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**Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan,**

House No 78/8, Park Road, Navi Mandi, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur.

M : 8509580002

**Appellant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o The Tehsildar, Dhuri, Distt. Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o The SDM, Dhuri, Distt. Sangrur.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 173 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is present.

Ms. Meenu Bala, Senior Assistant along with Sh. Amrinder Singh, Reader to SDM, Dhuri

Sh. Lovleen Kumar, Registry Clerk is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 10.10.2020, the date of First Appeal is 11.11.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 28.12.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan states that no information has been supplied to him. He further states that he only needs to know, what are the registry norms and on what basis the registry has been done whether on the proof of electricity bill, water bill or with the consent of concerned Councilor, if both parties agree.

On this the Senior Assistant, Ms. Meenu Bala states that the Appellant has not told them any particular '**Vasika Number**'. She further mentions about an email dated 06.04.2021 which has been sent to the Commission by the Department and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, the Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the registry norms or rules and if the registry norms or rules are not available with them then the Respondent / PIO is directed to file a proper affidavit explaining the reason that there is no circular for registry and is also directed to explain the steps of registry which is going on at the office, to the Appellant along with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing, which is taken on record.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post (as discussed above) before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is advised to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to **30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **30.06.2021** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 06.04.2021**

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
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**Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan,**  
House No 78/8, Park Road, Navi Mandi, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur.  
M : 8509580002

**Appellant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, Distt. Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur, Distt. Sangrur.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 175 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is present.  
Ms. Parwinder Kaur, Senior Assistant is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 21.09.2020, the date of First Appeal is 19.10.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 28.12.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan states that he does not receive any information and also copy of instructions has not been supplied to him.

On this the Senior Assistant, Ms. Parwinder Kaur states that they had requested the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan various times to appear at their office and collect the specific record as per his RTI Application but the Appellant does not visit.

After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant is directed to visit at the office of concerned PIO on 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 at 11:00 A. M. and meet with Ms. Parwinder Kaur, Senior Assistant to collect the specific record after inspecting the same.

**The concerned PIO and Ms. Parwinder Kaur, Senior Assistant are directed to be present there on the said date and time to facilitate the Appellant and to supply the specific record if anything required by the Appellant relating to this case as per his RTI Application.**

If the Appellant does not visit to the concerned office on the said date and time then it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is also directed that after inspection if he is not satisfied with the supplied information then the Appellant is directed to submit the letter of deficiencies to the concerned PIO by hand along with a copy to the Commission within the same day through email.

This case is adjourned to **30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **30.06.2021** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.**

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Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan,  
House No 78/8, Park Road, Navi Mandi, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur.  
M : 8509580002

Appellant

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala, Distt. Barnala.

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Inspector General of Police, Patiala Range,  
Patiala, Distt. Patiala.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 177 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is present.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 11.09.2020, the date of First Appeal is 26.10.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 28.12.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan states that he has received incomplete information relating to this case. The information which has been supplied to him on 23.11.2020 (relating to this case) is not satisfactory in nature.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as none comes present from the concerned Department today and incomplete information has been supplied to the Appellant till date.

**In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala, Distt. Barnala, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

**In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order.**

**The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is directed to point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO (within 15 days) through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.**

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant (after removing the deficiencies) by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

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The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant again, by the next date of hearing.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 06.04.2021

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Show Cause:  
(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala,  
Distt. Barnala.  
{Encl. RTI Application}

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Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan,  
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M : 8509580002

Appellant

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, Punjab,  
Barnala, Distt. Barnala.

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Inspector General of Police, Patiala Range,  
Patiala, Distt. Patiala.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 497 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is present.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 29.10.2020, the date of First Appeal is 28.11.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 15.01.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan states that he has received incomplete information relating to this case. The information which has been supplied to him on 30.12.2020 (relating to this case) is not satisfactory in nature.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission.

**Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as none comes present from the concerned Department today and incomplete information has been supplied to the Appellant till date.**

**In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala, Distt. Barnala, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order.

The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is directed to point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO (within 15 days) through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant (after removing the deficiencies) by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date.

**Appeal Case No. 497 of 2021**



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The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant again, by the next date of hearing.

**This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.**

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**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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

**Show Cause:  
(Regd. Post)      Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, Barnala,  
Distt. Barnala.  
{Encl. RTI Application}**

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**Sh. Rajinder Kumar,**  
# 141, Street No 6, Puniya Colony, Haripura Road,  
Sangrur-148001. M : 9878036500

**Appellant**

V/s.

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Chief Engineer (South),  
Water Supply and Sanitation Department, Nabha Road, Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Principal Secretary, Water Supply and  
Sanitation Department, Punjab, Chandigarh.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 264 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is present.  
Sh. Gurminder Singh, Superintendent is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 26.09.2020, the date of First Appeal is 09.11.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 31.12.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar states that information which has been received by him on 31.03.2021 is incomplete in nature and requests for the same.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO, Sh. Gurminder Singh states that whatever the information was available with them has already been supplied and further the information which is pending is relating to the Cash Branch and he further requests the Appellant if he could visit at their concerned office to collect the desired record as per his RTI Application. He further requests the Court to look at the concerned emails dated 24.02.2021, 05.03.2021, 31.03.2021 and 06.04.2021 and a copy of letter vide endorsement dated 04.03.2021, a copy of letter vide endorsement dated 24.02.2021 along with another letter vide endorsement dated 24.03.2021 which have been sent to the Commission from the Department, relating to this case and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant is directed to visit at the office of concerned PIO on 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 at 11:00 A. M. and meet with Sh. Gurminder Singh, Superintendent to collect the specific record after inspecting the same.

**The concerned PIO and Sh. Gurminder Singh, Superintendent are directed to be present there on the said date and time to facilitate the Appellant and to supply the specific record if anything required by the Appellant relating to this case as per his RTI Application.**

**If the Appellant does not visit to the concerned office on the said date and time then it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software. A copy of this order be sent to the PIO through registered post.**

The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is also directed that after inspection if he is not satisfied with the supplied information then the Appellant is directed to submit the letter of deficiencies to the concerned PIO by hand along with a copy to the Commission within the same day through email.

**This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.**

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**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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**Sh. Rohit Sabharwal (RTI Activist) ,**  
# Kundan Bhawan, 126, Model Gram, Ludhiana-141002

**Appellant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The District Education Officer (EE),  
Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The District Education Officer (EE),  
Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 267 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Rohit Sabharwal is absent.  
Sh. Major Singh, Legal Assistant is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 08.09.2020 the date of First Appeal is 22.10.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 31.12.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rohit Sabharwal is absent and an email dated 02.04.2021 has been received in the Commission in which Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate has written that she would be representing this case on behalf of Appellant but she could not appear today due to medical reasons and further requests for a short date.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO, Sh. Major Singh, Legal Assistant requests for a date and states that they will provide the information to the Appellant soon, as the information is ready with them.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

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**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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**Sh. Rohit Sabharwal (RTI Activist)** ,  
# Kundan Bhawan, 126, Model Gram, Ludhiana-141002

**Appellant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The District Education Officer (EE),  
Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The District Education Officer (EE),  
Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 270 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Rohit Sabharwal is absent.  
Sh. Major Singh, Legal Assistant is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 08.09.2020 the date of First Appeal is 22.10.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 31.12.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rohit Sabharwal is absent and an email dated 02.04.2021 has been received in the Commission in which Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate has written that she would be representing this case on behalf of Appellant but she could not appear today due to medical reasons and further requests for a short date.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO, Sh. Major Singh, Legal Assistant requests for a date and states that they will provide the information to the Appellant soon, as the information is ready with them.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

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**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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**Sh. Ashok Kumar Watts,**  
House Number B-V-1534, Street No. 01, Lajpat Nagar,  
Abohar, Distt.- Fazilka (152116) M: 98767-23012

**Appellant**

V/s.

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Secretary, Local Govt. , Punjab,  
Sector -35, Chandigarh.

**(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Govt. Punjab,  
Sector -35, Chandigarh.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 430 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar is present.  
Ms. Sandeep Kaur, Senior Assistant is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 19.10.2020 the date of First Appeal is 21.11.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 12.01.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar states that no information has been supplied to him in relating to the point number 01 and 02 and further states that he is satisfied with the information which has been supplied to him in relating to point number 03 of the RTI Application. In relating to this, he further mentions about his email dated 15.03.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the SA, Ms. Sandeep Kaur states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the Appellant vide dated 08.01.2021 and the copy of the same has been sent to the Commission vide cover letter dated 22.02.2021, which is taken on record.

After point wise discussing with both the parties, it has been found that the SA, Ms. Sandeep Kaur states in relating to point number 01 that they had never received the Complaint, to which the concerned PIO is directed to give the same in writing with the proper explanation as said by the SA, Ms. Sandeep Kaur and in relating to point number 02 she states that the enquiry is still going on by Sh. Arsi Nayyar, Retd. IAS to which the Appellant states that there is a report of 07 pages of dated 17.09.2018 of the enquiry which has already been done.

**Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the representative of the Respondent / PIO as it is found that Ms. Sandeep Kaur, Senior Assistant is giving different replies in today's Court which is unacceptable and further she is directed to be well aware of the facts of this case.**

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information ( relating to point number 01 and 02 as discussed above) to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

**Appeal Case No. 430 of 2021**



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A copy of this order be sent to the PIO through registered post and the PIO, Sh. Satwinder Singh is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing, which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



**Sh. Arvinder Pal Singh, S/o Late S. Pritam Singh,**  
R/o House Number 32, Gurjivan Vihar, Dhakouli, Zirakpur,  
Distt. S.A.S Nagar (Mohali) 160104

**Appellant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Executive Engineer, Punjab,  
Water Supply and Sewerage Board,  
Division No. 1 and 02, Bathinda (Punjab)

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Executive Engineer, Punjab,  
Water Supply and Sewerage Board,  
Division No. 1 and 02, Bathinda (Punjab)

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 474 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Arvinder Pal Singh is present.  
Sh. Ashwani Kumar, XEN is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 27.07.2020 the date of First Appeal is 05.11.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 13.01.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Arvinder Pal Singh states that incomplete information has been supplied to him. He further mentions about a letter vide dated 31.03.2021 which has been sent to the PIO and a copy of the same has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On the other hand, the XEN, Sh. Ashwani Kumar states that whatever the information was available with them they have already supplied the same to the Appellant and the information which has been requested by the Appellant is too old. He further mentions about a letter vide endorsement number 24.03.2021 through which information has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On further having pointwise discussion with both the parties, it has been observed that the Appellant is not satisfied with the supplied information. The Appellant is directed to set a particular date and time with the XEN, Sh. Ashwani Kumar for visiting their office.

**The XEN, Sh. Ashwani Kumar is directed to be present there on the decided date and time to facilitate the Appellant and is directed to supply the specific record if anything required by the Appellant relating to this case as per his RTI Application.**

If the Appellant does not visit to the concerned office on the mutually decided date and time then it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

**The XEN, Sh. Ashwani Kumar is directed to look into this matter carefully and try to supply the information accordingly and he is further directed appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.**

The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar is also directed that after inspection if he is not satisfied with the supplied information then the Appellant should submit the letter of deficiencies to the concerned PIO by hand along with a copy to the Commission within the same day through email.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 06.04.2021

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab



**Sh. Surinder Mittal, (99159-00036)**

# 302, Shaheed Udham Singh Nagar, Satnampura, Phagwara. ((144402)

**Complainant**

V/s.

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**

O/o The Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary,  
Department of Local Government, Punjab, Sector 35A, Chandigarh.

**Respondent**

**Complaint Case No. 109 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Surinder Mittal is present.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 22.06.2020 and date of Complaint filed in the Commission is 13.01.2021.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Surinder Mittal states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, none comes present from the Department.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that a letter vide endorsement dated 08.03.2021 has been received in the Commission which has been written by the Superintendent O/o Director, Local Govt. 02 Branch, Sector 35, Chandigarh to the Superintendent, Trust Service Cell, O/o Directorate Local Govt. Department, Punjab, Chandigarh in which it has been that the information of this RTI Application relates with the Trust Service Cell.

In view of above, the Superintendent, Trust Service Cell, O/o Directorate Local Govt. Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh be impleaded as a party and a copy of this order be sent to both the concerned department's through registered post and further concerned PIO's are advised to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is advised to supply the requisite information to the Complainant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing positively. The Respondent / PIO is also advised to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Complainant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and all the concerned parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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

**CC:**

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**  
**The Superintendent,**  
**O/o Director, Local Govt. - II Branch,**  
**Sector 35, Chandigarh.**

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**  
**The Superintendent, Trust Service Cell,**  
**O/o Directorate Local Govt. Department, Punjab,**  
**Sector 35A, Chandigarh.**

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**Ms. Rupinder Kaur Gill,**  
# 410, National City Homes, G.T. Road,  
Amritsar (M: 88470-55308)

**Appellant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Government,  
Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Government,  
Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 525 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** Sh. Vishal Joshi is present on behalf of the Appellant, Ms. Rupinder Kaur Gill.  
Sh. Gagandeep, Senior Assistant –cum- APIO is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 20.08.2020 the date of First Appeal is 05.10.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 21.01.2021.

In today's hearing, the representative of the Appellant, Sh. Vishal Joshi states that no information has been supplied to the Appellant till date.

On the other hand, the SA –cum –APIO, Sh. Gagandeep states that they did not receive the report from the authorities and request for a month.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information ( within a month after collecting the same from the concerned department ) to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 05.07.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 05.07.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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

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Ms. Rupinder Kaur Gill,  
# 410, National City Homes, G.T. Road,  
Amritsar (M: 88470-55308)

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Government,  
Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Government,  
Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 526 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** Sh. Vishal Joshi is present on behalf of the Appellant, Ms. Rupinder Kaur Gill.  
Sh. Manvir Singh, Sr. Asstt. –cum- APIO is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 20.08.2020 the date of First Appeal is 05.10.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 21.01.2021.

In today's hearing, the representative of the Appellant, Sh. Vishal Joshi states that no information has been supplied to the Appellant till date.

On the other hand, the SA –cum –APIO, Sh. Manvir Singh states that the complaint is under consideration and the information will be supplied to the Appellant soon. He further mentions about a letter number 232 dated 02.03.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information ( within a month after collecting the same from the concerned department ) to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 05.07.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 05.07.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 06.04.2021

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Ms. Rupinder Kaur Gill,  
# 410, National City Homes, G.T. Road,  
Amritsar (M: 88470-55308)

V/s.

Appellant

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Government,  
Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Government,  
Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 528 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** Sh. Vishal Joshi is present on behalf of the Appellant, Ms. Rupinder Kaur Gill.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 20.08.2020 the date of First Appeal is 05.10.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 21.01.2021.

In today's hearing, the representative of the Appellant, Sh. Vishal Joshi states that no information has been supplied to the Appellant till date.

On the other hand, none comes present from the Department.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that a letter number PRB-2G-2021-1295 dated 19.03.2021 and an email dated 25.03.2021 has been received in the Commission from the Department, which is taken on record.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

**The concerned PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing positively, which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software. A copy of this order be sent to the PIO through registered post.**

Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 05.07.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 05.07.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 06.04.2021

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Sh. Birchh Bhan, S/o Sh. Saroop Chand,  
R/o House Number 33, Kahangarh Road,  
Pataran, Distt. Patiala (147105) (M: 98761-01698)

**Appellant**

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Nagar Panchayat, Dirba, Distt. Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The EO, Nagar Panchayat, Dirba, Distt. Sangrur.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 516 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Birchh Bhan is absent.  
Sh. Lal Singh, Junior Engineer is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 16.10.2020 the date of First Appeal is 25.11.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 19.01.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Birchh Bhan is absent. An email dated 06.04.2021 has been received in the Commission vide which it has been written that no information has been given to the Appellant by PIO or from the FAA till date and further requests for a date as Cisco Webex is not working at his end.

On the other hand, the JE, Sh. Lal Singh states that they have received the RTI Application of the Applicant on 23.10.2020 and vide letter dated 28.10.2020 they have requested the Appellant for depositing the requisite fees of Rs. 1000/- but the Appellant did not deposit the same till date. In relating to this, he further mentions about an email dated 06.04.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

In view of above, the Appellant is directed to deposit the requisite fees to the office of concerned PIO for the information requested by him through his RTI Application and if the fees would not be deposited by the Appellant well in time then it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

The PIO is directed to supply the proof of registered postal receipts of sending the letter dated 28.10.2020 through which requisite fees has been requested from the Appellant, to the Commission vide email with a week.

Also, the PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant, after collecting the requisite fees from the Appellant.

**Both the parties are directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing, which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.**

**This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.**

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Dated: 06.04.2021

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**Sh. Gurmeet Singh, S/o Sh. Lal Singh,**  
Village – Kikar khara, Tehsil Abohar,  
Distt. Fazilka (Punjab)

**Appellant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Executive Engineer,  
Water Drainage Construction Division,  
Faridkot at Gidderbaha,  
Office Canal Colony, Gidderbaha.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Superintending Engineer,  
Water Drainage Construction Division,  
Faridkot at Gidderbaha.

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 491 of 2020**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh is present.  
Sh. Major Singh, Superintendent is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

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

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh states that incomplete information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO, Sh. Major Singh, Superintendent mentions about an email dated 06.04.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, in relating to point number 04 the PIO is directed not to supply the residential address only and apart from that PIO is directed to give the point wise reply to the Applicant's RTI positively by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

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**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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**Sh. Gurmeet Singh, S/o Sh. Lal Singh,**

Village – Kikar khera, Tehsil Abohar,

Distt. Fazilka (Punjab)

**Appellant**

V/s.

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**

O/o The Executive Engineer,

Abohar Canal Division,

Canal Colony, Abohar,

Tehsil Abohar and Distt. Fazilka (Punjab)

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**

O/o The Executive Engineer,

Canal Lining Division,

Sri Muktsar Sahib.

**(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,**

O/o The Superintending Engineer,

Irrigation Department,

Ferozepur Canal Circle, Ferozepur (Punjab)

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 495 of 2020**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh is present.

Sh. Gurvir Singh, SDO, Abohar is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

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

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO, Sh. Gurvir Singh states that the record is available at Canal Lining Division, Sri Muktsar Sahib and in relating to same he further mentions about an email dated 06.04.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After going through the case file it has been observed that the previous order dated 22.02.2021 of the Commission from the O/o Canal Lining Division, Sri Muktsar Sahib has been returned back to the Commission and on asking the address of the O/o Sri Muktsar Sahib to which Sh. Gurvir Singh, SDO from Abohar states that it is 'The Executive Engineer, Canal Lining Division, Near Tarn Taran Gurudwara, Sri Muktsar Sahib'.

In view of above, the PIO is directed to supply the requisite information through registered post or by hand to the Appellant before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

**Also, a copy of this order be sent to the concerned PIO through registered post along with the RTI request and The Superintending Engineer, Irrigation Department, Ferozepur Canal Circle, Ferozepur (Punjab) is directed to look into this matter and make assure that the information would be supplied by the concerned PIO to the Appellant well in time.**

**Appeal Case No. 495 of 2020**



**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

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Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 06.04.2021

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

CC:

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**  
The Executive Engineer,  
Canal Lining Division,  
Near Tarn Taran Gurudwara,  
Sri Muktsar Sahib.  
**{ Encl. RTI Application }**

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**Sh. Rajinder Kumar Sharma,**  
VPO – Raisar,  
Tehsil and Distt. Barnala (148101) Punjab

**Appellant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Divisional Forest Officer,  
Sangrur (Punjab)

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Conservator of Forests, Punjab,  
South Circle, Forest Complex,  
Sector 68, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali) Punjab

**Respondent**

**Appeal Case No. 459 of 2020**  
**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Kumar Sharma is absent.  
Ms. Tajinder Kaur, Superintendent is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

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

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Sharma is absent today.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO, Ms. Tajinder Kaur, Superintendent states that the concerned information has already been sent to the Appellant. In relating to this she further mentions about an email dated 05.04.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After going through the case file, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

Also, the PIO is directed to supply the requisite information again ( only if any deficiencies would have been pointed out by the Appellant well in time) through registered post or by hand to the Appellant before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The Respondent / PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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**Sh. Tejinder Singh, (Advocate)**

R/o Village Bholapur Jhabewal,

P.O. Ramgarh, District Ludhiana (141123) Punjab

**Complainant**

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o** The Hon'ble Minister,

Department of Health, Punjab,

Punjab Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh.

**Public Information Officer,**

**O/o** The Commissioner,

Food and Drug Administration, Punjab,

Kharar (Punjab) (Mohali)

**Respondent**

**Complaint Case No. 04 of 2019**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh is present.  
Ms. Jasvir Kaur, PIO is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 08.03.2021.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Tejinder Singh states that he had already pointed out the deficiencies to the concerned department vide letter dated 27.03.2021. He further mentions about an email dated 06.04.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

To which, Ms. Jasvir Kaur states that they have not received any letter dated 27.03.2021. She further mentions about an email dated 05.04.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

Both are advised to mutually contact each other and Ms. Jasvir Kaur, PIO is advised to remove the deficiencies and supply the requisite information through registered post or by hand to the Complainant before the next date of hearing, positively. The Respondent / PIO is also advised to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been sent to the Complainant, by the next date of hearing.

This case is adjourned to 30.06.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 30.06.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number for joining is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 06.04.2021**

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