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Sh. Parminder Singh S/o Sh Sucha Singh,
Jagdish Enclave, urban Estate, Phase-3, Village Deelwal,
PO Punjabi University, Patiala-147002

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal, Govt Medical College, Patiala

First Appellate Authority

O/o Principal, Govt Medical College, Patiala

.....Respondent

AC No. 1763 of 2020
Through CISCO-Webex

Present (i) Sh Parminder Singh, Appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Ms Amita Sharma.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.02.2021 vide which a show-cause notice was issued to the Respondent-PIO.

2. The Appellant states that the complete information has not been provided to him till date. The Appellant has also filed his submission(s) vide Commission diary no. 6318 dated 18.03.2021 and via e-mail. Copy of the same is taken on record.

3. Ms Amita Sharma is appearing on behalf of the Respondent today. She is not aware of the facts of the case.

4. The perusal of the documents placed on record ascertains that the complete information has not been provided to the Appellant. The Respondent has failed to file their reply to the show-cause notice. This is indeed a serious matter. It is, thus apparent from the response of the PIO that there has been delay in providing the information. Appellant had also suffered financial loss in getting the information. There are systemic deficiencies in the manner of receiving and disposing of applications. The department still does not appear to be properly tuned to the performance of its obligations enshrined under the RTI Act. The departmental officials are not properly sensitized and trained to discharge their functions under the RTI Act 2005.



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5. I am, therefore, of the view that the Appellant deserves to be awarded compensation under Section 19(8)(b) of RTI Act 2005 for the loss and detriment suffered by him on account of delayed supply of information.

6. I am of the view that ends of justice would be met by awarding a sum of Rs. **5000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only)** by way of compensation to the Appellant. This amount shall be payable by State Exchequer within fifteen days.

It is also observed that the respondents are being represented by very low level officials who are not in a position to satisfy the commission and the appellant. From the next date of hearing, no person below the PIO or APIO will be allowed to appear. Appearance of low level officials will amount to disrespect to the RTI Act besides invoking the provisions of imposition of penalty and also award of compensation to the appellant and also recommendation of disciplinary action against the PIO under Section 20 of RTI Act, 2005.

7. To come up **30.06.2021 at 11.00 AM** for further proceedings through CISCO WEBEX. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sd/-

Dated: 05.05.2021

(Preety Chawla)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab



Sh Prem Kumar Rattan,
House No.78/8, Park Road,
Navi Mandi, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur (M-98722-20039)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur
First Appellate Authority,
O/o DC, Dhuri

.....Respondent

AC.No.1581 of 2020
Through CISCO-Webex

Present: (i) None for the Appellant

(ii) For the Respondent: Ms Manjeet Kaur, Supdt. (M-73472-34171)

ORDERS

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.02.2021 vide which the appellant was not present.

2. Today, again the Appellant is not present today. He has informed over phone that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. He has also filed his submission via e-mail. Copy of the same is taken on record.

3. The Respondent Ms Manjeet Kaur, Supdt states that the information, as available, in their official record has been provided to the Appellant.

4. After examining the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the Appellant is not present today. The Respondent states that the information, as available in their official record, has been provided to the Appellant and that there is nothing pending in their official record. Hence, the Respondent-PIO is directed to file an affidavit stating that the same before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on **30.06.2021 at 11.00 AM** for further proceedings through CISCO WEBEX. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Jaswant Singh, S/o Lt Sh. Sardara Singh, (M:9888865056)
House No 2525/B, Sector 47C, ChandigarhComplainant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director of Industries & Commerce of Industries,
(Incentive Section), Pb
Bays Building, Sector-17, ChandigarhRespondent

CC No. 226 of 2020
Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) None for the complainant
(ii) For the respondent: Ms Harshpal Kaur, Dy Director (98147-17077)

ORDERS

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.02.2021 vide which the Appellant was directed to inspect the record in the O/o Respondent.

2. Sh Jaswant Singh-Appellant is not present today.

3. The Respondent states that, as directed in the previous hearing, the Appellant had inspected the record in their office. She further states that the information, as available, in their official record has been provided to the Appellant. The Respondent has also filed their reply vide Commission diary no.7971 dated 07.04.2021. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, it is observed that the respondent has sent his reply, but it is not satisfactory. Hence, he is directed to file his specific, point-wise reply on oath paper before the next date of hearing.

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Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan, House No. 78/8, Park Road,
NaviMandi, Dhuri, Distt. Sangrur (9872220039)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Dhuri, Distt. Sangrur

First Appellate Authority-cum-
SDM, Dhuri

.....Respondent

AC No. 1585 of 2020
Through CISCO WEBEX

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.02.2021.

2. The Appellant is not present today. He has informed over phone that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. He has also filed his submission via e-mail. Copy of the same is taken on record.

3. No one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today.

4. Hence, an opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case. To come up on 30.06.2021 at 11.00 AM for further proceedings through CISCO WEBEX. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate(M-9814924851)
#8/237, Jagraon Road, Mandi Mullanpur,
District Ludhiana-141101

Vs

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o Supdt. MC, Moga
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner, MC, Moga

.....Respondent

AC.No. 336 of 2020
Through CISCO WEBEX

Present:(i) Sh Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Harvinder Singh, PIO-cum-ATP (98148-47495)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.02.2021 vide which the appellant was not present.

2. Today, the Appellant states that the complete information has not been provided to him so far.

3. The Respondent states that the information sought by the Appellant is very voluminous. Hence, he may inspect the record in their office. They have also filed their reply via e-mail. Copy of the same is taken on record.

4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the case file, the Appellant is directed to visit the office of respondent on **10.05.2021 at 11:00AM**, inspect the relevant records, identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provided copies thereof, according to his RTI application, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. To come up on To come up on 30.06.2021 **at 11.00 AM** for further proceedings through CISCO WEBEX. Copy of the order be sent to the parties. **(Usage Steps: Install Cisco Webex<click on JOIN MEETING, Write Meeting Number: 1582069360)**

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Sh Sushil Kumar, S/o Sh. Nand Lal
Green Avenue Market, Near Satar VDO Cinema,
Malerkotla- 148023

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Director, Local Government,
Patiala

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Director, Local Government,
Patiala

.....Respondent

AC No. 3408 of 2020

Through CISCO-Webex

Present : None for the parties

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 30.03.2021.

2. Today neither the Appellant nor the Respondent is present today. Hence, an opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case.

3. To come up on 30.06.2021 at 11.00 AM for further proceedings through CISCO WEBEX. Copy of the order be sent to the parties. **(Usage Steps: Install Cisco Webex<click on JOIN MEETING, Write Meeting Number: 1582069360)**

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Sh. Swaran Singh, Village Mahmood Khane ke,
Tehsil Jalalabad (West), Distt. Fazilka

-----Appellant

Vs.

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Guruharsahai, Distt. Fazilka

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Ferozepur

-----Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2013 of 2019
(Through CISCO-Webex)

Present: (i) Sh Swaran Singh, the Appellant
(ii) None for the Respondent

ORDERS

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.02.2021 vide which the appellant was not present.

2. Today, the Appellant - Sh. Swaran Singh states that he has received the draft of compensation after the necessary corrections by the Respondent-PIO. Further, he states that the complete information has not been provided to him.

3 No one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today. However, they have filed their reply via e-mail.

4. After perusing the case file, it is ascertained that the complete information has not been provided to the Appellant till date. No one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today. Hence, the Respondent-PIO is directed to provide complete information to the Appellant before the next date of hearing. Further, it may be made clear that in case no one appears on the next date of hearing, then penalty provisions may be evoked against the erring officials.

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