

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

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Food Safety Officer,
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Civil Surgeon,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 260 of 2019

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

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and Ms. Puneet Sharma, Food Safety Officer, appeared for the respondent PIO and orally stated that RTI request of the appellant was never received in the office of the respondent and only after receiving the notice of hearing sent by the Commission, she came present before the Commission and sought an adjournment in this case. Accordingly, last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the appellant by registered post. He/she(the respondent PIO concerned) was also directed to appear in person before the Commission alongwith relevant information.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, is not present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter dated 05.08.2019, signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Food Safety Officer, Patiala, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail dated 05.08.2019, has requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing. The respondent PIO concerned is also directed to appear in person before the Commission alongwith relevant information on the next date of hearing to represent this case.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**
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Date : 5th August, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Tejinder Singh,
Village Bholapur,
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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Food Safety Officer,
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Civil Surgeon,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 303 of 2019

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

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and Ms. Puneet Sharma, Food Safety Officer, appeared for the respondent PIO and sought an adjournment in this case so that complete information could be supplied to the appellant. Accordingly, last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, by registered post. He/she(the respondent PIO concerned) was also directed to appear in person before the Commission alongwith relevant information.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, is not present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter dated 05.08.2019, signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Food Safety Officer, Patiala, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail dated 05.08.2019, has requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing. The respondent PIO concerned is also directed to appear in person before the Commission alongwith relevant information on the next date of hearing to represent this case.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**
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(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Regd. Post) **Tejinder Singh,**
Village Bholapur, Post Office - Ramgarh,
Encl : Chd. Road, Ludhiana-141123 (Punjab)Appellant
V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Assistant Civil Surgeon,
Ludhiana (Punjab)
First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Civil Surgeon,
Ludhiana (Punjab)Respondents

Appeal Case No. 166 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Mandeep Singh, Information Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and the concerned respondent PIO was directed to send the remaining information in connection with point no. 02 of the RTI request to the appellant through registered post and produce a copy of the postal receipt in the Commission.

Sh. Mandeep Singh, Information Assistant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 302-303 dated 24.07.2019 signed by District Family Welfare officer, Ludhiana, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information consisting of sixty pages has been sent to the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh vide letter no. 301 dated 24.07.2019 through registered post. It, alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record. He also states that that he has also brought the remaining information of four pages in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission. The information of four pages, submitted by the representative of the respondent, is also taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, is not present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case.

The information of four pages, submitted by the representative of the respondent during the hearing be sent to the appellant alongwith this order through registered post at his residential address.

Since the information stands supplied and no cause of action is left in this case, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

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Tejinder Singh,

Village Bholapur, Post Office Ramgarh,
Chd. Road, Ludhiana-141123 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The District Health Officer,
Amritsar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Joint Commissioner,
Drugs & Food Administration, Punjab,
Kharar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 267 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.

Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, Food Safety Officer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, Food Safety Officer, appeared for the respondent PIO and orally stated that the concerned clerk, in whose custody the required official-record is kept, is not available, moreover, record-room is locked, hence, required documents could not be produced before the Commission. She also sought an adjournment in this case. Accordingly, another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the certified copies of the complete information to the Appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, is not present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case.

Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, Food Safety Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 887 dated 25.06.2019 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Food Safety Officer office of Civil Surgeon, Amritsar, showing that in response to the RTI request, reply has been sent to the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, intimating him that in connection with point no. 01 the sought for enquiry report is pending and information in connection with point no. 02 of the RTI request has been sent to the appellant through ordinary post. It is also taken on record.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to send the requisite information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address and produce a copy of the postal receipt in the Commission on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

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

Ms. Gursimran Kaur,
R/o 836, MIG, P.H.B. Colony,
Jamalpur, Ludhiana(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Health and Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector 34- A, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Health and Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector 34- A, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 268 of 2019

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

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and as the information, which relates with office of Civil Surgeon, Hoshiarpur, was supplied to the appellant and the appellant has shown his satisfaction over the same, hence, representative of office of Civil Surgeon, Hoshiarpur was exempted from personal appearance in further hearings of this case. For rest of the information, the concerned PIO of office of Director, Health Services, Punjab, Chandigarh, was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information as per queries raised by him through RTI request except point no. 04 to the appellant or file a reply in writing, stating that whatever information is available in the official record, has been supplied to the appellant and no other information apart from the information supplied, is available in the official record.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, is not present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case.

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.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer of office of Director, Health and Family Welfare, Punjab, Chandigarh, 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.

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The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

Another opportunity is also given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the complete information the appellant, as per query raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to represent this case in person or through his representative alongwith relevant official record on the next date of hearing positively, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to 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.

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Rakesh Kumar Gupta
R/o # 8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur,
Distt.Ludhiana-141101(Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

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

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3445 of 2018

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and the appellant was not present, hence, an opportunity was given to the representatives of the respondent PIO concerned to bring the required information in the Commission so that the Appellant could go through the same during the hearing.

Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that he has brought the requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta during the hearing in the Commission. He also handed over the same to Sh. Tejinder Singh (representative of the appellant) during the hearing in the Commission. He also submits a reply vide letter no. 761 dated 02.08.2019, which is taken on record.

Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, during the proceedings of the instant appeal case, seeks an adjournment in this case so that the appellant could go through supplied information.

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

The case is **adjourned to 9th October, 2019 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

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Date : 5th August, 2019

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Distt.Ludhiana-141101(Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)
First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3446 of 2018

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and the appellant was not present, hence, an opportunity was given to the representatives of the respondent PIO concerned to bring the required information in the Commission so that the Appellant could go through the same during the hearing.

Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that he has brought the requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta during the hearing in the Commission. He also handed over the same to Sh. Tejinder Singh (representative of the appellant) during the hearing in the Commission. He also submits a reply vide letter no. 759 dated 02.08.2019, which is taken on record.

Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, during the proceedings of the instant appeal case, seeks an adjournment in this case so that the appellant could go through supplied information.

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

The case is **adjourned to 9th October, 2019 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**
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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Rakesh Kumar Gupta
R/o # 8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur,
Distt.Ludhiana-141101(Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)
First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3447 of 2018

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and the appellant was not present, hence, an opportunity was given to the representatives of the respondent PIO concerned to bring the required information in the Commission so that the Appellant could go through the same during the hearing.

Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that he has brought the requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta during the hearing in the Commission. He also handed over the same to Sh. Tejinder Singh (representative of the appellant) during the hearing in the Commission. He also submits a reply vide letter no. 757 dated 02.08.2019, which is taken on record.

Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, during the proceedings of the instant appeal case, seeks an adjournment in this case so that the appellant could go through supplied information.

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

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Ludhiana-141123 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Food Safety Officer,
Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Civil Surgeon,
Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 73 of 2019

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Charanjit Singh, Food Safety Officer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and the respondent-PIO was directed to supply the certified copies of the required Information, in connection with point no. 03, 04, 05 to the appellant and at point no. 06 only detail list be supplied to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Charanjit Singh, Food Safety Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 64 dated 02.08.2019, signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Food Safety Officer - 1 of office of Civil Surgeon, Sangrur, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh. He also hands over a copy of the same to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission today. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case in today's hearing, orally states that he has received the requisite information. He also through a letter dated Nil, has acknowledged that he has received the requisite information and satisfied with the information supplied and asked for filing of his case. It is taken on record.

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

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th August, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Food Safety Officer,
Barnala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Civil Surgeon,
Barnala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 319 of 2019

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Abhinav Kumar, Food Safety Officer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to intimate the Commission by submitting a copy of the document, showing that the required fee was demanded from the appellant within stipulated period as per provisions of the RTI Act. He (respondent PIO) was also directed to check the pages of the information given to the appellant and accordingly refund the excess amount i. e. Rs. 360 – Rs. 240 = Rs.120/- (which was charged from the appellant as excess fee) and submit a receipt.

Sh. Abhinav Kumar, Food Safety Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that excess amount of Rs.120/- (which was charged from the appellant) has been refunded to him.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 395 dated 17.07.2019 signed by First Appellate Authority office of Civil Surgeon (Food Branch), Barnala, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 13970 dated 22.07.2019, has intimated the Commission that excess amount of Rs.120/- (which was charged from the appellant) has been refunded to him on 17.07.2019. It, alongwith a copy of receipt given by State Bank of India, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case in today's hearing through a letter dated Nil, has stated that he has received the required necessary information and asked for filing of his case. It is taken on record.

As no cause of action is left in this case, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

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(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Tejinder Singh,

Village Bholapur, Post Office Ramgarh,
Chd. Road, Ludhiana-141123 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

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

First Appellate Authority,

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 75 of 2019

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

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post and submit/send the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case in today's hearing, orally states that he has received the information from the concerned respondent but whatever information has been given to him is irrelevant.

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.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer of office of Commissioner (Food Safety), 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.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

Another opportunity is also given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the complete information the appellant, as per query raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to represent this case in person or through his representative alongwith relevant official record on the next date of hearing positively, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to 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.

The case is **adjourned to 9th October, 2019 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
(Regd. Post) O/o The Commissioner (Food Safety),
Punjab Health System Building,
Phase- 6, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 38 of 2019

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

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post and submit/send the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case in today's hearing, orally states that he has received the information from the concerned respondent but irrelevant information has been given to him.

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.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer of office of Commissioner (Food Safety), 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.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post .

Another opportunity is also given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the complete information the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to represent this case in person or through his representative alongwith relevant official record on the next date of hearing positively, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to 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.

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....Appellant

V/s

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

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 72 of 2019

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

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post and submit/send the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case in today's hearing, orally states that he has received the information from the concerned respondent but irrelevant information has been given to him.

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.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer of office of Food and Drug Administration, Kharar, 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.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

Another opportunity is also given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the complete information the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to represent this case in person or through his representative alongwith relevant official record on the next date of hearing positively, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to 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.

The case is **adjourned to 9th October, 2019 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th August,2019

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



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

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Food Safety Officer,
Faridkot (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Civil Surgeon,
Faridkot (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 74 of 2019

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Mukul Gill, Food Safety Officer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post and submit/send the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant.

Sh. Mukul Gill, Food Safety Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a copy of reply vide letter no. 12666 dated 20.11.2018 signed by Public Information Officer, Civil Surgeon, Faridkot, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh through registered post. It, alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case in today's hearing, point out that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO as information at point no. 03 has been denied to him due to 'third party' information and at point no. 06, only calculation of nine defaulters has been intimated but detail, to whom notices have been issued, has not been given to him.

After hearing the parties concerned and examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the information demanded at point no. 03 is not 'third party' information and should be supplied and at point no. 06, the provided information is incomplete.

Accordingly, another opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the remaining information in connection with point no. 03 and 06 to the appellant through registered post, before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 9th October, 2019 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th August, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Tejinder Singh,

Village Bholapur, Post Office Ramgarh,
Chd. Road, Ludhiana-141123 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Food Safety Officer,
Civil Hospital,
Hoshiarpur(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Civil Surgeon,
Civil Hospital, Hoshiarpur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 266 of 2019

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Raman Viridi, Food Safety Officer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 18.06.2019 and another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the Appellant by registered post and submit/send the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the Appellant, in the Commission.

Sh. Raman Viridi, Food Safety Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a copy of reply vide letter no. 312 dated 31.07.2019 signed by Food Safety Officer office of Civil Surgeon, Hoshiarpur, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh through registered post. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who came present during the proceedings of the instant appeal case in today's hearing, point out that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO as information in connection with point no. 01 only counting of registrations have been given but detail has not been given to him and in connection with point no. 03 and 04, the respondent has demanded fee for getting the information of 214 pages at this stage and in connection with point 05 and 06, no information has been given to him.

After hearing the parties concerned and examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the respondent PIO has not demanded the required fee within the stipulated time as per Punjab Right to Information Rules, hence, the respondent PIO concerned is bound to supply the required information to the appellant 'free of cost'.

Accordingly, the respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 26.08.2019 at 11:00 A. M. so that the appellant could identify the information and the appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 26.08.2019 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information and take certified copies of the same.

The respondent PIO concerned is also directed to bring the certified copies of the remaining information at point no. 01, 03, 04 and 05 in the Commission alongwith the information at point no. 06, which would be identified by the appellant during the inspection, so that the same could be handed over to the appellant during the hearing on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 9th October, 2019 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th August, 2019

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

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

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Bathinda(Punjab)
First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 582 of 2019

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

ORDER

This case was last heard on 19.06.2019 and the appellant was advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission and also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative.

Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Ravinder Kataria.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 1874 dated 15.07.2019 signed by Public Information Officer-cum- Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 14397 dated 26.07.2019, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information, consisting of 1545 pages, has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Ravinder Kataria. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Ravinder Kataria, through a letter dated 04.08.2019, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that that he has received the requisite information of 1545 pages and will have no objection if the case is closed today itself on merits. It is taken on record.

As the required information has been supplied to the appellant in the instant appeal case and no cause of action is left in this case, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 5th August, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab