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Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Secy., Regional Transport, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority O/o Secy., Regional Transport, Ludhiana

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2716 of 2021 **Heard through CISCO WEBEX**

Present: Appellant- Sh. Jasbir Singh.

Respondent – Sh. Amardeep Singh, Clerk (9878977003)

Order

- 1. The RTI application is dated 23.12.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.1.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 09.06.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 08.03.2022 at 11.30 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present. The respondent, Sh. Amardeep Singh states that requisite information has already been sent to the appellant but the appellant denies receipt of the information. Accordingly, respondent PIO is directed to send requisite information again to the appellant through registered post with a copy of the Commission.
- 3. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on 11.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX **application**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Pankaj Kumar s/o(9988241285)

Sh. Nabh Singh, MCB Zone-6, H.No.3225, Gali No.1-B, Sukhpeer Road, Bathinda-151301.

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o M.C., Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, M.C., Bathinda

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2718 of 2021 Heard through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Appellant: Sh. Sanjiv Goyal on behalf of the appellant.

Respondent – Sh. Sandip Kataria, Chief Sanitary Inspector

Order

- 1. The RTI application is dated 05.02.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 08.03.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 10.06.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 08.03.2022 at 11.30 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present. Representative of the appellant, Sh. Sanjiv Goyal states that he is satisfied with the supplied information in connection with point no. 5 and there are some discrepancies in the other points and an email dated 08.03.2022 has already been sent to the Commission. Appellant is advised to send a copy of deficiencies to the respondent PIO too.
- 3. Respondent, Sh. Sandeep Kataria states that demanded information has already been sent to the appellant. He is advised to remove the deficiency as per RTI application within ten days after receipt of the deficiency letter.
- 4. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person or through their representative(s) on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 5. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on <u>11.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M.</u> through CISCO WEBEX application. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Public Information Officer

O/o M.C., Bathinda

Sh. Lakhbir Trikha (DCFA-cum-PIO)

(Regd. Post) O/o M.C., Bathinda

Dated: 8.3.2022 (11:30 A.M.)

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, M.C., Bathinda Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2796 of 2021 Heard through CISCO Webex

Versus

Present: Appellant: Sh. Sanjiv Goyal on behalf of appellant

Respondent – Sh. Lakhbir Trikha (DCFA-cum-PIO) (9780042159).

Order

- 1. The RTI application is dated 12.10.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 15.03.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.06.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 08.03.2022 at 11.30 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both appellant and respondents are present.
- 3. Sh. Sanjiv Goyal appearing on behalf of the appellant states that the department is unable to provide the information till date.
- 4. The respondent states that the information relates to various PIOs (three) and he will inform all the PIOs to supply the information so that the same can be provided to the appellant.
- 5. After discussing with both the parties and examining the case file, the Bench, as per observations made above, is of the view that the appellant cannot seek information on single RTI application from multiple authorities. A full Bench of State Information Commission, Punjab in Complaint Case No. 2903 of 2011 has decided on 13.01.2012, which is as under:-

"We hold that under Section (3) of the Act ibid, the legal obligation of a PIO who receives a request for information under Section 6(1) of the Act is limited to transfer this request to only one public authority that holds the information. This obligation does not extend to transfer to multiple authorities.

- 6. The Bench advises the appellant to go for seeking information by filing RTI application before a specific public authority that has separate PIO in near future.
- 7. Respondent PIOs are advised to supply the information within ten days after receipt of this order as per RTI application. Appellant is advised to point out deficiency specifically within seven days after receipt of the information under intimation to the Commission.
- 8. Both the parties are advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 9. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on 11.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Respondent

Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, (9814230616)

s/o Sh. Harbans Lal, R/O Romana Street, JAITO, Distt. Faridkot

Versus

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o EO, Nagar Council, Sangat Mandi

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Bathinda

Appeal Case No.: 2770 of 2021

Heard through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant- Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg

Respondent - Absent.

Order

- 1. The RTI application is dated 26.10.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 23.03.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.6.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 08.03.2022 at 11.30 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing, appellant Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg states that information with regard to point No.1 has been received. Information with regard to point No.2 has not been received. The information with regard to point No.7 has been given but without attestation.
- 3. Respondent PIO is absent despite being aware about the date of hearing. Today is the first hearing; accordingly, one more opportunity is given to him to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively along with directions to supply the attested copy of the complete requisite information as per RTI application to the appellant within seven days after receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission. A copy of this order be sent to him by name through <u>registered post</u> for his ready reference.
- 4. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **20.04.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Sh. Sanjeev Goyal, (9814197689)

s/o Sh. Ashok Kumar, H.No.148, Model Town, Phase-I, Bathinda

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o D.C., Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

O/o D.C., Bathinda Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2797 of 2021 Heard through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant- Sh. Sanjiv Goyal.

Respondent – Ms Saroj Rani (PIO) (9815535678)

Order

- 1. The RTI application is dated 17.02.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 15.03.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.06.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 8.3.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both appellant and respondent are present.
- 3. The appellant states that sufficient time has gone but information with regard to point No.1,4 &5 has not been received from the respondent department till date.
- 4. The respondent PIO states that she is ready to give information again regarding point no. 1, 4 and 5 as pointed out by the appellant.
- 5. After detailed deliberations, the Commission advises the appellant to visit office of the respondent department on 17.3.2022 at 11.00 a.m. for inspection of record. He is also advised to point out the deficiencies if any, as per the RTI application. The respondent may also ensure her presence during the given time period and provide the information to the appellant under intimation to the Commission.
- 6. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on <u>21.04.2022 at 11:00 A.M.</u> through CISCO WEBEX <u>application</u>. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 8.3.2022 (11:30 A.M.)

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Respondent

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s/o Sh. Ashok Kumar, H.No.148, Model Town, Phase-I, Bathinda

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o M.C., Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, MC, Bathinda

Appeal Case No.: 2720 of 2021 Heard through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant- Sh. Sanjiv Goyal

Respondent – Absent.

Order

- 1. The RTI application is dated 05.02.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 08.03.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 10.6.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 08.03.2022 at 11.30 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing, appellant, Sh. Sanjiv Goyal states that there are discrepancies in the supplied information.
- 3. Respondent PIO is absent despite being aware about the date of hearing. Today is the first hearing of this case; accordingly one opportunity is awarded to him to remove the deficiencies within one week after receipt of this order. A copy of this order be sent to him through **registered post.**
- 4. Appellant is also advised to represent this case on the next date of positively, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 5. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on <u>12.04.2022 at 11:00 A.M.</u> through CISCO WEBEX <u>application</u>. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o D.C., Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

O/o D.C., Bathinda Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2798 of 2021 Heard through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant- Sh. Sanjiv Goyal.

Respondent – Ms Saroj Rani (PIO) (9815535678)

Order

- 1. The RTI application is dated 17.02.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 15.03.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.06.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 8.3.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both appellant and respondent are present.
- 3. The appellant states that information is misprinted in connection with point no. 5.
- 4. The respondent PIO states that she is ready to give information again regarding point no. 5 as pointed out by the appellant.
- 5. After detailed deliberations, the Commission advises the appellant to visit office of the respondent department on 17.3.2022 at 11.00 a.m. for inspection of record regarding information in connection with point no. 5 of the RTI application. The respondent may also ensure her presence during the given time period and provide the information to the appellant under intimation to the Commission.
- 6. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on <u>13.04.2022 at 11:00 A.M.</u> through CISCO WEBEX <u>application</u>. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Respondent

Sh. Rajnish Khosla

#77, R, State Bank Colony, White Avenue,

Versus

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o M.C., Amritsar

Sh. Dheeraj Kumar (Building Inspector)

(Regd. Post) O/o M.C., Amritsar

Complaint case No.: 597 of 2021 Heard through CISCO Webex

Present: Complainant- Sh. Avnish Khosla on behalf of complainant.

Respondent – Sh. Dheeraj Kumar (Building Inspector) (9914686456).

Order

Amritsar.

- The above mentioned case was earlier heard by the Bench of Ld. SIC, Sh. Hem Inder Singh on 18.11.2021 vide which respondent PIO was absent. Last and final opportunity was awarded to the respondent PIO to supply the requisite information through registered post within fifteen days. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 25.01.2022, which was postponed and fixed for 08.03.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. Respondent, Sh. Dheeraj Kumar states that reply has already been sent to the appellant on 28.06.2021.
- 4. Complainant intimates the Commission that respondent PIO was directed by the Commission after discussion on 18.11.2021 regarding supplied reply dated 28.06.2021 but after that he has not even supplied a single page even after the directions of the Commission.
- 5. After hearing both the parties and examining the documents placed on record, it is observed that ample time has elapsed but respondent's causal approach towards his duties as a Public Servant is uncalled for. A final opportunity is awarded to him to supply the complete requisite information to the appellant on his visit to the respondent's office on 15.03.2022, failing which action as per RTI Act will be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO. A copy of this order be sent to him by name along with a copy to Sh. Dheeraj Kumar through **registered post** for their ready reference.
- 6. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on <u>13.04.2022 at 11:00 A.M.</u> through CISCO WEBEX <u>application</u>. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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