RED CROSS BUILDING, SECTOR-16, MADHYA MARG, CHANDIGARH



Sh. Vikram Vaid, R/o 1527, Gali No.2, Bagh Ramanand, Amritsar.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Assistant Inspector General of Police (Crime), Punjab, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer. O/o Director General of Police Punjab Police Headquarters, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Inspector General of Police (Crime), Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondents

Appeal Case Nos.2416/2019&1712/2017

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	· •	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
25.023.2019	Nil	09.042019	Nil	04.07.2019

Present: Appellant-Sh. Vikram Vaid.

Respondents- Sub Inspector Sh. Gyan Chand.

ORDER

Since the appellant, respondents and the subject matter of the issue is same, it is clubbed with and shall be disposed of with single order.

The following observation was made by the Commission on 09.10.2019:

"Vide his application dated 25.02.2019, the appellant has sought to know the status of the implementation of an order passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana in CRM 19820 of 2011. Sh. Ajay Kumar, Junior Assistant appearing on behalf of respondents submit that despite their best efforts, they have not been able to trace the relevant file. The Commission is not convinced with the response. The appellant is simply asking for the status of implementation of policy following a decision given by the Hon'ble

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High Court of Punjab and Haryana. The respondents are directed to look into the issue intently and file a reply. Meanwhile, they shall ensure that the appellant is appropriately informed."

The case has come up today. Sub Inspector Sh. Gyan Chand, is present. He has submitted a memo wherein a plea has been taken that the dealing official is indisposed and has to undergo a procedure in the PGIMER today. He submits that he is not in a position to comment on the subject.

The appellant is a public-spirited person. He very strongly and vehemently pleads that the directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab and Haryana, as mentioned above, have been ignored by the respondents. According to him, there is a rampant corruption in the Department of Health and Family Welfare and the Police, who work in tandem on the issue.

The Commission has gone through the orders of the High Court. Very candid directions have been issued to the Director, Department of Medical Research and Education, Director, Director, Health and Family Welfare, Indian Medical Council (Punjab Chapter), Punjab Medical Council and Punjab Health Systems Corporation to upload the medical reports and postmortem reports on the website way back in 2012. The respondents had deposed before the Hon'ble High Court that their website is already under preparation and is likely to be commissioned soon.

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Though, this Commission is not in position to monitor the progress of an executive issue, at the same time, it is well within its domain to ascertain the status of the matter. The respondents in the Department of Medical Research and Education as well as the Police are directed to file the status report positively before the next date of hearing, failing which the Commission shall be constrained to take a serious view towards imposition of penalty for violation of their obligation under RTI act.

The next date of hearing shall be intimated in due course.

07.11.2019

Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

- CC: The Director, Department, Medical Education and Research, Medical Education Bhawan, Sector-69, SAS Nagar.
- CC: The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Health & Family Welfare, Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

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Shri Rajneesh Bharada, # 520, Preet Colony, Zirakpur,

Email:psic22@punjabmail.gov.in

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Naib Tehsildar, Zirakpur, District SAS Nagar(Mohali)

District SAS Nagar(Mohali).

First Appellate Authority-cum-Deputy Commissioner, SAS Nagar (Mohali).

Respondents

Appellant

Appeal Case No.2702/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
06.05.2019	08.07.2019	2006.2019		25.07.2019

Present: Appellant- Sh. Rajneesh Bharada.

Respondents- Sh. Ravinder Kumar, Patwari.

ORDER

The Commission has made following order on 03.10.2019:

"None is present on behalf of the respondents. The Commission takes serious exception of the indifference shown by the respondents and directs the respondents to file their written reply before the next date of hearing and explain their conduct for the inordinate delay having been taken to send suitable reply to the appellant."

The case has come up today. The Commission has gone through the application as well as reply. The original application is frivolous and tends to seek information which is already in public domain. The appellant is a cantankerous busybody, who seems to be filing vexatious and harassing applications without any genuine intent to serve the public cause. The respondents have already supplied him the information, which the Commission has seen. The Commission does not find reason to further intervene into this issue.

Disposed.

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Sh.Rajnish Bharadha 520, Preet Colony, Zirakpur S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Municipal Council, Zirakpur District S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali)

First Appellate Authority, O/o Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Punjab, Patiala.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2418/2019

Date of RTI	Date of Reply, if	Date of First Appeal	Date of order, if	Date of Second
Application	any of SPIO	made, if any	any of FAA	Appeal/ Complaint
06.05.2019	Nil	20.06.2019	Nil	04.07.2019

Present: Appellant- Sh. Rajneesh Bharada.

Respondents- Sh. Gurinder Singh, Superintendent.

ORDER

The respondents say that the information has been provided to the appellant vide their communication dated 16.09.2019 under a registered cover. The Commission has seen it. The appellant insists its translation into Hindi or English. There is no provision under the RTI Act to make it obligatory for the respondents to provide a translated version, rather the information has to be provided in the material form and shape as it exists in original. In case, he intends to get it translated, he should get it done at his own convenience and cost. The Commission feels that he has been sufficiently informed. No further action seems to be called for. The appeal is **disposed**.

Sd/(Yashvir Mahajan)
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Sh.Jagsir Singh, S/o Late Sh.Gian Singh 9/20, Mandi Mullanpaur, District Ludhiana.

Appellant

Versus

Email:psic22@punjabmail.gov.in

Public Information Officer, O/o Station House Officer, Police Station, Dakha, District

Police Station, Dakha, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Dy. Inspector General of Police, Ludhiana

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2751/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
18.07.2019		22.07.2019		01.08.2019

Present: Appellant- Sh. Jagshir Singh.

Respondents- SI Ms. Ramandeep Kaur, PS Dakha, District-Ludhiana.

ORDER

The appellant had sought copies of *Roznamcha* made in the Police Station Dakha for the dates of 11.07.2019 and 12.07.2019 as well as log book of the vehicle being maintained in the Police Station. Both these informations admittedly have been received by the appellant. He is seeking CCTV footage of the cameras having been installed in the Police Station. The respondents take a plea that CCTV recording by the police is done in the common public interest as well as the maintenance of law and order. Its divulgence can jeopardize the security of the persons visiting the Police Station. In a way, they are seeking exemption under Section 8 (1) (g) of the RTI Act. The Commission is inclined to accept the version of the respondents. The Commission believes that the appellant has been sufficiently informed. The appeal is **disposed**.

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Sh. Jasbir Singh Village Bolapur Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh, District Ludhiana.

Appellant

Versus

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

First Appellate Authority, O/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

Respondents

Appeal Case Nos.2403 & 2409/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
08.04.2019	Nil	13.05.2019		04.07.2019

Present: Appellant- None. Respondents- None.

ORDER

Since the appellant and respondents are same and the subject is identical, aforementioned cases shall be decided with single order.

None is present. The appellant had sought the information on an action having been taken on a complaint filed by the Principal of the Sacred Heart School regarding an illegal operation of auto rickshaws in vicinity of the school. The respondents have filed a reply. They have reported that due cognizance of the issue and appropriate action has been taken. The Commission maintains that the appeal in question is more of a request for the redressal of a grievance which has been addressed. No further action seems to be called for.

Disposed.

Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

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Sh. Jasbir Singh Village Bolapur Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh, District Ludhiana.

..Appellant

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Public Information Officer, O/o SDM-cum-Licensing Authority, Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate AuthorityO/o SDM-cum-Licensing Authority,
Fatehgarh Sahib.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2480/2019

Versus

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
08.04.2019	Nil	13.05.2019		04.07.2019

Present: Appellant- None.

Respondents- Sh. Manjit Singh, O/o SDM, Fatehgarh Sahib.

ORDER

The appellant has acknowledged the receipt of the information to his

satisfaction. He has submitted in writing to close the case.

Disposed.

07.11.2019

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Sh. Sukhdev Singh, S/o S. Inder Singh, VPO Kot Daram Chand Kalan, Tehsil & Distt Tarn Taran.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Tarn Taran.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer, Tarn Taran.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2842/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	,	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
01.05.2018	Nil	20.06.2018	Nil	27.08.2018

Present: Appellant- None.

Respondents- Sh.Rajvir Singh, Panchayat Secretary.

<u>Order</u>

The following order was made by the bench on 31.07.2019:

22.05.2019:-

"The appellant had sought information on 01.05.2018 concerning various NREGA works having been undertaken in a couple of villages and some allied information.

The respondents have stone-walled the application and the first appeal filed by him. So much so they have failed to file a reply or attend the hearing fixed in video conferencing. The Commission finds it a blatant violation of the provisions of RTI Act. Apparently, the PIO – cum - Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Tarn Taran has rendered himself liable for penal consequences. He is, thus, issued a show cause notice to explain in a self- attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to maximum of Rs.25,000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay / denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the Appellant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.

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

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does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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.

It is strange and intriguing that despite express orders and issue of show cause notice, the respondents have neither provided the information nor have filed the written reply. The Commission will be justified in imposing the penalty at this juncture. However, in the interest of fair play, another opportunity is afforded to the respondents to show cause to the above mentioned show cause notice.

31.07.2019

Having heard the appellant, the order was dictated in the absence of respondents, the case having been called out a couple of times. Shri Rajvir Singh, Panchayat Secretary has appeared in person late in the afternoon. He says that he was struck up in the way. He has shown us a copy of the memo vide which the information comprised in 211 pages has already been delivered to the information seeker. A copy of the memo has also been endorsed to the Commission which has been taken on record."

The case has come up today. The appellant is absent. As already observed the information was transmitted to the appellant. No communication has been received from the appellant. Seemingly, it has reached him and he is satisfied with the same. No further intervention is called for. The appeal is **disposed**.

07.11.2019

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Sh. Rajiv Singla, H No.325, Shastri Nagar Sector-4C, PO Mandi Gobindgarh District Fatehgarh Sahib.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Inspector General of Police, Rupnagar Range, Rupnagar.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.2469/2019

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
09.04.2019	30.04.2019	22.05.2019	Nil	18.07.2019

Present: Appellant- Sh. Rajiv Singla.

Respondents- ASI Sh. Ranjit Singh, Incharge, RTI Cell, O/o SSP,

Fatehagarh Sahib.

<u>Order</u>

The respondents reportedly have sent a reply to the appellant. The appellant is not satisfied and complains that the information is grossly deficient. He requests for an adjournment so that his case can be pleaded by his counsel on next date. The case is adjourned and it shall be heard on next date of hearing, which shall be communicated in due course.

07.11.2019

Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

CC: The Deputy Registrar, O/o Punjab State Information Commission. As the undersigned Bench shall be demitting its office, the case file is transferred to the Deputy Registrar to put it up before the Hon'ble CIC for allocation to another Bench as deemed appropriate.

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Sh. Tejinder Singh, # 133, KSM Road, Rajpura, District Patiala.

Complainant

Public Information Officer, O/o Director General of Police,

Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondents

Complaint Case No.603/2019

Versus

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
22.05.2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	04.07.2019

Present: Complainant- None.

Respondents- Head Constable Sh. Parshotam Kumar, O/o DGP, Punjab.

Order

The complainant has sought an Action Taken Report on a complaint made by him. The respondent submits that his complaint has already been forwarded to the SSP for appropriate action. The Commission feels that such a complaint does not lie as no specific information has been sought. The respondents are desired to make an enquiry and take the requisite action into the complaint made by him. The Complaint is misplaced and filed.

Disposed.

07.11.2019 State Information Commissioner

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Smt. Harinder Kaur, W/o Sh. Paramjit Singh, R/o Village-Babak,

Tehsil-Tanda, District-Hoshiarpur.

Complainant

Public Information Officer, O/o Superintendent, Civil Hospital, Faridkot.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.1228/2018

Versus

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
		any		
23.10.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	03.12.2018

Present: Appellant- None.

Respondents- Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Clerk, O/o Supdt., Civil Hospital,

Faridkot.

ORDER:

The following order was made by the Commission on 27.06.2019:

"The respondent, represented by Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Clerk submits that the information sought pertaining to the birth of a female child as enumerated in the application could not be immediately traced despite their best efforts. He assures the Commission that they shall make another sincere attempt to search and provide it."

The case has come up today. Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Clerk is present. He submits that the certificate sought by the complainant has been provided to him. As far as admission file of the patient is concerned, the record was lost in a fire triggered by short circuit. They are ready to file an affidavit on spot. The Commission feels that the available information has been provided. No further intervention is called for. The complaint is disposed.

Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

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Er. Arun Garg, S/o Sh. Sham Lal, R/o House No. 40-41, Central Town, Village-Lalton Kalan, Distt.- Ludhiana.

Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Director General of Police, Chandigarh.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.1187/2019

Versus

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
08.12.2018	Nil	01.02.2019	Nil	28.03.2019

Present: Appellant- None.

Respondents- HC Gurnam Singh;

CT Maninder Singh, O/o SSP, Mohali.

ORDER

The Commission made the following observations on 16.07.2019:

28.05.2019:-

"The appellant has sought exemption from appearance in the court on account of his ill health which is granted.

The respondents say that the complaint is pending before Deputy Superintendent of Police, Kharar. In this situation, no information can be provided. The perusal of the record does not suggest the contents of complaint. The reply is also vague. The respondents should candidly inform him the status of his case. In case they intend to withhold the information, they should specify the reasons and the provisions under which they intend to withhold the information.

The case has come up today on 16.07.2019. The DSP Kharar has requested that he is unable to attend the hearing due to his pre-occupation in another case in the High Court of Punjab & Haryana. It transpires that the appellant is seeking information on the matter which is being probed on the allegations of an intentional loss and fudging of record in

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Forensic Lab to their grave detriment. The matter, according to the respondents, is being probed. It shall be appropriate to await its completion so that the appellant can be

appropriately informed."

The case has come up today. The respondents say that enquiry as

mentioned above has been completed by DSP and has been forwarded to the DGP. They

have brought along the same to hand it over to the appellant. As the appellant is absent,

obviously the same could not be provided to him in person. The respondents are directed to

send it across by a registered post within 10 days from the receipt of this record positively. No

further action is called for. The appeal is disposed.

Sd/(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner

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Sh. Pawan Kumar Sharma, Advocate S/o Sh. Bhagwant Kishore, H.No.585, Phase-2, Mohali.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Senior Medical Officer, SAS Nagar (Mohali).

Respondent

Complaint Case No.1162/2018

Date of RTI			,	Date of Second
Application	any of SPIO	made, if any	II ally OI FAA	Appeal/ Complaint
20.09.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	01.11.2018

Present: Complainant- None.

Respondent- None.

ORDER

None is present. The matter is deferred to be heard later.

07.11.2019

Sd/-(Yashvir Mahajan) State Information Commissioner

CC: The Deputy Registrar, O/o Punjab State Information Commission. As the undersigned Bench shall be demitting its office, the case file is transferred to the Deputy Registrar to put it up before the Hon'ble CIC for allocation to another Bench as deemed appropriate.

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Captain Jaswant Singh, S/o Sh. Balwant Singh, Village-Kojli, Tehsil-Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur.

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Hargobindpur.

First Appellate Authority, O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Gurdaspur.

Respondents

Appellant

Appeal Case No.3109/2018

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	,	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
24.01.2018	Nil	21.02.2019	Nil	12.09.2018

Present: Appellant- None. Respondent- None.

ORDER

The appellant requested that the order of the Commission passed on 07.03.2019, while disposing off his appeal has not been complied with by the respondents. The case was taken up today to appraise the facts. The appellant through his letter dated 23.10.2019 has communicated the Commission that in compliance to the aforesaid orders the penalty has been drawn from the account of the BDPO and deposited in the Government Treasury. The copy of challan has also been enclosed. Since the appellant is satisfied, the Commission believes that there is no need to further intervene into the matter. The appeal is disposed.

Sd/-

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State Information Commissioner

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Sh.Jasbir Singh, Village Bholapur Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh,Distt.Ludhiana.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o District Transport Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.1411/2012

		Date of First Appeal made, if any	,	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
30.11.2011	Nil	Nil	Nil	22.05.2012

Present: Complainant- None.

Respondent- None.

<u>ORDER</u>

None is present. The matter is deferred to be heard later.

Sd/-

07.11.2019

(Yashvir Mahajan)
State Information Commissioner

CC: The Deputy Registrar, O/o Punjab State Information Commission. As the undersigned Bench shall be demitting its office, the case file is transferred to the Deputy Registrar to put it up before the Hon'ble CIC for allocation to another Bench as deemed appropriate.