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Complainant

(Regd. Post) Sh. Farvinder Singh, S/o Sh. Amarjit Singh,

Village Bagrian, Tehsil Malerkotla, District Sangrur. (M: 99159-60019)

PIN: 148018

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The Director,

Local Govt. Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03,

Municipal Bhawan, Chandigarh.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The Director, (LG -3)

Local Govt. Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03,

Municipal Bhawan, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Complaint Case No. 1117 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Complainant, Sh. Farvinder Singh is absent.

Sh. Jasbir Singh, PIO –cum- Superintendent from LG -3 Branch is present from the Department.

ORDER:

Dated: 08.03.2022

This case was last heard on 14.12.2021 vide which the concerned PIO was advised to look into this matter and supply the information to the Appellant accordingly.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Farvinder Singh is again absent.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Jasbir Singh states that the information which has been requested by the Complainant, Sh. Farvinder Singh is not clear and further states that the same has been sent to the Commission as well vide email dated 02.03.2022 in which letter dated 02.03.2022 along with another letter dated 13.08.2021 is attached. He also requests the Court if the Complainant, Sh. Farvinder Singh could visit at their office for collecting the specific information after clarifying the facts of this case.

After going through the case file, **the Complainant, Sh. Farvinder Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 05.04.2022 at 12.00 Noon** at the office of Sh. Jasbir Singh, Superintendent of LG 3 Branch and meet him personally for collecting the requisite information after clarifying the facts relating to this case.

The Superintendent, Sh. Jasbir Singh and the concerned PIO are directed to supply information to the Appellant after he identifies as per RTI on the concerned date and time.

If the Appellant does not visit the concerned office for collecting the information then it will be presumed that he does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

If the inspection could not took place from the Department's end then a strict action would be taken against the PIO concerned.

This case is adjourned to 28.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 28.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Appellant

Respondent

Sh. Gurpartap Singh, S/o Sh. Amrik Singh,

R/o Wahag Ke PO Khai Pheme Ki, Tehsil and District Ferozepur. (152003)

M: 98149-17234

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

 $\mathbf{O/o}$ The Panchayat Secretary,

Gram Panchayat, Wahke Block Mamdot, District Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The District Development Panchayat Officer,

Ferozepur.

Appeal Case No. 4168 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh is absent.

Sh. Pargat Singh, Panchayat Secretary is present from the Department.

ORDER:

Dated: 08.03.2022

This case was last heard on 14.12.2021 vide which the concerned PIO was directed to look into this matter and supply the information to the Appellant accordingly.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh is again absent.

On the other hand, the Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Pargat Singh states that the information which has been requested by the Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh is not clear and further requests the Court if the Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh could visit at their office for collecting the specific information after clarifying the facts of this case.

After going through the case file, **the Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 05.04.2022 at 12.00 Noon** at the office of Sh. Pargat Singh, Panchayat Secretary and meet him personally for collecting the requisite information after clarifying the facts relating to this case.

The Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Pargat Singh is directed to supply information to the Appellant after he identifies as per RTI on the concerned date and time.

If the Appellant does not visit the concerned office for collecting the information then it will be presumed that he does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

If the inspection could not took place from the Department's end then a strict action would be taken against the PIO concerned.

This case is adjourned to 28.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 28.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Sh. Gurpratap Singh, S/o Sh. Amrik Singh, R/o Wahag Ke PO Khai Pheme Ki, Tehsil and District Ferozepur. (152003) M: 98149-17234

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Panchayat Secretary,

Gram Panchayat, Wahke Block Mamdot, District Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The District Development Panchayat Officer,

Ferozepur.

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 4171 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh is absent.

Sh. Pargat Singh, Panchayat Secretary is present from the Department.

ORDER:

Dated: 08.03.2022

This case was last heard on 14.12.2021 vide which the concerned PIO was directed to look into this matter and supply the information to the Appellant accordingly.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh is again absent.

On the other hand, the Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Pargat Singh states that the information which has been requested by the Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh is not clear and further requests the Court if the Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh could visit at their office for collecting the specific information after clarifying the facts of this case.

After going through the case file, the Appellant, Sh. Gurpartap Singh is directed to visit the concerned office on 05.04.2022 at 12.00 Noon at the office of Sh. Pargat Singh, Panchayat Secretary and meet him personally for collecting the requisite information after clarifying the facts relating to this case.

The Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Pargat Singh is directed to supply information to the Appellant after he identifies as per RTI on the concerned date and time.

If the Appellant does not visit the concerned office for collecting the information then it will be presumed that he does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

If the inspection could not took place from the Department's end then a strict action would be taken against the PIO concerned.

This case is adjourned to 28.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 28.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Appellant

(Regd. Post) Sh. Nasib Singh, S/o Sh. Bahal Singh,

R/o Village Tutwala, Tehsil Abohar,

District Fazilka. (Punjab) M: 90232-90946

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Engineer.

Water Supply and Sanitation Department,

Near Raja Bajaj, Children's Park, Hanuman Garg Road,

Abohar.

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Superintending Engineer,

Water Supply and Sanitation Department,

Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2940 of 2021

Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Nasib Singh is absent.

Sh. Kuldeep Kumar, Sub Divisional Clerk is present from the Department.

ORDER:

Dated: 08.03.2022

This case was last heard on 14.12.2021 vide which the concerned PIO was directed to supply the information to the Appellant and further the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information.

In today's hearing, the Sub Divisional Clerk, Sh. Kuldeep Kumar states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant again on 05.03.2022 and the cover letter dated 04.03.2022 of the same has been sent to the Commission vide email dated 04.03.2022. He also mentions about an email dated 11.01.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On the other hand, the Appellant, Sh. Nasib Singh is again absent.

In view of above, final opportunity is given to the Appellant, Sh. Nasib Singh and he is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiency, if any, relating to supplied information 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.

The Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant after removing the deficiencies **if any pointed out by the Appellant well in time** and the PIO is further directed to submit the postal receipts to the Commission if any information would be sent to the Appellant again.

This case is adjourned to 28.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 28.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Sh. Charanjit Singh, S/o Palwinder Singh,

R/o H. No. 101, Spice Tower Street, Palahi Gate,

Phagwara. M: 93175-17633

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The District Project Director -cum-

District Education Officer (Elementary Education),

Kapurthala.

Respondent

Complainant

<u>Complaint Case No. 795 of 2021</u> <u>{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }</u>

Present: The Complainant, Sh. Charanjit Singh is present.

Ms. Harvinder Kaur, Legal Assistant is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 14.12.2021 vide which the concerned PIO was advised to supply the information to the Complainant relating to point number 04.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Charanjit Singh states that incomplete information has been supplied to him and further discusses about point number 4 of the RTI application.

On the other hand, the Legal Assistant, Ms. Harvinder Kaur mentions about a letter number 03.03.2022 vide which the reply relating to point number 04 has been written that:-

ਸੂਚਨਾ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਜੇ ਸਕੂਲ 25% ਸੀਟਾਂ ਦਿੰਦਾ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਉਸ ਨੂੰ ਫਾਰਮ ਨੰ:-3 ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਈ.ਐਕਟ ਤਹਿਤ ਭਰਨਾ ਲਾਜਮੀ ਹੈ ਕਿਉਂਕਿ ਇਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਹੀ ਬੱਚਿਆਂ ਦੀ ਲਿਸਟ ਹੁੰਦੀ ਹੈ।ਪਰ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਅਧੀਨ ਸਕੂਲ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇਹ ਫਾਰਮ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਨੂੰ ਨਹੀਂ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਇਸ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਇਹ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਨਿਲ ਹੈ।

On further discussion with the parties, I am of the view that the concerned PIO is directed to elaborate more relating to point number 4 of the RTI by mentioning in its reply that no forms have been deposited, hence, no list is there and submit the same to the Complainant as well as to the Commission by the next date of hearing through registered post.

The PIO is advised to submit the registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which the information would sent to the Appellant.

The Complainant, Sh. Charanjit Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiency, if any, relating to supplied information 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 28.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 28.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Dated: 08.03.2022

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Bharat Bhushan Mattu (M: 9779928472)

H. No. 153, Akash Nagar, Near Green Land School,

P.O. Central Post Office, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana (141008) Punjab

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The District Education Officer (Elementary Education),

Fatehgarh Sahib.

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Directorate Of Public Instructions (Elementary Education), Punjab,

S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 3956 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan Mattu is present.

Sh. Tejveer Singh, Senior Assistant is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 07.12.2021 vide which a show cause notice was issued to the concerned PIO and he was directed to appear in today's Court through Cisco Webex but he failed to do so.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan Mattu states that no information has been supplied to him till date and further requests for the same.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Tejveer Singh states that the record is with the office of the Vigilance Bureau. He further mentions about the letter number 17.01.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and a copy of the same has been sent to the Appellant as well.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as information is still not supplied to the Appellant till date and moreover despite of show cause notice issued to the PIO on the previous hearing, he is again absent and no authority letter is there with Senior Assistant, Sh. Tejveer Singh. The show cause notice which was issued to the concerned PIO vide order dated 07.12.2021 still stands.

In view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission, relating to this case for clarifying the facts of this case and submit the same to the Commission as well as to the Appellant on the next date of hearing and if the PIO would not personally appear in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and Court could take further action against him on the next date of hearing.

The Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear personally in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 06.04.2022 at 11.00 am and both the parties are directed to appear on the next date of hearing i.e. 06.04.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh.

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V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The District Education Officer (Elementary Education),

Hoshiarpur (Punjab).

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Directorate Of Public Instructions (Elementary Education), Punjab,

S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 3960 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan Mattu is present.

Sh. Satish Kumar, Superintendent is present from the Department.

ORDER:

Dated: 08.03.2022

This case was last heard on 07.12.2021 vide which the concerned PIO was directed to supply the information to the Appellant by the next date of hearing.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan Mattu states that he had pointed out deficiencies to the concerned department vide letter dated 27.12.2021 whose copy of the same has been sent to the Commission as well which is taken on record.

On the other hand, the Superintendent, Sh. Satish Kumar states that they have sent the information to the Appellant vide letter dated 18.02.2022 but they received back from the postal services and sent the information again to the Appellant vide letter dated 03.03.2022.

On this the Appellant states that he has received the information on 04.03.2022 vide letter 03.03.2022 to which he states that the information which has been supplied is incomplete in nature.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan is directed to go through the supplied information and point out the deficiencies in written to the concerned PIO as well as a copy of the same to the Commission within a week from today through registered post positively failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

The PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission (after removing the deficiencies), relating to this case for clarifying the facts of this case and submit the same to the Commission as well as to the Appellant on the next date of hearing and if the PIO would not personally appear in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and Court could take further action against him on the next date of hearing.

The Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear personally in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 06.04.2022 at 11.00 am and both the parties are directed to appear on the next date of hearing i.e. 06.04.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Chandigarh.

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Sh. Bharat Bhushan Mattu (M: 9463989230)

H. No. 153, Akash Nagar, Near Green Land School,

P.O. Central Post Office, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana (141008) Punjab

V/s.

Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o The District Education Officer (Elementary Education),

Roopnagar. (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Directorate Of Public Instructions (Elementary Education), Punjab,

S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3958 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan is absent.

Ms. Jaskiran Kaur, Clerk is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 07.12.2021 vide which the concerned PIO was directed to look into this matter and supply the information to the Appellant accordingly.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan states that the information which has been supplied to him is incomplete in nature and further mentions that the deficiencies have been pointed out by him vide letter dated 17.01.2022 to the concerned department as well as to the Commission.

On the other hand, the Clerk, Ms. Jaskiran Kaur mentions about a reply which have been given to the Appellant vide letter dated 27.01.2022 in which it has been written that :-

ਹਵਾਲਾ- ਆਪ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰਬਰ ਮਿਤੀ 17-01-2022 ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ।
ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਆਪ ਵਲੋਂ ਮਿਤੀ 09-06-2021 ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਦੇ ਲੜੀ ਨੰਬਰ 3 ਅਤੇ 4 ਅਧੀਨ
ਸੂਚਨਾ ਮੰਗੀ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਵੀ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ, ਹੁਣ ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਮੁੜ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਐਸ.ਸੀ
(ਐਮ.ਬੀ) ਕੈਟਾਗਿਰੀ ਅਧੀਨ ਸਬੰਧਤ ਉਮੀਦਵਾਰ ਜੋ ਨਿਯੁਕਤੀ ਲਈ ਸਿਲੈਕਟ ਹੋਏ ਸਨ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਤਜੁਰਬਾ ਸਰਟੀਫਿਕੈਟ ਦਾ
ਲਾਭ ਨਹੀਂ ਮਿਲਿਆ ਕਿਉਂਕਿ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਵਲੋਂ ਆਪਈਆਂ ਅਰਜੀਆਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਤਰਾਂ ਦਾ ਤਜੁਰਬਾ ਸਰਟੀਫਿਕੈਟ ਨੱਥੀ ਨਹੀਂ
ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ।

On further discussion relating to point number 3 it has been found that there are more than 1200 record of all categories to which the **Appellant**, **Sh. Bharat Bhushan is directed to visit the concerned office on 05.04.2022 at 12.00 Noon** at the office of Ms. Jaskiran Kaur , Clerk for collecting the requisite information after identifying the specific ones which he requires..

The Clerk, Ms. Jaskiran Kaur and the concerned PIO are directed to supply specific information to the Appellant after he identifies the same as per RTI on the concerned date and time.

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

If the inspection could not took place from the Department's end then a strict action would be taken against the PIO concerned.

This case is adjourned to 28.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 28.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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P.O. Central Post Office, Ludhiana, District Ludhiana (141008) Punjab

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The District Education Officer (Elementary Education),

Hoshiarpur. (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Directorate Of Public Instructions (Elementary Education), Punjab,

S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 3963 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan Mattu is present.

Sh. Satish Kumar, Superintendent is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 07.12.2021.

On the last hearing, the Appellant was directed "to submit the requisite fees as per RTI Act, 2005 against the information to the concerned department within three weeks from today and if he fails to deposit the requisite fees to the concerned department then it would be presumed that he does not require the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits."

Today on asking the Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan if he has deposited the concerned requisite fees against the information to which it has been found that he has not deposited the requisite fees till date.

Commission takes a serious view against the Appellant as the previous order dated 07.12.2021 of the Commission clearly explains that the information would be supplied to the Appellant only after depositing the requisite fees.

Last and final opportunity is given to the Appellant, Sh. Bharat Bhushan to deposit the requisite fees as per RTI Act, 2005 against the information to the concerned department within two weeks from today and if he fails this time to deposit the requisite fees (against 7500 pages) to the concerned department then it would be presumed that he does not require the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

Also, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite point wise information as per RTI Application to the Appellant only if the Appellant would deposit the requisite fees to them well in time and the PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would be sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

This case is adjourned to 28.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 28.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Harnek Singh, S/o Sh. Dhan Singh,

R/o Village Kheri Jattan, Tehsil Dhuri, District Sangrur (M: 94636-11513)

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate,

Dhuri (Sangrur).

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate,

Dhuri (Sangrur).

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 3923 of 2021
{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

The Appellant, Sh. Harnek Singh is present.

Sh. Aakash Taneja, Patwari from Dhuri is present.

ORDER:

Present:

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 07.12.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Harnek Singh who personally appears in the Commission states that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, the Patwari, Sh. Aakash Taneja states that he has shown the information to his nephew named as Jaspreet on the time of his visit at his office but he doesnot deposit the Government fees (ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਫੀਸ) to which they were unable to provide him the information.

On asking the Appellant, Sh. Harnek Singh if he knows anything about this; to which he states that he doesnot know about the previous order or about Jaspreet (i.e. his nephew's visit), as he might have visited.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Harnek Singh is directed to collect the concerned information from the concerned department after depositing the Government fees (ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਫੀਸ) to them and the Appellant is further directed to appear on the next date of hearing for clarifying the facts of this case which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software, failing which it would be presumed that he does not require the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

To which the Appellant, Sh. Harnek Singh assures that this time he will visit the concerned office personally and deposit the Government fees (ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਫੀਸ) for collecting the information.

The PIO is directed to submit the copy of acknowledgement receipt to the Commission which would be signed by the Appellant after collecting the requisite information and the concerned PIO is also directed to appear on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.

This case is adjourned to 27.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 27.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Dated: 08.03.2022

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Ranjit Singh, (M: 86991-49400)

98, Beant Nagar, PAP Line, Jalandhar. (Pin: 144006)

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The Block Primary Education Officer, (East-I),

Village Kaki, Jalandhar.

Respondent

Complainant

PSIC

Complaint Case No. 1082 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Complainant, Sh. Ranjit Singh is present.

Sh. Roshan Lal, BPEO is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 07.12.2021.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Ranjit Singh states that no information has been supplied to him till date. He further mentions about his letter which has been received in the Commission vide diary number 2085 dated 02.02.2022, which is taken on record.

On the other hand, it is found that the BPEO, Sh. Roshan Lal doesnot know anything about this case.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as information is still not supplied to the Complainant till date and moreover the present person from the department doesn't know anything about this case.

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 Block Primary Education Officer, (East- I), Village Kaki, Jalandhar, 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 through registered post.

The concerned PIO is advised to go the previous order of the Commission dated 07.12.2021 and further the PIO is directed supply the requisite information to the Complainant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively 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 Complainant till date, <u>failing which an action would be taken against the concerned</u> PIO.

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

To which, Sh. Roshan Lal, BPEO assures that he would look into this matter and make assure the information would be supplied to the Complainant by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Complainant, Sh. Ranjit Singh 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.

Complaint Case No. 1082 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}





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(Sanjiv Garg)

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Punjab

Show Cause: (Regd. Post)

Dated: 08.03.2022

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Block Primary Education Officer, (East-I), Village Kaki, Jalandhar. {Encl. RTI Application}

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Pin: 143001, Mob: 98153-62281

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

0/o The Secretary, Local Government Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 3, Chandigarh.

 $First\,Appellate\,Authority,$

O/o The Secretary, Local Government Department, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 3, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 3827 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Amritpal Singh is present.

Sh. Vikas Kumar, Senior Assistant, Municipal Service Cell is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 07.12.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Amritpal Singh states that no information has been supplied to him till date and further requests for the same.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Vikas Kumar states mentions about a letter dated 01.02.2022 and 07.10.2020 which has been sent to the Commission as well as the Appellant.

On further discussion with the parties it has been found that the Appellant has received the letter dated 01.02.2022 which states that the enquiry is going on at the office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar but the Appellant, Sh. Amritpal Singh does not have any correspondence or letter to which he would be able to trace the same at office of Commissioner, MC, Amritsar.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the proper reply along with corresponding letters and clear the status of the same till the date of the Applicant's RTI to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively 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, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The 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, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Amritpal Singh 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.

This case is adjourned to 27.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 27.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Block Primary Education Officer, (East- I),

Village, Kaki, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director Public Instructions, (EE),

Punjab, S.A.S Nagar, Mohali

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 3816 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Ranjit Singh is present.

Sh. Roshan Lal, BPEO is present from the Department.

ORDER:

Dated: 08.03.2022

This order may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 07.12.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Ranjit Singh states that no information has been supplied to him till date and further requests for the same. He further mentions about the letter dated 31.01.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On further discussion with the BPEO, Sh. Roshan Lal, he states that no grant has been made and the concerned person has deposited matta (ਮੱਤਾ) at his own level.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information (as per RTI) to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively 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, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The 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, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Ranjit Singh 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.

This case is adjourned to 27.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 27.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Complainant

Public Information Officer,

0/o The Director Public Instructions, (Primary), Punjab, S.A.S Nagar, Sector 62, PSEB Complex (Mohali)

Respondent

Complaint Case No. 1107 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present: The Complainant, Ms. Mohinder Kaur is present.

Ms. Sukhvinder Kaur, Superintendent is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 07.12.2021.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Ms. Mohinder Kaur states that no information has been supplied to him till date and further requests for the same.

V/s.

On the other hand, Superintendent, Ms. Sukhvinder Kaur states that the information is not available in their official record and they have also filed an affidavit dated 07.03.2022 before the Commission for the same, which is accepted and taken on record.

As per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 nothing is left to be supplied in this case but on humanitarian grounds last opportunity is given to the Appellant.

In view of above, the Complainant, Ms. Mohinder Kaur is directed to visit the concerned office on 05.04.2022 at 11.00 A.M. at the concerned office and meet PIO personally for collecting the requisite information after clarifying the facts relating to this case.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply information to the Appellant after she identifies as per RTI on the concerned date and time.

This case is adjourned to 27.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 27.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Sh. Yogesh Mahajan, S/o Late Kuldip Raj Mahajan,

Opposite Water Tank, Municipal Market, Mission Road,

Pathankot (M: 98143-54649)

V/s.

Public Information Officer.

O/o The Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Division No. 01, Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Superintending Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Circle,

Bathinda.

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 1637 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

The Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan is present. Present:

Sh. Manpreet Harshi, XEN-cum PIO is present from the Department.

ORDER:

Dated: 08.03.2022

This order may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 07.12.2021.

In today's hearing, the PIO, Sh. Manpreet states that the information has been sent to the Appellant and further apologized for non appearance during the previous hearing which is accepted.

None is present from the Appellant.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan 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.

The 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, by the next date of hearing.

This case is adjourned to 28.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 28.06.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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