



Sh. Balram, S/o Sh. Ram Narain
R/o Village Dharampura, Tehsil Abohar
Distt. Fazilka (946374663)

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO Khuia Sarwar at Abohar

First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Fazilka

.....Respondent

AC.No. 3556 of 2021

Present : (I) Sh. Prem Singh, Advocate on behalf of the appellant (9417167929) (through CISCO)
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 01.12.2021 vide which, the respondent was directed to provide the information to the appellant free of cost.

2. Today Sh. Prem Singh , Counsel for the appellant is appearing without authority letter. He states that no information has been given to the appellant so far.

3. The respondent is absent today. He has sent mail stating that he is busy in Election duty, hence he has sought another date.

4. The respondent is directed to bring complete record on the next date of hearing in the Commission. *Sh. Prem Singh, Counsel of the respondent is directed to send his vakalatnama/memo of appearance before the next date of hearing to the Commission.*

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AC.No. 3556 of 2021

5. On the request of the respondent, the above said appeal case is adjourned to **11.03.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

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Sh Jasbir Singh, Guru Nanak Nagar, (9888296107)
Village Bholapur, Jhabewal, Post Office Ramgarh,
District Ludhiana-141123

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner Of Police, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner Of Police, Ludhiana

2. Public Information Officer, (REGISTERED POST)
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No. 3165 of 2021

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.10.2021 and 03.12.2021. During the hearing dated 27.10.2021 the appellant stated that no information has been given to him. The respondent stated that the information is lying with PIO, o/o DC, Ludhiana, hence, PIO, o/o DC, Ludhiana was impleaded as respondent no.2. On the next date of hearing i.e. 03.12.2021, neither the appellant nor the respondent o/o DC, Ludhiana was present. Therefore, last opportunity was given to him to appear before the Commission.

2. Today again neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. The appellant Sh. Jasbir Singh has sent mail mentioning therein that no information has been given to him so far. The respondent is again absent today. However, taking a lenient view due to elections, one more opportunity is given to the PIO, o/o DC, Ludhiana. He may take note that this is the last opportunity given to him to appear before the Commission, otherwise show cause will be issued on the next date of hearing.

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AC No. 3165 of 2021

3. To come up on **18.04.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission .
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated : 09.02.2022

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Sh.Sarabjit Singh Gill, Whistle Blower, C/o Dhamatia Office
1331-5, Street No. 5, Near Vishawkarma Bhawan
Down Canal Road, Simla Puri, Ludhiana – 141003
(9888710031, 9888490031)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, Nagar Council, Sirhind

First Appellate Authority
O/o EO, Nagar Council
Sirhind

.....Respondent

AC No. 2622 of 2021

Present : (i) Sh. Gurmej Lal on behalf of the appellant through CISCO Webex
(ii) For the respondent : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous orders dated 15.12.2021 and 15.09.2021, vide which an inspection rights were given to the appellant .

2. Today Sh. Gurmej Lal is appearing on behalf of the appellant and states that no information has been given to him so far

3. The respondent is absent today.

4. After going through the case file, it is observed that an inspection rights have been given to the appellant two times i.e. on 15.09.2021 and 15.12.2021, but he has failed to inspect the record. This is sheer wastage of the time of Public Authority as well as the Commission. If appellant repeats the same, necessary action will be taken against him. However, on the request of the representative of the appellant, one last opportunity is given to the appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case.

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AC No. 2622 of 2021

5. To come up on **11.05.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

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Sh Iqbal Singh, S/o Sh Jagjit Singh, (M-9915751994)
R/o VPO Puhalla Patti, Gurbaksh,
Tehsil Nathana, Distt Bathinda

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Nathana, Distt Bathinda
First Appellate Authority,
O/o BDPO, Nathana, Distt Bathinda

.....Respondent

AC No. 3152 of 2021

Present : (I) Sh. Iqbal Singh the appellant *in the Commission*
(ii) None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 03.12.2021, vide which the appellant was advised to point out deficiencies in the information provided.

2. Today the appellant Sh. Iqbal Singh states that he has not received any information after deficiencies pointed out by him.
3. The respondent is absent today.
4. Taking a lenient view, one last opportunity is given to the respondent to appear before the Commission and state his case.
5. To come up on **28.03.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab



Sh Manjit Rai, H. No 89,

Mann Singh Nagar, Ladhewali Road
PO Chuggitti, Jalandhar 144009

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (SE) Hoshiarpur

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DEO(SE) Hoshiarpur

.....Respondent

AC No. 3554 of 2021

Present : (I) Sh. Manjit Rai the appellant *in the Commission*
(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 01.12.2021 vide which, PIO was directed to appear before the Commission.

2. Today the appellant states that complete information has not been given to him so far.

3. The respondent PIO is absent today. He has sent a mail that he is unable to attend the hearing due to election duty.

4. After hearing the appellant and going through the case file, it is ascertained that the appellant filed RTI with the respondent on 05.04.2021, but after lapse of more than ten months, incomplete information has been given to him. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission. This is indeed a serious matter.

5. In view of the above, **Sh. Gursharan Singh, DEO(SE), Hoshiarpur** is directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why

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AC No. 3554 of 2021

penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby 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 note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

Further, the respondent is also directed to bring complete record in the Commission office on the next date of hearing.

6. To come up on **28.03.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated : 09.02.2022

Sd/-
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CC: Sh.Gursharan Singh,DEO(SE),Hoshiarpur

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Sh. Jasvir Singh, S/o Late Sh. Hussan Singh
R/o Kothi No. 241, Phase 1, Mohali (9872168214)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, Mohali
First Appellate Authority ,
O/o IGP, Ropar Range, Ropar

.....Respondent

AC No. 4153 of 2021

Present : (I) Sh. Jasvir Singh the appellant through CISCO Webex
(ii) For the respondent : None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.01.2022 vide which the appellant was absent and one opportunity was given to him to appear before the Commission.

2. Today, the appellant Sh. Jasvir Singh is appearing through CISCO webex . He states that he is not satisfied with the reply of the respondent. He has sought another date.

3. The respondent is absent today.

4. On the request of the appellant , the abovesaid appeal case is adjourned to **25.03.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

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Sh. Deepak Kalia,
31, Kailash Nagar,
Jalandhar

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Jalandhar

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4824 of 2021

Present : (I) Sh. Deepak Kalia the appellant (through telephone)

(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Amrit Pal Singh, Jr. Assistnat (7009724851), Smt. Deepika Sharma, Clerk (establishment Branch) 9115261396, Smt. Anudeep, HRA (HSC Branch) 98152030157 through CISCO Webex

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 18.01.2021 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 13.03.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.10.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The present appeal case was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner Shri Avtar Singh Kaler in which notice of hearing was issued. However, since the Ld. State Information Commissioner Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned

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Appeal Case No. 4824 of 2021

3. This case was earlier fixed for 04.01.2022 but has been postponed to be heard on 09.02.2022 through CISCO-Webex(Video-Conferencing Application) I.e. today.
4. Today, the appellant Sh. Deepak Kalia states that he has not received complete information related to his RTI. Sh. Amritpal Singh, Clerk, Smt. Deepika Clerk and Smt. Anudeep , HRA from the concerned branches appeared before the Commission to defend the case on behalf of the respondent. They states that the information sought by the appellant has been provided to him. The respondent has also sent his reply to the Commission. The same is taken on record.
5. Since, the appellant is not satisfied, all the respondents of concerned branches are directed to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith pointwise reply and copy of information in the Commission.
6. To come up on 25.03.2022 at 12.00 PM for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

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Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex
Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
O/o Sub Registrar, Jalandhar-I
First Appellate Authority
O/o SDM, Jalandhar-I

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4853 of 2021

Present : (I) None is present on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Rohit Kumar, Clerk (9463654356) through Webex

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 04.05.2021 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 05.06.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.10.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

7. The present appeal case was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner Shri Avtar Singh Kaler in which notice of hearing was issued. However, since the Ld. State Information Commissioner Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned

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Appeal Case No. 4853 of 2021

8. This case was earlier fixed for 04.01.2022 but has been postponed to be heard on 09.02.2022 through CISCO-Webex(Video-Conferencing Application) I.e. today.
9. The appellant is absent today. He has informed on phone that he is unable to attend today's hearing, hence he has sought another date. He states that he has pointed out deficiencies to the respondent.
10. The respondent states that they have sent their reply to the appellant as well as to the commission.
11. On the request of the appellant, the appeal case is adjourned to **25.03.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab



S. Ujjagar Singh, (9878961815)
S/o Late S Bant Singh,
Street No 1, Mann Colony, Daba,
District Ludhiana-141014

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SHO, Police Station,
Daba, District Ludhiana
First Appellate Authority,
O/o SSP, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No. 3544 of 2021

Present : (I) None is present on behalf of the appellant

(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Ranjiv Kumar, ASI (99152-40899)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 01.12.2021 vide which, the appellant was absent and PIO, o/o SHO, Police Station, Daba, Ludhiana was directed to come present.

2. Today , again the appellant is absent.

3. The respondent has sought some time.

4. The perusal of the file shows that the appellant is absent for second consecutive hearing. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed.

5. To come up on **28.03.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

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Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, S/o Village Sande Hasham
Tehsil and Distt. Ferozepur – 152004 (9780061008)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer, (Registered Post)
O/o Panchayat Secretary
Gram Panchayat, Sher Khan Wala, Block Ghal Khurd
Ferozepur
First Appellate Authority
O/o DDPO, Ferozepur

.....Respondent

AC No. 3379 of 2021

Present : (I) Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, the appellant (through WEBEX)
(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.12.2021 vide which, a show cause notice was issued to the respondent -PIO Sh. Mohinder Singh.

2. Today, the appellant Sh. Sukhwinder Singh states that no information has been given to him so far.

3. The respondent is absent today. He has informed on phone that he is unable to attend today's hearing as he is not well . Therefore, he has sought another date.

4. On the request of the respondent, the appeal case is adjourned to **28.03.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties. *The respondent may take note that this is the last opportunity given to him to appear before the Commission and filed his reply to the show cause notice, failing which action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated.*

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

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Sh Amardeep Singh, S/o Harchand Singh,
Village Kuhil Khurd, PO Lehal, Tehsil Payal,
Distt Ludhiana-141117 (M-8437151402)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Block Malaud, Ludhiana

(REGISTERED POST)

First Appellate Authority ,
O/o BDPO, Malaud, Distt Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No. 3299 of 2021

Present : (I) Sh. Amardeep Singh the appellant *in the Commission*
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Sukhpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary
(8146263412)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.12.2021 vide which PIO- BDPO, Block Malaud, Ludhiana was absent, hence he was issued a show cause notice.

2. Today Sh. Amardeep Singh the appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.

3. The respondent states that he has brought information today in the Commission to deliver it to the appellant.

4. The appellant has gone through the same and states that wrong information has been given to him. It is observed that Sh. Sukhpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary is appearing on behalf of the respondent is not aware about the facts of the case. Moreover, he has also given wrong information to the appellant. This is indeed a serious matter.



AC No. 3299 of 2021

The perusal of the file shows that during the hearing dated 06.12.2021, the PIO-BDPO, Block Malaud, Distt. Ludhaina was directed to submit an affidavit showing cause why action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act be not taken against him. He was also given the opportunity of personal hearing . He has, however, failed to attend the hearing in the Commission. From the material on record, it transpires that there has been unnecessary delay in conveying the correct State of affairs to the appellant in regard to his request for information. No explanation for delay has been given by him. Rather, his failure to even respond to the show cause direction by the Commission reinforces the fact that he has been without any reasonable cause guilty of remissness in the discharge of his duties. He is, therefore, deserves to be penalized.

5. In view of the defying attitude of Sh. Gurpreet Singh, BDPO, Block Malaud, Distt. Ludhiana neither attending the court nor submitting any explanation for the show cause notice issued to him within the time schedule as prescribed under the RTI Act 2005, the court comes to a logical conclusion that it is a fit case for the imposition of penalty amounting to Rs. 25000/- (Rupees Twenty five thousand only) upon **Sh. Gurpreet Singh, BDPO** the delinquent PIO. However, taking a lenient view, I impose a penalty of **Rs. 10,000/- (Rs. Ten thousand only)** on **Sh. Gurpreet Singh, BDPO** . The Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the office of DDPO, Ludhiana is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 10000/- from the salary of **Sh. Gurpreet Singh, BDPO** and deposited in the State Treasury in the following Head of Account and to report its compliance to the Commission:-

"0070-Other Administrative Services

60 other Services

800-Other Receipts

86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005"

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AC No. 3299 of 2021

6. To come up on **09.05.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission.
Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 09.02.2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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CC: Sh. Gurpreet Singh, BDPO, Block Malaud, Distt. Ludhiana
DDPO, Ludhiana