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#### Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta

R/o #8/237, Jagraon Road, Mandi Mullanpur, Distt.Ludhiana-141101

....Appellant

## Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy.Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

#### Appeal Case No.3445 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, PIO/Respondent.

Versus

#### ORDER:

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Accordingly, show cause notice was issued to the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information and an opportunity was also given under Section 20(1) & provision thereto for a personal hearing with the sought for information. The PIO/Respondent was also directed to send the requisite information through registered post before next date of hearing.

Today, the Appellant Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta comes present and states that he has not received the information even though he has inspected the record in the office of Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha on being called by the PIO/Respondent to do so on 18.02.2019 and he has identified the information to be supplied. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent is asked as to why the information has not been supplied in spite of issuance of show cause notice. The PIO/Respondent prays for some time to supply the requisite information as he holds the double charge of Executive Officer, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha as well as M.C. Jagraon.

The request of the PIO/Respondent is accepted and he is directed to supply the information before 15.03.2019 in any case.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing which is fixed for 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

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#### Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta

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....Appellant

## Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy.Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

#### Appeal Case No.3446 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, PIO/Respondent.

Versus

#### ORDER:

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Accordingly, show cause notice was issued to the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information and an opportunity was also given under Section 20(1) & provision thereto for a personal hearing with the sought for information. The PIO/Respondent was also directed to send the requisite information through registered post before next date of hearing.

Today, the Appellant Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta comes present and states that he has not received the information even though he has inspected the record in the office of Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha on being called by the PIO/Respondent to do so on 18.02.2019 and he has identified the information to be supplied. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent is asked as to why the information has not been supplied in spite of issuance of show cause notice. The PIO/Respondent prays for some time to supply the requisite information as he holds the double charge of Executive Officer, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha as well as M.C. Jagraon.

The request of the PIO/Respondent is accepted and he is directed to supply the information before 15.03.2019 in any case.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing which is fixed for 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

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#### Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta

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#### Public Information Officer.

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Regional Dy.Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

#### Appeal Case No.3447 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, PIO/Respondent.

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#### ORDER:

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Accordingly, show cause notice was issued to the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information and an opportunity was also given under Section 20(1) & provision thereto for a personal hearing with the sought for information. The PIO/Respondent was also directed to send the requisite information through registered post before next date of hearing.

Today, the Appellant Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta comes present and states that he has not received the information even though he has inspected the record in the office of Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha on being called by the PIO/Respondent to do so on 18.02.2019 and he has identified the information to be supplied. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent is asked as to why the information has not been supplied in spite of issuance of show cause notice. The PIO/Respondent prays for some time to supply the requisite information as he holds the double charge of Executive Officer, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha as well as M.C. Jagraon.

The request of the PIO/Respondent is accepted and he is directed to supply the information before 15.03.2019 in any case.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing which is fixed for 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Copies of the orders be given to both the parties.

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Dated: 05.03.2019

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#### Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta

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Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Raikot, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy. Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.3449 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Nobody is present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

#### ORDER:

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. On behalf of the PIO/ Respondent, Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed had come present and had stated that the information had been supplied to the Appellant. He had also produced letter dated 21.06.2018 vide which the information had been supplied to the Appellant which was taken on record. It had also been informed by him that the Appellant had been called to visit their office on any working day but he had not come to their office.

After discussing with the PIO/Respondent and going through the file, the appellant was advised to visit the concerned office for inspection on 18.02.2019 at 11.00 AM for inspection of record. The PIO/respondent was directed to supply the information to the appellant to his satisfaction.

Today, the Appellant Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta comes present and states that he has not received the information. He had stated that even though he had visited the office of PIO/Respondent to inspect the record on 18.02.2019 as per directions of Ld. Court, but he was not let to inspect the record so as to enable him to identify the information required.

Nobody has come present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent but a letter dated 05.03.2019 has been received from PIO/Respondent and vide this the PIO/Respondent has expressed his inability to attend the court. It has also been mentioned therein that the Appellant had not contacted their office to inspect the record which is contrary to the statement made by the Appellant.

In view of the above, PIO O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Raikot, District Ludhiana will Show Cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.

PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post and produce postal receipt before the Commission on the next date. The Appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, after the information is received by him and send to the PIO/Respondent.

Both the parties to come present on next date of hearing

The case is adjourned to 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties

Dated: 05.03.2019

Show Cause:

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Officer Municipal Council, Raikot District Ludhiana

Encl. RTI Application

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....Appellant

## Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy. Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

## Appeal Case No.3450 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha holding additional charge of Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, PIO/Respondent. Smt. Nisha, Accountant, M.C. Jagaon.

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#### ORDER;

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Nobody had come present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent i.e. Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana but an E-mail dated 14.01.2019 informing that vide letter dated 25.10.2018, Mrs. Nisha, APIO-cum-Accountant, Municipal Council, Jagraon had been deputed for election duty but she had not been relieved by the SDM Jagraon and as such, had requested for adjournment of the hearing.

On going through the file and from perusal of letter dated 11.01.2019, it had been observed that the information had been supplied to the Appellant. Accordingly, the Appellant had been asked to point out deficiencies, if any, and also to appear in person on the next date i.e. today.

Today, Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant comes present and states that he has pointed out deficiencies in the information vide his e.mail dated 05.03.2019, which is also available in the file.

Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent and Smt.Nisha, Accountant, M.C. Jagraon who have come present today, are directed to supply the requisite information after removing the deficiencies as pointed by the Appellant before the next date of hearing otherwise strict action will be taken.

The case is adjourned to next date of hearing which is fixed for **23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing. Copies of the orders be given to both the parties.

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## Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta

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## **Public Information Officer,**

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

## First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy.Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

## Appeal Case No.3451 of 2018

Present: Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha holding additional charge of Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, PIO/Respondent. Smt. Nisha, Accountant, M.C. Jagaon.

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## ORDER;

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Nobody had come present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent i.e. Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana but an E-mail dated 14.01.2019 informing that vide letter dated 25.10.2018, Mrs. Nisha, APIO-cum-Accountant, Municipal Council, Jagraon had been deputed for election duty but she had not been relieved by the SDM Jagraon and as such, had requested for adjournment of the hearing.

It had been observed in the last hearing that any other official could have been deputed to attend the hearing and as such, serious view of the casual approach of the PIO/Respondent had been taken. The PIO/Respondent was directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant and also to produce the postal receipt on the next date of hearing. The Appellant was also advised to go through the information had been supplied to the Appellant. Accordingly, the Appellant had been asked to point out deficiencies, if any, and also to appear in person on the next date i.e. today.

Today, Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant comes present and states that he has pointed out deficiencies in the information vide his e.mail dated 05.03.2019, which is also available in the file.



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Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent and Smt. Nisha, Accountant, M.C. Jagraon come present today. After discussing with both the parties, it is decided that the Appellant will visit O/o PIO/Respondent on <u>15.03.2019</u> to inspect the record and identify the information. The Executive Officer Sh.Amrinder Singh assured that Smt. Nisha will be present at the time of inspection by the Appellant. He is directed to supply the requisite information as identified by the appellant and after removing the deficiencies as pointed by him before the next date of hearing otherwise strict action will be taken.

The case is adjourned to next date of hearing which is fixed for **23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing. Copies of the orders be given to both the parties.

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#### Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta

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....Appellant

## Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy.Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

#### Appeal Case No.3452 of 2018

Present: Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha holding additional charge of Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, PIO/Respondent. Smt. Nisha, Accountant, M.C. Jagaon.

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#### ORDER;

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Nobody had come present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent i.e. Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana but an E-mail dated 14.01.2019 informing that vide letter dated 25.10.2018, Mrs. Nisha, APIO-cum-Accountant, Municipal Council, Jagraon had been deputed for election duty but she had not been relieved by the SDM Jagraon and as such, had requested for adjournment of the hearing.

It had been observed in the last hearing that any other official could have been deputed to attend the hearing and as such, serious view of the casual approach of the PIO/Respondent had been taken. The PIO/Respondent was directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant and also to produce the postal receipt on the next date of hearing. The Appellant was also advised to go through the information had been supplied to the Appellant. Accordingly, the Appellant had been asked to point out deficiencies, if any, and also to appear in person on the next date i.e. today.

Today, Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant comes present and states that he has pointed out deficiencies in the information vide his e.mail dated 05.03.2019, which is also available in the file.

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#### Appeal Case No.3452 of 2018

Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent and Smt. Nisha, Accountant, M.C. Jagraon come present today. PIO/Respondent hands over the information to the Appellant in the Court with a copy to the Court which is taken on record. On the asking of the Court, the Appellant states that he needs to check if deficiencies are there. He is advised to go through the information and point out deficiencies, if any. PIO/Respondent is directed to supply the requisite information after removing the deficiencies as pointed by the Appellant before the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to next date of hearing which is fixed for 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing.

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#### Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy.Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

#### Appeal Case No.3453 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, PIO/Respondent.

#### ORDER:

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Accordingly, show cause notice was issued to the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information and an opportunity was also given under Section 20(1) & provision thereto for a personal hearing with the sought for information. The PIO/Respondent was also directed to send the requisite information through registered post before next date of hearing.

Today, the Appellant Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta comes present and states that he has not received the information even though he has inspected the record in the office of Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha on being called by the PIO/Respondent to do so on 18.02.2019 and he has identified the information to be supplied. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent is asked as to why the information has not been supplied in spite of issuance of show cause notice. The PIO/Respondent prays for some time to supply the requisite information as he holds the double charge of Executive Officer, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha as well as M.C. Jagraon.

The request of the PIO/Respondent is accepted and he is directed to supply the information before the next date of hearing.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing which is fixed for 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

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#### Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta

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....Appellant

## Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy.Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

## Appeal Case No.3454 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, PIO/Respondent.

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#### ORDER:

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Accordingly, show cause notice was issued to the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information and an opportunity was also given under Section 20(1) & provision thereto for a personal hearing with the sought for information. The PIO/Respondent was also directed to send the requisite information through registered post before next date of hearing.

Today, the Appellant Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta comes present and states that he has not received the information even though he has inspected the record in the office of Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha on being called by the PIO/Respondent to do so on 18.02.2019 and he has identified the information to be supplied. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent is asked as to why the information has not been supplied in spite of issuance of show cause notice. The PIO/Respondent prays for some time to supply the requisite information as he holds the double charge of Executive Officer, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha as well as M.C. Jagraon.

The request of the PIO/Respondent is accepted and he is directed to supply the information before the next date of hearing.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing which is fixed for 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

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#### Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta

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#### Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Regional Dy.Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

# Appeal Case No.3455 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Appellant is present. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, PIO/Respondent.

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#### ORDER:

The case was last heard on 15.01.2019. The Appellant was absent on the last date and had sought adjournment. The PIO/ Respondent was also absent without any intimation. Accordingly, show cause notice was issued to the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District Ludhiana under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information and an opportunity was also given under Section 20(1) & provision thereto for a personal hearing with the sought for information. The PIO/Respondent was also directed to send the requisite information through registered post before next date of hearing.

Today, the Appellant Sh.Rakesh Kumar Gupta comes present and states that he has not received the information even though he has inspected the record in the office of Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha on being called by the PIO/Respondent to do so on 18.02.2019 and he has identified the information to be supplied. Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, PIO/Respondent is asked as to why the information has not been supplied in spite of issuance of show cause notice. The PIO/Respondent prays for some time to supply the requisite information as he holds the double charge of Executive Officer, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha as well as M.C. Jagraon.

The request of the PIO/Respondent is accepted and he is directed to supply the information before the next date of hearing.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing which is fixed for 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

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Shri Makhan Singh, S/o Shri Jang Singh, R/o Mashana, Block Sangat, Bathinda. M : 9464132390

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## Public Information Officer,

O/o Senior Medical Officer Incharge Community Health Centre, Sangat, Distt. Bathinda.

## First Appellate Authority,

O/o Civil Surgeon, Bathinda.

.....Respondent.

# Appeal Case No. 1765 of 2018

Present:

The Appellant Sh. Makhan Singh is present. Dr Sarvjit Singh, Senior Medical Officer I/c, CHC, Sangat Respondent/PIO, alongwith Sh.Vinod Kumar, Senior Assistant.

## <u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 14.01.2019. The appellant Sh.Makhan Singh had come present. The PIO/ Respondent Dr.Sarvjit Singh, SMO Incharge PHC Sangat (Bathinda) and Shri Vinod Kumar, Senior Assistant had come present.

On the last date, PIO/Respondent alongwith Sh.Vinod Kumar, Sr. Asstt. had come present and handed over letter dated 11.01.2019 addressed to the Commission therewith the receipt of complaint in the office of SSP Bathinda and affidavits of 5 officers/officials including PIO/Respondent that the record had been taken away by the Appellant and the persons accompanying him. The same had been taken on record.

After discussions, it had been observed that the information could be gathered from the Sub Centres under the PHC. As such, the PIO had been asked to supply information on Points No.1 to 11, except Point No.7, to which both the parties had agreed. PIO had been directed to I supply the same to the Appellant before the next date of hearing by registered post and produce postal receipt thereof before the Court. The PIO/Respondent had also been directed to appear in person or through his representative on the next date.

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# Appeal Case No. 1765 of 2018

The Appellant Shri Makhan Singh comes present today. The PIO/Respondent Sh.Sarvjit Singh, SMO I/c alongwith Shri Vinod Kumar, Senior Assistant come present and hand over letter dated 28.02.2019 containing the information sought by the Appellant. On the asking of the Court, the appellant goes through the information supplied point wise and expresses his dis-satisfaction over the information supplied. He states that certain documents have not been supplied as desired vide RTI application such as copies of the bills of expenditure and tour diaries of some of the MPHW (Female) and it contains only summary of budget and expenditure. It is observed that although the PIO/Respondent and Sh.Vinod Kumar on the last date of hearing had assured to collect information from the Sub Centres working under the C.H.C. Sangat and supply the same, yet they have not supplied the complete documents to the appellant. It appears that they are trying to delay the information.

In view of the above, a penalty of Rs.5000/- (Rupees Five thousand only) is imposed on the concerned PIO/Respondent, O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Khanna, District Ludhiana. The amount of penalty i.e. Rs.5000/- should be deducted from the salary of the PIO and be deposited in the Govt. Treasury under the head "0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act".

PIO/Respondent is also directed to come in person and submit the proof of having deposited the penalty on the next date of hearing. PIO/Respondent is further directed to supply the complete information before the next date of hearing. Copy of this order be sent to him through registered post for his ready reference.

The case is adjourned to **23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing. Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

> Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

## Dated:05.03.2019

CC:

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o The Sr. Medical Officer I/c Community Health Centre, Sangat, District Bathinda.

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Shri Tilak Raj C/o The Amritsar, Cooperative Labour & Construction Union Ltd, Albert Road, Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

## Public Information Officer,

O/o Trust Engineer, Nagar Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

## First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chairman, Amritsar Nagar Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

.... Respondent.

## Appeal Case No. 1785 of 2018

Present:

The Appellant Sh. Tilak Raj is absent. Sh.Ravinder Kumar, Trust Engineer is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

# <u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 14.01.2019. The Appellant Sh.Tilak Raj was absent. Nobody was present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent on last date of hearing.

On the last date, a letter of the Appellant dated 07.01.2019 had been received vide which he had asked the PIO to supply him information regarding Point No.2 i.e. Acknowledge Receipt of tender notice sent to the Amritsar Cooperative Labour & Construction Society Ltd., Amritsar.

As the PIO/Respondent had failed to come present before the Commission and also to supply complete information to the Appellant, show cause notice was issued to the PIO O/o Trust Engineer, Nagar Improvement Trust, Amritsar under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act. PIO was also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. PIO was also directed to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post and produce postal receipt before the Commission on the next date.

Today, Shri Ravinder Kumar, Trust Engineer comes present and states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant vide letter dated 22.02.2019. On going through the file, it is observed that a letter dated 27.02.2019 has also been received from the Appellant Shri Tilak Raj vide which he has informed that he has received the requisite information.

In view of this, no cause of action survives. The appeal is disposed of and the case is close.

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties

Dated: 05.03.2019

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Sh. Jagtar Singh S/o Sh.Jagir Singh, #3385, Sector-47D, Chandigarh,

....Applicant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,** O/o Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, HO, Nabha Road, Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority, O/o** Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, HO, Nabha Road, Patiala.

...Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 3037 of 2018

**Present:** The Appellant Sh. Jagtar Singh is absent. None is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO.

# **ORDER**

The case was last heard on 14.01.2019. The appellant Sh. Jagtar Singh was present. Sh. Gian Chand, Senior Assistant comes present on behalf of the PIO/ Respondent and had assured that the information would definitely be supplied to the Appellant on **16.01.2019**. The Appellant Shri Jagtar Singh had also agreed to collect the information on 16.01.2019 from the office of PIO/Respondent.

PIO/Respondent, on the assurance given by his representative Sh.Gian Chand, was given one last opportunity to supply the information to the Appellant to his satisfaction, failing which, penalty would be imposed and compensation would also be awarded.

PIO/Respondent is absent without intimation. He is given last opportunity to supply the information to the Appellant, failing which penalty will be imposed. Last opportunity is also given to the Appellant to confirm whether he has received the information to his satisfaction or not.

The case is adjourned to 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing.

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Sh.Jaspal Singh S/o Sh.Ramesh Arora H.No.319/3, Gurdeep Nagar Jagraon,Distt.Ludhiana M-9815017246

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

**O/o** Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagroan District Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority** O/o Deputy Director Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana

...Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 3005 of 2018

Present:The Appellant Sh. Jaspal Singh is present.<br/>Sh.Amrinder Singh, Executive Officer, Municipal Council,<br/>Mullanpur Dakha holding additional charge of Executive Officer,<br/>Municipal Council, Jagraon, PIO/Respondent.<br/>Smt. Nisha, Accountant, M.C. Jagaon.

## <u>ORDER</u>

The case was last heard on 14.01.2019. The Appellant Sh.Jaspal Singh was absent, but an email had been received from the Appellant that due to illness, he was unable to attend the hearing and had sought adjournment of the hearing.

None was present on behalf of PIO/Respondent but a letter dated 11.01.2019 had been received from the PIO/Respondent that the APIO Smt. Nisha, Accountant well versed with the facts of the case had been detailed for election duty by the SDM Jagraon but there had been no mention in which election she had been detailed for duty. It was also not acceptable that since her relieving from Municipal Council, Jagraon w.e.f. 26.10.2018, nobody had been attending duties in her place.

The Commission taking serious view of the same, had issued Show Cause Notice to the **PIO O/o** Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagroan, District Ludhiana under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act and the PIO was also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing.



...Petitioner

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PIO was directed to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post and produce postal receipt before the Commission on the next date. The Appellant was also given one last opportunity to appear before the Commission on the next date otherwise case will be decided in his absence.

On discussions with the PIO/Respondent and Smt. Nisha, Accountant who have come present from Municipal Council, Jagraon, Smt. Nisha, Accountant states that the information regarding deposit of EPF of the temporary workers has to be supplied by the concerned Contractors and she also refers to letter dated 15.06.2018, sent vide e-mail dated 04.03.2019, written to the concerned Contractors to supply the copies of EPF challanes for the period 04/13 to 11/17 vide which the EPF of workers had been deposited, but so far there is no information available in her office as received from the said contractors, to show whether the amount of EPF as asked for RTI application has been deposited or not. She states that the Municipal Councils makes them payment of salary of the workers, but the EPF is to be deducted and deposited by the Contractors.

Smt. Nisha, Accountant is directed either to collect the information from the Contractors expeditiously or to give a statement by way of affidavit on or before the next date to the effect that no such information relating to deduction and deposit of EPF of the temporary workers is available with the office of Municipal Council, Jagraon.

The case is adjourned to 23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM.

Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing.

Copies of the order be sent to both the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

# Sh.Krishan Gopal Singla

S/o Sh.Brij Lal, W.No.16B/190, Sangrur Road, Dhuri, District Sangrur.

Versus

**PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION** RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH.

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**Public Information Officer** O/o Chief Engineer PWD (B&R), Patiala

**First Appellate Authority** O/o Chief Engineer(HQ) PWD (B&R), Patiala

## Appeal No.3025 of 2018

Present:

Sh.Prem Kumar Rattan is present on behalf of Appellant Sh.Krishan Gopal Singla is present. None is present on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

## ORDER:

The case was last heard on 14.01.2019. The Appellant was absent without any intimation. PIO/Respondent is also absent. Neither any intimation regarding absence had been received from the PIO nor there was any document available in the file to show that they have supplied the information to the Appellant.

The Commission taking serious view of the same, had issued show cause notice to the PIO O/o Chief Engineer, P.W.D. (B&R), Patiala to show cause under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. PIO was also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information.

PIO was directed to supply the information to the Appellant by registered post and produce postal receipt before the Commission on the next date. The Appellant was also given one last opportunity to appear before the Commission on the next date otherwise case would be decided in his absence.

PIO/Respondent is absent today without any intimation. Sh.Prem Kumar Rattan come present on behalf of the Appellant and produces authority letter. He states that no information has been received by the appellant.





# Appeal No.3025 of 2018

In view of the above, a penalty of Rs.2500/- (Rupees Two thousand Five thousand only) is imposed on the concerned PIO/Respondent, O/o Chief Engineer, Public Works Department (B&R), Patiala. The amount of penalty i.e. Rs.2500/- should be deducted from the salary of the PIO and be deposited in the Govt. Treasury under the head "0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act".

<u>PIO/Respondent is also directed to come in person and submit the proof of having deposited the</u> penalty on the next date of hearing. PIO/Respondent is further directed to supply the complete information before the next date of hearing. Copy of this order be sent to him through registered post for his ready reference.

The case is adjourned to **23.04.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Both the parties to come present on the next date of hearing. Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

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## Dated:05.03.2019

#### CC:

(Regd. Post) O/o The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department (B&R) Patiala.

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**Sh.Ravinder Kumar** S/o Sh. Chaman Lal C/o Bharat Store 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor(left side), Sudharshan Market,Hall Bazar,Amritsar.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

## First Appellate Authority-cum-

Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

Complaint Case No. 521 of 2018

.....Respondent

Present:

The Complainant, Sh. Ravinder Kumar is absent Sh.Yash Pal, Fireman is present on behalf of the Respondent/PIO

## <u>ORDER</u>

This case was last heard on 14.11.2018. Complainant was absent on last date of hearing also., but an e-mail dated 02.01.2019 had been received from him informing that on the directions of Commission, he had visited the office of PIO/Respondent, but he had not received any information and requested for the supply of requisite information to him.

On behalf of PIO/Respondent, Sh.Dilbagh Singh, Sub Fire Officer had come present and had handed over a copy of letter dated 27.12.2018 stating that in compliance with the directions of Commission, the entire record had been shown to the complainant by calling him to the office on 22.12.2018 and he had been supplied photocopies of two Fire Safety NOCs. He had further stated that point-wise information had also been supplied vide letter dated 14.07.2018 and had submitted photocopy of the same.

The PIO/Respondent was directed to supply the information to the complainant by registered post whatever was required by the complainant. PIO/Respondent was further directed to come present in person and produce the postal receipt on the next date.

On going through the file, it is observed that the Complainant has been absent on the last 3 consecutive hearings and today also, he is absent for the 4 consecutive time. It appears that the complainant has received the requisite information and is satisfied with the same.

## In view of this, the complaint is disposed of and the case is closed.

Copies of the orders be sent to both the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner, Punjab