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Shri George Subh,
S/o Sh. Rustam Masih,
R/o Begowal, Ward No. 12,
Tehsil Bholath, Distt. Kapurthala.

.....Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Principal Secretary,
Social Justice Empowerment
And Minorities Deptt., Punjab,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority:

O/o Principal Secretary,
Social Justice Empowerment
And Minorities Deptt., Punjab,
Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2807 of 2020

Present:- Shri George Subh, appellant is absent.
Smt. Surjeet Kaur, APIO-cum-Suptd. along with Shri Vikramjit Singh, Sr. Asstt. is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Director, Social Justice Empowerment and Minorities, Deptt., Pb., Chandigarh.

O R D E R

Shri George Subh, appellant filed RTI application dated 23.09.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Principal Secretary, Social Justice Empowerment and Minorities Deptt., Punjab, Chandigarh.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meeting Software.

The appellant is absent today, whereas the respondents have appeared on behalf of the SPIO. The respondents requested for some time to provide the sought for information to the appellant.

So the SPIO is directed that the attested copies of information as was sought by the appellant through his RTI application dated 23.09.2019 be sent to him within a week through registered post and copy of the same be sent to the Commission for compliance. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission show cause notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **11.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 08.06.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Shri Nitin Kumar Garg,
C/o Police Public Dairy,
15-A, Shastari Nagar, Model Town,
Ludhiana.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Kapurthala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Health & Family Welfare, Punjab,
Sector-34, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3100 of 2020

Present:- Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, appellant is present.
Dr. Kuljit Singh, O/o Civil Surgeon, Kapurthala is present.

O R D E R

Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.05.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Kapurthala. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 15.08.2020. Then he filed Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 15.10.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. The Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties to be heard through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Both the parties are present today.

The respondent stated that the information has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 01.01.2021 and a copy of the same has also been sent to the Commission as compliance.

On the other hand the appellant stated that the information sent by the SPIO is not satisfactory.

Under these circumstances, the SPIO is directed that the attested copies of complete information, specifically point-wise, be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **08.07.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 08.06.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri R.P. Singh,
Through Shri Gurmail Singh Nahar, Advocate,
4th Floor, Near Public Lift,
Court Complex, Ludhiana.

..... Appellant

Vs

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

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

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3115 of 2020

Present:- Shri R.P. Singh, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

O R D E R

Shri R.P. Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 04.08.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 07.09.2020 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 20.10.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties to be heard **through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him by the SPIO till date.

The SPIO though is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission, which is a copy of letter no. AC-3115/20 dated 27.05.2021.

I have gone through the above said letter and it is submitted by the SPIO that the information cannot be provided to the appellant U/s 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act, 2005 as the investigation is still pending before the SHO, Divn. No. 5, Ludhiana.

Under these circumstances the SPIO is directed that the attested copies of sought for information be provided to the appellant before the next date of hearing and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **11.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 08.06.2021

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Shri Harinder Pal Singh,
S/o Shri Dalbir Singh,
R/o H. No. 278, Near Old Talab,
Hira Mahal Colony,
Nabha.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o E.O., Nagar Council,
Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

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

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3122 of 2020

Present:- Shri Harinder Pal Singh, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o E.O., Nagar Council, Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

O R D E R

Shri Harinder Pal Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 06.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o E.O., Nagar Council, Nabha, Distt. Patiala. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 19.08.2020 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 20.10.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties to be heard **through CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that he has received 76 pages of information on 05.01.2021 sent by the SPIO, but the said information is not in line with the RTI application.

Under these circumstances, the SPIO is directed that attested copies of sought for information, specifically point-wise, be sent to the appellant through registered post within 10 days and copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance. Non compliance of the Order of the Commission would be viewed seriously.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **11.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 08.06.2021

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**

Shri Lajpat Rai Garg, S/o Shri Harbans Lal,
B-3/287, Romana Street,
Jaito, Faridkot.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Nagar Council,
Jaito.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Local Govt.
Ferozepur.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3129 of 2020

Present:- Shri Lajpat Rai Garg, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Nagar Council, Jaito.

O R D E R

Shri Lajpat Rai Garg, appellant filed RTI application dated 21.03.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Nagar Council, Jaito. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 03.08.2020 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 20.10.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties to be heard **through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the SPIO.

The Commission has received a mail sent by the First Appellate Authority, O/o Deputy Director, Local Govt. Ferozepur on 20.05.2021, diarized vide no.10990, which is a copy of letter no.8070 dated 07.04.2021vide which a direction was issued to the SPIO-cum-EO, Nagar Council, Jaito to provide the information to the appellant and to appear before the Commission for today. But inspite of the directions none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO.

The appellant has filed RTI application on 21.03.2020 and a period of more than one year has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant till date. The appellant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs. 2,000/- is awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days along with attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **11.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 08.06.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Shri Ram Dass, S/o Shri Mamraj,
Village Chandbhan,
Distt. Faridkot.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o E.O.,
Nagar Council, Jaito.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Local Govt.
Ferozepur.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3130 of 2020

Present:- Shri Ram Dass, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Nagar Council, Jaito.

O R D E R

Shri Ram Dass, appellant filed RTI application dated 21.03.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o E.O., Nagar Council, Jaito. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 01.08.2020 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 20.10.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties to be heard **through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.**

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the SPIO.

The Commission has received a mail sent by the First Appellate Authority, O/o Deputy Director, Local Govt. Ferozepur on 19.04.2021, diarized vide no.8671, which is a copy of letter no.8183 dated 07.04.2021vide which a direction was issued to the SPIO-cum-EO, Nagar Council, Jaito to provide the information to the appellant and to appear before the Commission for today. But inspite of the directions none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO.

The appellant has filed RTI application on 21.03.2020 and a period of more than one year has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant till date. The appellant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs. 2,000/- is awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days along with attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **11.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 08.06.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Shri Nanak Ram,
S/o Shri Ghisa Ram, Hasal Patti,
Jaito, Distt. Faridkot.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o E.O.,
Nagar Council, Jaito.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Local Govt.
Ferozepur.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3131 of 2020

Present:- Shri Nanak Ram, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Nagar Council, Jaito.

O R D E R

Shri Nanak Ram, appellant filed RTI application dated 14.03.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o E.O., Nagar Council, Jaito. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 03.08.2020 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 20.10.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties to be heard **through CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the SPIO.

The Commission has received a mail sent by the First Appellate Authority, O/o Deputy Director, Local Govt. Ferozepur on 19.04.2021, diarized vide no.8670, which is a copy of letter no.8181 dated 07.04.2021vide which a direction was issued to the SPIO-cum-EO, Nagar Council, Jaito to provide the information to the appellant and to appear before the Commission for today. But inspite of the directions none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO.

The appellant has filed RTI application on 14.03.2020 and a period of more than one year has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant till date. The appellant is suffering from the hands of the SPIO. So, a compensation of Rs. 2,000/- is awarded in favour of the appellant to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 15 days along with attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **11.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 08.06.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Shri Vijay Kumar, Retd. Panchayat Officer, (M: 98144-09250),
C/o Shri Neeraj Sharma,
65, Type-II, P.U. Residential Complex,
Sector 25, Chandigarh.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
Director,
Health and Family Welfare Deptt., PB.,
Sector 34, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1404 of 2020

Present:- Shri Vijay Kumar, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Pathankot.

O R D E R

Shri Vijay Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 29.01.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Pathankot.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that the complete sought for information has not been provided to him by the SPIO.

I have gone through the Order dated 27.05.2021 and on that date both the parties were present. The SPIO stated that the information which was available in the official records has already been provided to the appellant, so the SPIO was directed that she should file a duly attested affidavit by submitting that the information, which was available in the office of the public authority has already been provided to the appellant and except that no other information is available in the office of the public authority and send the affidavit to the Commission and to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

Today, though the SPIO is absent, however, she has sent an e-mail to the Commission, which is a copy of self declaration made by the SPIO. I have gone through the said self declaration, which is not acceptable.

So, the SPIO is directed to send the duly attested affidavit by submitting that the information which was available in the office of the public authority has already been provided to the appellant and except that no other information is available in the office of the public authority. The SPIO should send the original affidavit to the appellant through registered post and copy of the same to the Commission within 15 days.

Appeal Case No. 1404 of 2020

The SPIO is further directed to file reply to the show cause notice in writing issued to her vide Order dated 10.03.2021 and send the same to the Commission before the next date of hearing and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to her on the next date of hearing. In case she would not file reply to the show cause notice then it will be assumed that she do not want to say anything in her defense and the show cause notice will be decided on the basis of papers available on the file.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **12.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 08.06.2021

**Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**