



Dayal Singh  
S/o Sh. Mehal Singh,  
Khasra No. 350/2, Gali No. 03  
Block – B, Upkar Colony,  
Burari, Delhi – 110084

....Appellant

V/s

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

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

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 1293 of 2021**

Present : Sh. Dayal Singh, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Rajeev Saggarr, Superintendent-cum-PIO, in person.

#### **ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 04.12.2020. First appeal is dated 19.01.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 10.03.2021.

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

Sh. Rajeev Saggarr, Superintendent-cum-PIO, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the appellant has sought information regarding action taken report by Enquiry Officer on a complaint dated 01.11.2020 and the said enquiry is under investigation as statement of appellant (Sh. Dayal Singh) is pending in that enquiry and a reply has already been sent to the appellant vide letter no. 385 dated 05.03.2020 and again vide letter dated 01.02.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 1900 dated 03.06.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent on 15.06.2021 at 12:00 P. M. so that required procedure could be followed to complete the enquiry.

An opportunity is given to the respondent to do the needful on 15.06.2021 at 12:00 P. M. during the visit of the appellant and send a reply, in writing, regarding the final outcome of the enquiry to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

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

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

(Sanjiv Garg)

State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Date : 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

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Dayal Singh S/o Sh. Mehal Singh,  
Khasra No. 350/2, Gali No. 03  
Block – B, Upkar Colony,  
Burari, Delhi – 110084

....Appellant

V/s

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

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

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 1296 of 2021

Present : Sh. Dayal Singh, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Rajeev Sagar, Superintendent-cum-PIO, in person.

#### ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 04.12.2020. First appeal is dated 19.01.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 10.03.2021.

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

Sh. Rajeev Sagar, Superintendent-cum-PIO, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the appellant has sought information regarding action taken report by Enquiry Officer on a complaint dated 01.11.2020 and the said enquiry is under investigation as statement of appellant (Sh. Dayal Singh) is pending in that enquiry and a reply has already been sent to the appellant vide letter no. 385 dated 05.03.2020 and again vide letter dated 01.02.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 1900 dated 03.06.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent on 15.06.2021 at 12:00 P. M. so that required procedure could be followed to complete the enquiry.

An opportunity is given to the respondent to do the needful on 15.06.2021 at 12:00 P. M. during the visit of the appellant and send a reply, in writing, regarding the final outcome of the enquiry to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

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

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Date : 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

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State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

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Tirlochan Singh,  
H. No. 848, A, M.I.G.,  
Jamalpur Colony,  
Distt. - Ludhiana(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Principal Secretary  
to Govt. of Punjab,  
Deptt. of Transport Pb. Mini Sectt.,  
Sector 9, Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Sector 17-C, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Principal Secretary  
to Govt. of Punjab,  
Deptt. of Transport Pb. Mini Sectt.,  
Sector 9, Chandigarh

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 738 of 2020**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Ms. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent O/o State transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Chandigarh, on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 29.10.2019. First appeal is dated 04.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 14.02.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.03.2021,

- i) Another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.
- ii) An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He was also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.
- iii) A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Ms. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent office of State transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant in another case i. e. A. C. 383 of 2020. She also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 14599 dated 07.06.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Tirlochan Singh, is not present in today's hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. He is also advised to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date fixed for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Date : 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

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Anil Kumar  
S/o Sh. Walaiti Ram,  
'Gulati General Storte',  
Dhobian Wali Gali, Subash Bazar,  
KHANNA, Distt. – Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer, (By Name)  
O/o The Executive Officer ,  
Nagar Council,  
Khanna, Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 139 of 2020**

Present : Sh. Narender Kumar on behalf of the appellant.  
None on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 19.08.2019. First appeal is dated 17.10.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 30.12.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.03.2021,

- i) Sh. Rajesh Rehni, Junior Engineer, stated that the requisite information was supplied to the appellant.
- ii) The appellant stated that he had pointed out certain deficiencies, in the supplied information, in writing, to the respondent PIO concerned.
- iii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 10.03.2021 at 02:00 P. M. and collect the required information.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the required information to the appellant during his visit to office.
- v) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether received the information or not.

Sh. Narender Kumar, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Anil Kumar in today's hearing, states that he visited the office of the respondent and irrelevant information has been given to him by the respondent PIO.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO, moreover, the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 10.03.2021.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Executive Officer , Nagar Council, Khanna, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings', it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post with a copy to the Commission to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

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Ramesh Kumar Gupta (Inspector Retd)  
498/15, Backside Head Office Colony,  
Main Gali, Gurdaspur (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, (By Name)  
O/o The Executive officer,  
Nagar Council,  
Gurdaspur (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 687 of 2019**

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

**ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 08.10.2018. First appeal is dated 28.11.2018. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 13.02.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.03.2021,

- i) The appellant, Sh. Ramesh Kumar Gupta, stated that no information/reply was been given to him by the respondent PIO.
- ii) Neither the respondent was present nor sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. He has not sent any document, which shows that the penalty amount of Rs. 10000/- {penalty already imposed Rs. 5000/- (vide orders dated 15.07.2020) + enhanced (announced on 16.12.2020) Rs. 5000/- = Rs. 10,000/-}. He had also not sent any document, which shows that order dated 23.09.2020, through which compensation amount of Rs. 5000/- was awarded to the appellant, has been complied. Moreover, neither a written-reply, in connection with point no. 02 of the RTI request (regarding service book) was given to the appellant nor a copy of FIR, if any, lodged for missing of office-record, was submitted in the Commission.
- iii) A copy of the order alongwith order dated 15.07.2020, 23.09.2020 and 16.12.2020 was sent to Director, Local Government, Punjab through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the above-said orders by deducting the penalty amount of Rs. 10,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO) from the salary of the respondent PIO concerned under intimation to the Commission and also ensure payment of compensation amount of Rs. 5000/- which was awarded to the appellant, positively.

The appellant, Sh. Ramesh Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that copy of service book has not been supplied to him by the respondent PIO till date. He further intimates the Commission that he has received the compensation amount of Rs. 5000/- from the respondent PIO.

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The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 687 dated 25.05.2021 signed by Executive officer, Nagar Council, Gurdaspur, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 12097 dated 04.06.2021, has intimated the Commission that available information has been given to the appellant vide letter no. 3458-61 dated 03.12.2020. Through that reply, it has also been intimated that compensation of Rs. 5000/- (which was awarded vide order dated 23.09.2020) has been paid to the appellant and penalty of Rs. 5000/- which was imposed upon the concerned PIO has been deposited and copy of e-challan dated 25.05.2021 has also been sent to the Commission. Through that reply, it has further intimated that a complaint regarding missing of service book has been lodged in the office of Senior Superintendent of Police, Gurdaspur. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the respondent PIO concerned has complied with the orders dated 23.09.2020 passed by the Commission, through which compensation of Rs. 5000/- was awarded to the appellant and the appellant has acknowledged the same during the hearing. It also emerges that penalty of Rs. 5000/- which was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 15.07.2020, has been deposited and copy of e-challan dated 25.05.2021 has also been sent to the Commission but after examining the case-file, it is also found that the penalty amount of Rs. 5000/- was enhanced vide orders dated 16.12.2020 and total amount of penalty to be deposited is Rs. 10,000/- and only Rs. 5000/- has been deposited by the respondent PIO.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the orders dated 16.12.2020 (through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was enhanced) by depositing remaining amount of Rs. 5000/- and send a copy of challan-receipt to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send a copy of complaint, which has been lodged in the office of Senior Superintendent of Police, Gurdaspur for missing of service book to the Commission as well as to the appellant.

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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H. S. Hundal, Advocate,  
Chamber No. 203, Judicial Courts,  
Sector 76, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) - 160071 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The State Transport Commissioner,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 409 of 2020**

Present : Sh. H. S. Hundal, Advocate, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Shyam Lal Sharma, Asstt. Transport Officer, on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.  
The RTI request is dated 31.10.2019. First appeal is dated 01.12.2019. Second  
appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.01.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.03.2021,

- i) Sh. Shyam Lal Sharma, Asstt. Transport Officer, stated that a point-wise reply was supplied to the appellant.
- ii) The appellant stated that wrong Registration Number of the Vehicle (regarding which the information has been sought through RTI request ) was mentioned in the reply.
- iii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to send a point-wise reply again to the appellant after doing the necessary corrections (as intimated above by the appellant) with a copy to the Commission.
- iv) An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the reply or not.

The appellant, Sh. H. S. Hundal, Advocate, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has not received the required information in the instant appeal-case, till date. He also intimates the Commission that a written-submission through an e-mail dated 06.06.2021, has been sent to the Commission vide letter dated 07.06.2021. It is taken on record.

Sh. Shyam Lal Sharma, Asstt. Transport Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the required information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 04.06.2021 through registered post. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 899 dated 04.06.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

As the information is sent by the respondent PIO to the appellant vide letter dated 04.06.2021 and probably the same would be received by the appellant within coming two or three days.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which has been sent to him by the respondent PIO vide letter dated 04.06.2021 and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Date : 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2021



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

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Executive Officer,  
Nagar Council, Jagraon,  
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 2608 of 2019**

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

**ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 04.07.2019. First appeal is dated 11.07.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.07.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.03.2021,

- i) Sh. Sanjay Kumar Bansal, Executive Officer, stated that in response to the RTI request, a reply was sent to the appellant.
- ii) The appellant stated that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.
- iii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 10.03.2021 at 02:00 P. M. to point-out deficiencies, if any, in the supplied information and collect the required information.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to the appellant to inspect the relevant official record and supply the required information to the appellant during his visit to office. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not.
- v) As the respondent PIO concerned had not complied with the orders dated 16.12.2020 passed by the Commission, through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed upon PIO of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, a copy of the order alongwith order dated 16.12.2020 was sent to Director, Local Government, Punjab through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 16.12.2020 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 5,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO) from the salary of Sh. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa (as stated Sh. Sanjay Kumar Bansal, Executive Officer ) under intimation to the Commission.

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

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The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 864 dated 04.06.2021 signed by PIO-cum- Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, which has been received in the Commission vide through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he or other staff members of office of Nagar Council, Jagraon, are not able to attend hearing due to preoccupation in the meeting through Video Conference on “Mission Fateh 2.0 – Corona Free Punjab” and seeks an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that neither the respondent PIO concerned had sent any document, showing that the required information is supplied to the appellant nor he had intimated the Commission that whether orders dated 16.12.2020 passed by the Commission, through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed upon PIO of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, is complied with.

Nevertheless, final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send compliance report of the orders dated 16.12.2020 (through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed) and order dated 10.03.2021 by supplying remaining information to the appellant, by the next date of hearing or penalty would be enhanced and disciplinary action would also be recommended under Section 20 (2) of the RTI Act against the concerned PIO for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and for not complying the order passed by the Commission vide orders dated 16.12.2020 and 10.03.2021.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be sent to him by the respondent PIO and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

A copy of this order alongwith order dated 16.12.2020 be sent to Director, Local Government, Punjab through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the above-announced order and order dated 16.12.2020 (through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed) and order dated 10.03.2021 (through which directions were given to supply the remaining information to the appellant), by the next date of hearing positively.

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application ‘CISCO Webex Meetings’.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

(Regd. Post)

The Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35,  
Chandigarh

Encl: Order dated 16.12.2020  
& 10.03.2021

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

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Executive Officer,  
Nagar Council, Jagraon,  
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3450 of 2018**

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

**ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.  
The RTI request is dated 04.07.2019. First appeal is dated 11.07.2019. Second

appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.07.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.03.2021,

- i) Sh. Sanjay Kumar Bansal, Executive Officer, stated that in response to the RTI request, a reply was sent to the appellant.
- ii) The appellant stated that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.
- iii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 10.03.2021 at 02:00 P. M. to point-out deficiencies, if any, in the supplied information and collect the required information.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to the appellant to inspect the relevant official record and supply the required information to the appellant during his visit to office. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not.
- v) As the respondent PIO concerned had not complied with the orders dated 16.12.2020 passed by the Commission, through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed upon PIO of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, a copy of the order alongwith order dated 16.12.2020 was sent to Director, Local Government, Punjab through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 16.12.2020 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 5,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO) from the salary of Sh. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa (as stated Sh. Sanjay Kumar Bansal, Executive Officer ) under intimation to the Commission.

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

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The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 864 dated 04.06.2021 signed by PIO-cum- Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, which has been received in the Commission vide through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he and other staff members of office of Nagar Council, Jagraon, are not able to attend hearing due to preoccupation in the meeting through Video Conference on “Mission Fateh 2.0 – Corona Free Punjab” and seeks an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that neither the respondent PIO concerned had sent any document, showing that the required information is supplied to the appellant nor he had intimated the Commission that whether orders dated 16.12.2020 passed by the Commission, through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed upon PIO of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, is complied with.

Nevertheless, final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send compliance report of the orders dated 16.12.2020 (through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed) and order dated 10.03.2021 by supplying remaining information to the appellant, by the next date of hearing or penalty would be enhanced and disciplinary action would also be recommended under Section 20 (2) of the RTI Act against the concerned PIO for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and for not complying the order passed by the Commission vide orders dated 16.12.2020 and 10.03.2021.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be sent to him by the respondent PIO and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

A copy of this order alongwith order dated 16.12.2020 be sent to Director, Local Government, Punjab through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the above-announced order and order dated 16.12.2020 (through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed) and order dated 10.03.2021 (through which directions were given to supply the remaining information to the appellant), by the next date of hearing positively.

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application ‘CISCO Webex Meetings’.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

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(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

(Regd. Post)

The Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35,  
Chandigarh

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& 10.03.2021



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

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Executive Officer,  
Nagar Council, Jagraon,  
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 3451 of 2018**

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

#### **ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 04.07.2019. First appeal is dated 11.07.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.07.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.03.2021,

- i) Sh. Sanjay Kumar Bansal, Executive Officer, stated that in response to the RTI request, a reply was sent to the appellant.
- ii) The appellant stated that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.
- iii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 10.03.2021 at 02:00 P. M. to point-out deficiencies, if any, in the supplied information and collect the required information.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to the appellant to inspect the relevant official record and supply the required information to the appellant during his visit to office. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not.
- v) As the respondent PIO concerned had not complied with the orders dated 16.12.2020 passed by the Commission, through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed upon PIO of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, a copy of the order alongwith order dated 16.12.2020 was sent to Director, Local Government, Punjab through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 16.12.2020 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 5,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO) from the salary of Sh. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa (as stated Sh. Sanjay Kumar Bansal, Executive Officer ) under intimation to the Commission.

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

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The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 864 dated 04.06.2021 signed by PIO-cum- Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, which has been received in the Commission vide through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he and other staff members of office of Nagar Council, Jagraon, are not able to attend hearing due to preoccupation in the meeting through Video Conference on “Mission Fateh 2.0 – Corona Free Punjab” and seeks an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that neither the respondent PIO concerned had sent any document, showing that the required information is supplied to the appellant nor he had intimated the Commission that whether orders dated 16.12.2020 passed by the Commission, through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed upon PIO of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, is complied with.

Nevertheless, final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send compliance report of the orders dated 16.12.2020 (through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed) and order dated 10.03.2021 by supplying remaining information to the appellant, by the next date of hearing or penalty would be enhanced and disciplinary action would also be recommended under Section 20 (2) of the RTI Act against the concerned PIO for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and for not complying the order passed by the Commission vide orders dated 16.12.2020 and 10.03.2021.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be sent to him by the respondent PIO and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

A copy of this order alongwith order dated 16.12.2020 be sent to Director, Local Government, Punjab through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the above-announced order and order dated 16.12.2020 (through which a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed) and order dated 10.03.2021 (through which directions were given to supply the remaining information to the appellant), by the next date of hearing positively.

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application ‘CISCO Webex Meetings’.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

(Regd. Post)

The Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35,  
Chandigarh

Encl: Order dated 16.12.2020  
& 10.03.2021

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Amandeep Pathak,  
H. No. 553, Ward No. 03,  
Shaheed Udham Singh Nagar,  
Malout - 152107(Punjab)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Executive Engineer,  
Central Works Division,  
P. W. D. (B & R),  
Abohar(Punjab)

...Respondents

### **Complaint Case No. 735 of 2020**

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

#### **ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 04.09.2019. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 06.10.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.03.2021, neither the complainant nor the respondent was present in today's hearing. Another opportunity was given to the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative, on the date fixed.

Neither the complainant, Sh. Amandeep Pathak nor the respondent is present in today's hearing. No request has also been received for an adjournment from either party.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that neither the respondent PIO has sent any reply/document, showing that the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, nor the complainant has intimated that the required information has been received by him or not.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to send a copy of the information/reply (which has been given to the appellant) to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information/reply or not or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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