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Shri Ravi Kumar S/o Shri Avtar Chand, R/o Patti Chhokram, Teshil Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

# **Public Information Officer**

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer (BDPO), Rurka Kalan,Distt. Jalandhar.

# First Appellate Authority

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer (DDPO), Jalandhar.

...Respondents

# AC No.4428/2021

# Present:(i)ShriRavi Kumar, Appellant.(ii)None on behalf of the PIO/respondent.ORDER

## (Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.01.2022 passed by this Bench on

the previous hearing.

2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ravi Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that no information has been supplied to him so far.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Bundala, Block Rurka Kalan, District Jalandhar has come present to attend the hearing in person nor through cisco webex nor he has supplied information to the appellant.

4. The Bench observes that the PIO was absent on the previous hearing also and the appellant has also not been provided requisite information. As such, a show cause notice was issued to him but no reply has been filed to the show cause notice. On enquiring from the appellant, he apprises the Bench of the name and mobile number of Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat Bundala, Shri Sukhdev Singh. He is contacted on mobile phone. In spite of repeated attempts made to contact him, he does not respond to the phone calls. Thus, the Bench is not in a position to proceed further in the instant appeal case unless the version of both the appellant and the PIO is heard and as such, the Bench deems it appropriate to adjourn the matter.





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5. The PIO Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat Bundala, Block Rurka Kalan, District Jalandhar is directed to supply requisite information to the appellant and file reply to the show cause notice. He is also directed to ensure to come present in person bringing along the copy of information supplied and the relevant record and produce the same before the Bench

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
12.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the orders be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Chanderdeep Maggu, Advocate, Chamber No.172, Block C, District Court Complex, Fazilka.

.....Appellant

Versus

# **Public Information Officer**

O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer (DDPO), Fazilka.

# First Appellate Authority

O/o Addl.Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Fazilka.

...Respondents

# AC No.4430/2021

Present:	(i)	Appellant- absent.
	(ii)	None on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

# <u>ORDER</u>

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.01.2022 passed by this Bench on

the previous hearing.

2. The case has been heard today. Shri Chanderdeep Maggu, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Fazilka, has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing.

4. The Bench, on perusal of the case file, observes that the appellant has been supplied information by the BDPO, Fazilka vide letter dated 17.01.2022.

5. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, he states that the information supplied is incomplete/partial and refers to his letter sent to the Commission dated 28.01.2022 wherein he has pointed out deficiencies to the BDPO Fazilka and states that he has not received the rectified information after removal of deficiencies.



#### AC No.4430/2021

6. The Bench observes that the PIO was issued show cause notice on the previous hearing, but no reply to the show cause notice has been filed nor complete rectified information addressing the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant has been supplied. The PIO is directed to comply with the directions of the Bench in totality and ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
12.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the orders be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Shakti Bhushan S/o Shri Kewal Krishan Kaushal R/o Street Bhaini Sahib, Ward No.8, Dhanaula, District Barnala.

.....Appellant

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Motor Vehicle Registration Authority, Hoshiarpur.

#### First Appellate Authority

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Hoshiarpur.

....Respondents

#### AC No.1095 of 2020

# Present: (i) Shri Shakti Bhushan, Appellant (ii) None on behalf of PIO O/o Secretary, RTA, Hoshiarpur.

## <u>ORDER</u>

# (Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.

2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Shakti Bhushan, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has received some of the information sought by him and the remaining information has not been supplied in spite of the assurance given by the PIO.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Secretary, R.T.A., Hoshiarpur has come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing. The PIO Shri Raman Kumar who had attended the hearing dated 13.10.2021 is contacted on mobile phone. He states that he has been transferred and gives the mobile number of present incumbent Shri Surinder Bhandari, Section Officer, who is then contacted on mobile. He is apprised of the hearing in the case. He, however, states that as he is not feeling well and is on leave and requests for adjournment of the hearing to another date to enable him to supply complete information to the appellant. The Bench apprises the appellant of the same.

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#### AC No.1095/2020

4. The Bench observes that the PIO has neither supplied complete information nor has filed reply to the show cause notice. The Bench again directs the PIO to supply balance of information to the appellant and also to file reply to the show cause notice. After supplying the information, the Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public in consonance with the directions given during the hearing on 28.09.2020. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and copy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

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5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 12.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Smt. Daljeet Kaur D/o Late Sh.Santokh Singh, H.No.1310/19, Phase-11, Sector-65, Mohali.

Versus

# **Public Information Officer**

O/o Greater Mohali Area Development Authority(GMADA), Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority** O/o Greater Mohali Area Development Authority(GMADA), Mohali.

#### ....Respondents

# AC No.3201 of 2021

#### Smt. Daljeet Kaur, Appellant. (i) Shri Gurvinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer, GMADA, Mohali, (ii) on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

# ORDER:

# (Heard through Cisco Webex/on mobile phone)

This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.01.2022 passed by this Bench on 1. the previous hearing.

2. The case has been heard today. Smt. Daljeet Kaur, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. She reiterates her statement made during the previous hearing and states that the rectified information after removal of deficiencies has not been received by her and she has not been apprised of any outstanding amount against the flat mentioned in her RTI application nor provided any No Dues Certificate. She has also not been provided the copy of guidelines regarding the right of legal heirs after the death of GPA holder of the flat.

3. Shri Gurvinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer/PIO O/o GMADA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. Due to technical glitch in connectivity through cisco webex, he is contacted on mobile phone and apprised of the version of the appellant. He states that the information has been provided to the appellant as made available by the Accounts Branch of GMADA. However, regarding the copy of guidelines as sought by the appellant, she has been sent reply that this information can be had from the Tehsil Office as GPA is registered in the Tehsil office.



... Appellant

Present:



AC No.3201/2021

4. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office on any working day and allow her access to the relevant official records. The information as may be identified by the appellant be provided to her before the next hearing.

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5. The PIO O/o GMADA, Mohali is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice issued during the hearing on 18.10.2021 as also to ensure to come present to attend the hearing.

With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
 12.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Karnail Singh, #2463, Street No.7, Sewa Pura, Village Kalmiya Wala, Dera Gill Road,Ludhiana-141003.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer** O/o Chairman-cum-Managing Director, Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd., Patiala.

# **Public Information Officer**

O/o Chief Engineer,HRD Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd., Patiala.

# First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Engineer, HRD, Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd., Patiala.

....Respondents

## AC No.3232 of 2021

# Present:(i)Shri Karnail Singh, Appellant, in person .(ii)None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

# ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.01.2022 passed by this Bench on

the previous hearing.

2. The case has been heard today. Shri Karnail Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through in person before the Bench. The appellant states that the information has been supplied to him by Dy. Chief Accounts Officer (P&F), PSPCL, Patiala and Addl. S.E, PSPCL Division, Raikot. However, the information relating to Technical Wing is still pending which is to be supplied by the PIO O/o Chief Engineer, HRD, PSPCL, Patiala.

3. The Bench observes that the PIO O/o Chief Engineer, HRD, PSPCL, Patiala was impleaded as Respondent No.2 during the previous hearing and was directed to supply information to the appellant before the next hearing as also to ensure to come present to attend the next hearing. But he has failed to comply with the directions of the Bench, which is viewed adversely.





#### AC No.3232/2021

4. The PIO O/o Chief Engineer, HRD, PSPCL, Patiala is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and for not supplying information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by her in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply 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.

6. The PIO O/o Chief Engineer, HRD, PSPCL, Patiala is directed to comply with the directions of the Bench and also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 12.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 05.04.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Gurcharan Singh, S/o Shri Darshan Singh, Village Bhudan, Tehsil & Distt. Malerkotla-148023.

...Appellant

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board, Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority** O/o Sr. Environmental Engineer,

Punjab Pollution Control Board, Patiala.

....Respondents

#### AC No.3204 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Gurcharan Singh, Appellant, in person. (ii) None on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

#### (Heard in person/on mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.01.2022 passed by this Bench on

the previous hearing.

2. The case has been heard today. Shri Gurcharan Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that a rice sheller was set up in joint name with his brother and when he came to know that the said sheller is in the name of his brother and he is only working there, he got the Consent to Operate cancelled, But later on, he came to know that the said sheller has again been given Consent to Operate though the land on which the sheller is situated, is in dispute regarding its ownership and accordingly, he has sought information/document on the basis of which the Consent to Operate has been issued. He further states that he has received reply that the said information is in the question form and as such, cannot be provided under the RTI Act.

3. Neither the PIO has come present in person or through cisco webex nor has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. Shri Rajiv Gupta, Environmental Engineer, Regional Office-II, PPCB, Sangrur/ PIO who had come present to attend the previous hearing, is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, he states that the information is ready with him and will be sent to

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#### AC No.3204/2021

the appellant and also states that if the appellant could get it by hand, the same can be handed over to him tomorrow. He further states that the appellant be advised to deposit fee for the supply of information.

4. The Appellant, on the asking of the Bench, states that he can visit the office of PIO to collect the information after 10.04.2022. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant by registered post as well as by e.mail, free of cost.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 12.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Chandigarh 05.04.2022

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Shri Kamaljit Singh Anand, . S/o Sh.Jaipal Singh Chamber No.5014. 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, District Courts, Ludhiana-141010.

.....Appellant

Versus

# **Public Information Officer**

O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Zone-D, Ludhiana.

# **Public Information Officer**

O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Zone-D, B&R Branch, Ludhiana.

# **PIO/Superintendent**,

Tehbazari Branch, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana

#### First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o The Commissioner. Municipal Corporation Zone-D. Ludhiana.

(i)

....Respondents

# AC No.1625 of 2020

Present:

- Shri Kamaljit Singh, Appellant. Shri Harish Chander, Superintendent(HQs)/PIO, Tehbazari Branch (ii)
- along with Shri Ajay Kumar, Clerk, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.
- (iii) Shri Harjit Singh, SDO, B&R, Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana

# ORDER

# (Heard through Cisco Webex/On Mobile Phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 18.10.2021 passed by this Bench on

the previous date of hearing.

2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Kamaljit Singh Anand, appellant

comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex.

3. Shri Harjit Singh, SDO B&R Zone-B comes present in person to attend the hearing on behalf

of the PIO and states that the information relating to Zone B has been given to the appellant.

Shri Harish Chander, Superintendent(HQs) come present along with Shri Ajay Kumar, Clerk, 4.

Tehbazari Branch, M.C. Ludhiana to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the appellant

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was called to office vide letters dated 18.03.2021 and 06.05.2021 to inspect the records so as to supply him information but he failed to do so. Then on 16.07.2021, the sought for information was sent to the appellant on his WhatsApp and on para 2 & 3 of his RTI application, the reply was sent on 20.07.2021 by registered post. Thereafter, the appellant was again called for inspection of records vide letter dated 20.09.2021, but the appellant did not turn up. Thereafter, in pursuance of orders of Hon'ble Commission dated 24.01.2022, the appellant was again called on 28.03.2022 to inspect the records, but he did not come. He further states that action to remove the Generators being used on Govt. land unauthorisedly, was taken by Tehbazari Branch and states that photographs affirming this version were also sent to the appellant.

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5. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he did visit the office of PIO on 28.03.2021, but he was not attended by any of the officials of Tehbazari Branch and that he is not satisfied with the statement of PIO regarding removal of encroachments on Government land, as the issues raised by him have still not been addressed completely.

6. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO-cum-Superintendent, Tehbazari Branch (HQ), Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana to again call the appellant to the office on any working day and allow him access to the relevant official records to identify the information as per his RTI application and provide him the information so identified before the next date of hearing. The PIO is also directed to ask Shri Vijay Kumar, Clerk, reported to be the concerned official, to attend to the appellant and facilitate him in the inspection of relevant official records, for which the appellant be apprised of the contact number of Shri Vijay Kumar.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 12.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Major Singh Tiwana, S/o Shri Sadhu Singh Village & PO Neelon Kalan, Tehsil Samrala, District Ludhiana. Punga State Mormation

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer** O/o Block Development and, Panchayat Officer (BDPO), Machhiwara Sahib, District Ludhiana.

# **Public Information Officer**

Junior Engineer, O/o BDPO Mahhiwara Sahib District Ludhiana.

# First Appellate Authority

O/o District Development and, Panchayat Officer (DDPO), District Ludhiana.

...Respondents

# AC No.3603 of 2021

# Present: (i) Shri Major Singh Tiwana, Appellant along with Sub Gurmeet Singh, in person.

(ii) Shri Rama Kant, Superintendent and Shri Sandeep Singh, Junior Engineer, O/o BDOP Machhiwara Sahib, Distt. Ludhiana,in person.

# <u>ORDER</u>

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.

2. The case has been heard today. Shri Major Singh Tiwana along with Subedar Gurmeet Singh, comes present in person to attend the hearing. He states that the information sought by him has not been supplied so far nor he has been called for inspection of records.

3. Shri Rama Kant, Superintendent O/o BDPO Machhiwara Sahib along with Shri Sandeep Singh, Junior Engineer comes present to attend the hearing in person. They state that earlier the hearing was attended by Shri Raghbir Singh, Panchayat Secretary and they were not aware of facts of this appeal case. Now, after coming to know of the hearing, they have come present before the Bench and have also brought along the related record.



# AC No.3603/2021

4. The Bench, on hearing the version of the representatives of PIO/BDPO, Machhiwara Sahib, directs them to sit in the adjoining court room and show the record brought along to the appellant.

5. After perusing the record, the appellant states that the record produced before him is at variance and is not exactly the same as he has sought vide his RTI application.

6. Post deliberations, the PIO O/o BDPO Machhiwara Sahib and Shri Sudeep Kumar, Junior Engineer O/o BDPO Machhiwara Sahib, are directed to provide information to the appellant as per his RTI application and also file reply to the show cause notice. They are also directed to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.3603/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. They are further directed to come present and bring along the original affidavits, copy of information supplied as also the relevant record and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 12.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

# Chandigarh 05.04.2022

Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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- ii) Shri Raghbir Singh, Panchayat Secretary O/o BDPO Mahhiwara Sahib. District Ludhiana.

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.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer** O/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority O/o Police Commissioner,

Ludhiana.

...Respondents

# AC No.3606 of 2021

# Present: (i) Shri Ravinder Kumar, Appellant. (ii) None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

# <u>ORDER</u>

# (Heard through cisco webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.01.2022 passed by this Bench

on the previous hearing.

2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ravinder Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He reiterates his statement made during the previous hearing that he has received reply from the PIO and he is not satisfied with the same.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana has come present nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex.

4. The Bench apprises the appellant that the PIO had intimated vide letter dated 16.11.2021 regarding the complaints made by him to be under investigation. Upon this, he states that since the challans have been presented in the Court, the investigation is complete and requests for supply of information.

5. The Bench observes that the PIO has failed to attend the third consecutive hearing and has also not filed reply to the show cause notice. The Bench cannot proceed further unless a response is received from the PIO and deems it appropriate to adjourn the matter. However, the Bench directs the PIO to



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comply with the directions of the Bench in its entirety and ensure to come present before the Bench in person on the next hearing.

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6. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 12.07.2022 at

**11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 05.04.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab