



Rohit Sabarwal,
Kundan Bhawan, 126,
Model Gram, Ludhiana - 141002(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Chief Vigilance Officer,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chief Vigilance Officer,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 78 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Rajiv Saggur, Superintendent-cum-PIO, in person.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
The RTI request is dated 08.08.2020. First appeal is dated 17.09.2020. Second
appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.12.2020.

Sh. Rajiv Saggur, Superintendent-cum-PIO, who appeared in person in today's
hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, a reply has already been sent to the appellant
vide letter no. 1445 dated 21.10.2020 and a decision on the first appeal of the appellant was also
decided and a copy of decision of First Appellate Authority was also sent to him (the appellant)
vide letter no. 577 dated 19.02.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been
sent to the Commission vide letter no. 782 dated 08.03.2021, which has been received in the
Commission vide Diary No. 6566 dated 22.03.2021. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate (authorized representative for the appellant, Sh.
Rohit Sabarwal), through a letter dated 02.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission
through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that she is unable to attend today's hearing and
requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he
has received the above-mentioned replies (which was sent to him by the respondent PIO and First
Appellate Authority) or not and also to express his grievance/grievances, if any, through a written
submission to the concerned PIO well in time with a copy to the Commission so that the same
could be counter-replied by the respondent PIO concerned. He is also advised to represent this
case in person or through his representative on the next date fixed for hearing through facility of
Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'

The case is adjourned to 29th June, 2021 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing
through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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State Information Commissioner
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Rohit Sabarwal,
Kundan Bhawan, 126,
Model Gram, Ludhiana - 141002(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Chief Vigilance Officer,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
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First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chief Vigilance Officer,
O/o The Director,
Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 80 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Rajiv Saggur, Superintendent-cum-PIO, in person.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
The RTI request is dated 08.08.2020. First appeal is dated 17.09.2020. Second
appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.12.2020.

Sh. Rajiv Saggur, Superintendent-cum-PIO, who appeared in person in today's
hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, a reply has already been sent to the appellant
vide letter no. 1399 dated 13.10.2020 and a decision on the first appeal of the appellant was also
decided and a copy of decision of First Appellate Authority was also sent to him (the appellant)
vide letter no. 216 dated 19.01.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been
sent to the Commission vide letter no. 833 dated 09.03.2021, which has been received in the
Commission vide Diary No. 6568 dated 22.03.2021. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate (authorized representative for the appellant, Sh.
Rohit Sabarwal), through a letter dated 02.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission
through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that she is unable to attend today's hearing and
requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he
has received the above-mentioned replies (which was sent to him by the respondent PIO and First
Appellate Authority) or not and also to express his grievance/grievances, if any, through a written
submission to the concerned PIO well in time with a copy to the Commission so that the same
could be counter-replied by the respondent PIO concerned. He is also advised to represent this
case in person or through his representative on the next date fixed for hearing through facility of
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Ravi Kant S/o Sh. Sansari Lal,
Krishna Bazar, Ward – 4,
Dhariwal(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director, Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director, Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 133 of 2021

Present : Sh. Ravi Kant, the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Rajiv Saggar, Superintendent O/o C. V. O. Cell ;
ii) Sh. Munish Garg, Senior Assistant O/o Director, Local Government, for the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.
The RTI request is dated 11.05.2020. First appeal is dated 09.06.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 24.12.2020.

Sh. Rajiv Saggar, Superintendent of C. V. O. Cell, who appeared in today's hearing, states that information at point no. 01 and 05 of the RTI request relates with C.V.O., Cell and a reply in connection with point no. 01 and 05 has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 01.04.2020, intimating him that an enquiry is pending with Regional Deputy Director, Local Government, Amritsar . He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 1193 dated 01.04.2021, which alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Ravi Kant, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been received by him from the respondent PIO/PIOs concerned.

Sh. Munish Garg, Senior Assistant office of Director, Local Government, who appeared in today's hearing, states that information at point no. 02 of the RTI request relates with Accounts Branch, moreover 'information demanded is not specified and information at point no. 03 relates with office of Nagar Council not with office of Local Government Punjab and regarding information at point no. 04 , efforts are being made to trace the required information so that the same could be provided to the appellant.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the appellant to specify the required information at point no. 02 and 03 of the RTI request mentioning what public interest is involved in the disclosure of such information with a copy to the Commission.

Last opportunity is also given to the respondent-PIO concerned to send a point-wise reply to point no. 02, 03 and 04 of the RTI request to the appellant and if any information, to any query/queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, is not available or not maintained in the official record, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will send/file a reply, in writing, to the particular query/queries, to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

A copy of this order be sent to the Director, Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh through registered post to ensure compliance of the above said order .

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Regd. Post) The Director, Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh



Dr. Sandeep Kumar Gupta,
H. No. 1722, Sector 14,
Hisar - 125001(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Block Primary Education Officer,
Jalalabad – 1,
Distt. - Fazilka (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Education Officer(Elem.),
Fazilka (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 149 of 2021

Present : Dr. Sandeep Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.
Ms. Vaishali Sethi, Office Assistant O/o D. E. O.(E), Fazilka, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER.

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 19.07.2020. First appeal is dated 29.08.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 24.12.2020.

Ms. Vaishali Sethi, Office Assistant office of District Education Officer(Elem.), Fazilka, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

The appellant, Dr. Sandeep Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the information given to him is not as per queries raised by him through RTI request.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies, which would be pointed out by the appellant, to him with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

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Ajay Kumar S/o Sh. Ram Rakha,
H. No. A – 1346, Street – 01,
Radha Swami Colony,
Fazilka(Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

i) Public Information Officer,
O/o Sri Har Parsad Jain Vidya Pracharni Sabha,
Sri Jain Elementry Primary School,
Fazilka(Punjab)

ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The District Education Officer(Elem.),
Fazilka(Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 10 of 2021

Present : Sh. Ajay Kumar, the complainant in person.
i) Ms. Rajinder Kaur, Clerk O/o D.E.O.(E), Fazilka ;
ii) Sh. Atul Jain, Manager of Jain Elementary Primary School, Fazilka, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 06.11.2020. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 15.12.2020.

The complainant, Sh. Ajay Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has received only a reply from the respondent but no information.

Ms. Rajinder Kaur, Clerk office of District Education Officer(Elem.), Fazilka and Sh. Atul Jain, Manager of Jain Elementary Primary School, Fazilka, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, state that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the complainant.

They also explained that at point no. 01 and 02 of the RTI request, list has been given and at point no 03 of the RTI request, whatever information is available in the record, has been given but the complainant is demanding a special letter for approval, if any, whereas, no such letter is available in the official record. And at point no 04 of the RTI request, the complainant has demanded copy of attendance, copy of resolution passed for shuffling of members and approval letter of Headmaster for the meeting held on 11.03.2020 and Sh. Ajay Kumar (the complainant), himself is Principal/Incharge/Headmaster/PIO)

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to file a point wise reply, in writing, to each and every query, raised by the complainant through his RTI request as per official record by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the complainant to confirm whether he has received the information/reply or not.

The case is adjourned to 29th June, 2021 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Rohit Sharma, Advocate,
Chamber o. 320, Lawyers Chambers,
2nd Floor, District Courts,
Bathinda (Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Chairman,
Water Supply & Sanitation Department,
Phase – II, S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 19 of 2020

Present : None on behalf of the complainant.
Sh. Darshan Singh, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 28.10.2020. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 24.12.2020.

After examining the case-file, it emerges that the respondent PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 925 dated 24.02.2021, signed by Superintending Engineer,(Technical) office of Water Supply & Sanitation Department ,S. A. S. Nagar, showing that the RTI request of the complainant was transferred vide letter no. 5865 dated 19.11.2020 to office of Deputy Director (Admin.), Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Patiala. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

Sh. Darshan Singh, Superintendent of office of Water Supply & Sanitation Department, Patiala, who appeared in today's hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information of 116 pages has already been sent to the complainant vide letter no. 4507 dated 23.12.2020 and again vide letter no. 526 dated 17.02.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply in an affidavit signed by himself has also been sent to the Commission vide letter dated 05.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 6566 dated 22.03.2021. It is taken on record.

Neither the complainant, Sh. Rohit Sharma, Advocate nor his representative is present in today's hearing.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the complainant to confirm whether the 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 well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. He is also advised to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date fixed for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 29th June, 2021 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Ms. Shanti
W/o Sh. Gopal Dass,
H. No. 249-B, Luxmi Bagh,
Ward No. 14,
Dhuri, Distt. - Sangrur(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 171 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Ms. Palwinder Kaur, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 21.09.2020. First appeal is dated 19.10.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 28.12.2020.

The appellant, Ms. Shanti, is not present in today's hearing.

Ms. Palwinder Kaur, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the letter, regarding which the present status report has been sought through RTI request, is pending for enquiry in the office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dhuri.

As no written-reply, regarding enquiry, has been received in the Commission from the respondent PIO concerned, hence, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to send a copy of the reply, if any sent to the appellant, to the Commission. If any information, to any query/queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, is not available or not maintained in the official record, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will send/file a reply, in writing, to the particular query/queries, to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 29th June, 2021 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Kuldip Kumar Kaura (Retd. Lecturer),
H. No. 5-C, Phase – 1,
Urban Estate, Focal Point,
Ludhiana – 141010(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Commissioner(Zonal),
Zone – B, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner(Zonal),
Zone – B, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 234 of 2020

Present : Sh. Kuldip Kumar Kaura, the appellant in person.
Sh. Anil Bakshi, Clerk of Health Branch, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 07.08.2019. First appeal is dated 06.10.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 07.01.2020.

Sh. Anil Bakshi, Clerk of Health Branch, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that complete information has been supplied to the appellant. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter dated 01.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, appended to which is an acknowledgment receipt signed by the appellant of having received the requisite information. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Kuldip Kumar Kaura, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has received incomplete information from Health Branch.

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 mentioning the concerned branch (from whom the information is pending) well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies, which would be pointed out by the appellant, to him within ten days after receiving the same (deficiencies) from the appellant, with a copy to the Commission.

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H. No. 5-C, Phase – 1,
Urban Estate, Focal Point,
Ludhiana – 141010(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Commissioner(Zonal),
Zone – A, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner(Zonal),
Zone – A, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 236 of 2020

Present : Sh. Kuldip Kumar Kaura, the appellant in person.
Sh. Sandeep Sharma, S. D. O. (O & M Cell), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 11.10.2019. First appeal is dated 18.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 07.01.2020.

The appellant, Sh. Kuldip Kumar Kaura, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.

Sh. Sandeep Sharma, S. D. O. (O & M Cell), who appeared in today's hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, complete information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 01.04.2021 through registered post. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 261-62 dated 01.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

As the information is sent by the respondent PIO to the appellant vide letter dated 01.04.2021 and probably the same would be received by the appellant within coming two or three days.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which was sent to him by the respondent PIO vide letter dated 01.04.2021 and also 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 by the next date of hearing.

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Ludhiana – 141010(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Commissioner(Zonal),
Zone – D, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner(Zonal),
Zone – D, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 233 of 2020

Present : Sh. Kuldip Kumar Kaura, the appellant in person.
Sh. Balwinder Singh, Junior Engineer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 11.10.2019. First appeal is dated 19.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 07.01.2020.

The appellant, Sh. Kuldip Kumar Kaura, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.

Sh. Balwinder Singh, Junior Engineer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, complete information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 01.04.2021 through registered post. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 26 dated 01.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

An opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to send a copy the supplied information (already sent to the appellant) to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which was sent to him by the respondent PIO vide letter dated 01.04.2021 and also 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.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies, which would be pointed out by the appellant, to him within ten days after receiving the same (deficiencies) from the appellant, with a copy to the Commission.

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

...Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Chairperson,
Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana(Punjab)

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

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1475 of 2019

Present : Sh. Gurmej Lal on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Jasvinder Singh, S. D. O. (Technical) ;
ii) Sh. Harmeet Singh, Junior Assistant-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 26.12.2018. First appeal is dated 28.01.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.04.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 05.01.2021, the respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the required information to the appellant and a penalty of Rs. 10,000/- was imposed upon the concerned PIO.

Sh. Harmeet Singh, Junior Assistant-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that penalty amount of Rs. 10,000/- which was imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer vide order dated 05.04.2021 has been deposited . A copy of e-challan receipt dated 03.03.2021, has been sent to the Commission. It is taken on record.

Sh. Jasvinder Singh, S. D. O. (Technical), who appeared on behalf of respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the appellant did not visit the office of the respondent despite the fact that he (the appellant) himself was directed to visit the office personally.

Sh. Gurmej Lal, on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill, who appeared in person in today's hearing, requests for an adjournment in the instant appeal-case

Nevertheless, the appellant (Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill himself) is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to on 28.04.2021 at 11:00 A. M. and collect the required information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information to the appellant (Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill) during his visit to office on 28.04.2021 at 11:00 A. M.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill (the appellant himself) is advised to represent this case in person on the next date fixed for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits

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Krishan Kumar Singla,
H. No. 195/2, Sector 45-A,
Chandigarh (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Chief Engineer,
Punjab Mandi Board,
Sector 65-A, Mandi Bhawan,
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Director(Administration),
Punjab Mandi Board,
Sector 65-A, Mandi Bhawan,
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1379 of 2020

Present : Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla, the appellant in person.
Ms. Jaswinder Kaur, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 12.12.2019. First appeal is dated 19.02.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 29.05.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 05.01.2021, the respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post 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.

Ms. Jaswinder Kaur, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that certified copies of the required information has been supplied to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has received the information but the information supplied to him is not legible.

Nevertheless, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to on 12.04.2021 at 11:00 A. M. and collect the required information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the legible copies of the required information to the appellant during his visit to office on 12.04.2021 at 11:00 A. M

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not.

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Krishan Kumar Singla,
H. No. 195/2,
Sector 45-A,
Chandigarh (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Divisional Forest Officer(Wildlife),
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

Encl : RTI request

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Divisional Forest Officer(Wildlife),
Forest Complex, Sector 68,
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1227 of 2020

Present : Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 03.01.2020. First appeal is dated 06.02.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.05.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 05.01.2021, the respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post 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.

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

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 the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 05.01.2021.

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 Divisional Forest Officer(Wildlife), S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali), as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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 through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings', 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 with RTI request be sent to him through registered post.

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Last opportunity is given 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 send a copy of the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the appellant, to the Commission by 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.

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Jatinder Kumar
C/o Sachkhand Mishtan Bhandar,
Nehru Gate, Nawanshaher(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

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

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4280 of 2019

Present : Sh. Jatinder Kumar, the appellant in person.
Sh. Harsh Kumar, Accountant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 08.07.2019. First appeal is dated 20.08.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.11.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 05.01.2021, the respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post 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.

The appellant, Sh. Jatinder Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that information at point no. 07 of the RTI request is still pending.

Sh. Harsh Kumar, Accountant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that a reply has already been given to the appellant vide letter no. 560 dated 05.04.2021, mentioning that in C.O.C.P. No. 932 of 2019 (Notice Contempt of Court) a Lawyer from a panel of Lawyers was appointed through verbal orders of Hon'ble Director, Local Government, Punjab to represent the case. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 560 dated 05.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

As the reply is sent by the respondent PIO to the appellant vide letter dated 05.04.2021 (i. e. today itself) and probably the same would be received by the appellant within coming two or three days.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the above-mentioned reply, which was sent to him by the respondent PIO vide letter dated 05.01.2021 and also express his grievance/grievances, if any, through a written submission to the concerned PIO through registered post with a copy to the Commission well in time so that the same could be counter-replied by the respondent PIO concerned.

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(Regd. Post)

Ravi Kumar
S/o Sh. Dharminder Kumar,
H. No. 107,
Back Side Santpura Gurudwara Sahib,
Patiala Gate, Sangrur(Punjab)

....Appellant

Encl: letter no. 562 dated 05.08.2020

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Punjab Mandi Board, Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Colonization Department, Punjab,
Sector 35-A, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2303 of 2020

Present : Sh. Ravi Kumar, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated NIL. First appeal is dated 11.03.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 26.08.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 22.02.2021, Sh. Joginder Singh, Superintendent office of Director, Colonization, Chandigarh and Sh. Deenpal Singh, Secretary, Market Committee, Sangrur, came present and stated that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 562 dated 05.08.2020 by the office of Divisional Town Planner, Punjab Mandi Board, Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar. The appellant, Sh. Ravi Kumar, was not present and an opportunity was given to the appellant to express his grievance/grievances, if any, through a written submission to the concerned PIO through registered post with a copy to the Commission well in time so that the same could be counter-replied by the respondent PIO concerned.

Neither the respondent PIO nor his representative is present in today's hearing.

The appellant, Sh. Ravi Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has not received any reply/information till date.

As the reply given vide letter no. 562 dated 05.08.2020 by the office of Divisional Town Planner, Punjab Mandi Board, Punjab, S. A. S. Nagar, is received in the Commission through an e-mail and placed in the case-file, hence a copy of the reply given vide letter no. 562 dated 05.08.2020 be sent to the appellant alongwith this order through registered post.

An opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to send the reply given vide letter no. 562 dated 05.08.2020 again to the appellant through registered post with a copy to the Commission and also to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to express his grievance/grievances, if any, through a written submission to the concerned PIO through registered post with a copy to the Commission well in time so that the same could be counter-replied by the respondent PIO concerned.

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Shailender S/o Sh. Surinder Singh,
4 – E, Kailash Nagar,
Fazilka - 152123(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Engineer(Civil),
Punjab Mandi Board,
Fazilka (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chief Engineer(North/South),
Punjab Mandi Board, 'Mandi Bhawan',
Sector 65, S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2380 of 2020

Present : Sh. Shailender Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Executive Engineer, in person.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 11.12.2019. First appeal is dated 09.03.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 31.08.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 22.02.2021, the respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information (as per queries raised through RTI request) to the appellant during his visit to office on 23.02.2021 with the directions that if information is less than 100(Hundred) pages then supply the same to the appellant and if more than 100 pages then supply the same in C D Form.

The appellant, Sh. Shailender Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he visited the office of the respondent and assurance was given to him that information would be sent to him by 05.03.2021 but no information has been given to him till date.

Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Executive Engineer, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the required information of 176 pages has been sent to the appellant vide letter no. 1457 dated 31.03.2021 through registered post. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 1471 dated 01.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It, alongwith copy of postal-receipt, is taken on record.

As the information is sent by the respondent PIO to the appellant on 01.04.2021 and probably the same would be received by the appellant within coming two or three days.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which was sent to him by the respondent PIO vide letter dated 01.04.2021 and also 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 by the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 29th June, 2021 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Navneet Sharma
S/o Sh. Updesh Raj Sharma,
H. No. 08, Golden Avenue,
New Friends Colony,
Ferozpur City - 152002(Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Superintending Engineer,
Water Drainage and Construction Division,
Ferozpur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 812 of 2020

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

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 28.08.2020. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 26.10.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 22.02.2021, neither the complainant nor the respondent was present and an opportunity was given to the respondent-PIO concerned to send a point wise reply to the queries raised by the complainant through his RTI request through registered post. An opportunity was also given to the complainant to confirm whether he received the reply (sent by respondent PIO) or not.

Neither the complainant, Sh. Navneet Sharma nor the respondent is present in today's hearing.

Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

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