order be sent to them through registered post .**

A copy of this order be sent to District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur through registered post with the advice to ensure the compliance of the above-said order.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

(Regd. Post)

The District Development and
Panchayat Officer,
Ferozepur (Punjab)

Ram Chand Bansal
S/o Sh. Hans Raj,
24944, Street No. 2,
Baba Deep Singh Nagar,
Bathinda- 151001 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector 17, Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda(Punjab)
- (Regd. Post)

First Appellate Authority,
O/ o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1991 of 2019

Present : Sh. Ram Chand Bansal, the appellant in person.
Sh. Gurpal Singh, APIO on behalf of First Appellate Authority O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh and none appeared from office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 16.12.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The appellant, Sh. Ram Chand Bansal, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

In today's hearing, Sh. Gurpal Singh, APIO appeared on behalf of First Appellate Authority office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 4603 dated 04.02.2020 signed by Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing due to sudden demise of his elder brother and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

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After examining the documents placed in the case-file, it is emerges that the information sought for by the appellant through RTI request relates with office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda and accordingly the RTI request of the appellant was transferred by Public Information Officer office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to the said office under section 6 (3) of the RTI Act vide letter no. 185516 dated 27.12.2018. Accordingly, on the hearing, held on 16.10.2019 PIO of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda was impleaded as necessary party in this case and the respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post.

On the humanitarian grounds, an adjournment be given in the instant appeal-case and the directions passed by the Commission vide orders dated 16.10.2019 and 16.12.2019 stands and last opportunity is give to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address before the next date of hearing and produce a copy of the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the appellant, before the Commission on the next date of hearing. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th February, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

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.....Appellant

Vs

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Health Minister
Government of Punjab,
Punjab Civil Secretariat,
Chandigarh (Punjab)

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 04 of 2019

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate, the appellant in person.
Sh. Praveen Kumar, Senior Assistant O/o Food and Drugs, Kharar, on behalf of
the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 11.12.2019 and none of the parties were present and another opportunity was given to the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative so that the facts of this case could be cleared.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Sh. Praveen Kumar, Senior Assistant office of Food and Drugs, Kharar, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the RTI request of the applicant is addressed to Health Minister, Punjab, Chandigarh and there is no document placed in the case-file, which shows that the RTI request of the applicant is transferred under section 6 (3) of the RTI Act to the office of Food and Drugs Administration, Kharar, accordingly, the respondent PIO concerned of office of Health Minister, Punjab, Chandigarh, is directed to represent this case in person or through his authorized representative on the next date of hearing with the directions to file a reply, in writing, to the queries raised by the complainant through his RTI request as per official record by or on the next date of hearing. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

The respondent PIO of office of Food and Drugs Administration, Kharar is also directed to represent this case in person or through his authorized representative on the next date of hearing positively.

The case is **adjourned to 1st April, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

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Date : 5th February, 2020

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