

D. R. Singla,
H. No. 4961, Sector 38 (West),
Chandigarh
(M.-7087079234)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate,
Kharar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
S. A. S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2511 of 2022

Present : Sh. D. R. Singla, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 29.10.2021. First appeal is dated Nil. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.05.2022.

3. On the last date of hearing, held on 12.08.2022 ;

- i) The appellant, Sh. D. R. Singla, stated that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.
- ii) Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative was present.
- iii) In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Kharar under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
- iv) Last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information or a point-wise proper reply to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request, through registered post with a copy to the Commission.

4. The appellant, Sh. D. R. Singla , who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

5. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, a show-cause notice has already been issued to the concerned PIO vide orders dated 12.08.2022 and he (the respondent PIO) has neither make himself present before the bench of the under-signed nor sent any document showing that the information has been supplied to the appellant.

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6. The PIO office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Kharar is further directed to supply the complete information to the appellant and also to appear before the Commission alongwith necessary relevant documents pertaining to the RTI queries, before the next date of hearing.

7. After going through the case-file, it emerges that a grave negligence has been made on the part of PIO/Respondent by not complying various orders, passed by the Commission. So, a Bailable warrant be issued to PIO office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Kharar through Senior Superintendent of Police, Kharar for the appearance of the concerned PIO on the next date of hearing

8. A copy of this order be sent to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Kharar through registered post for the appearance of the concerned PIO on the next date of hearing.

9. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Regd. Post) The Senior Superintendent of Police,
Kharar

Encl:

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Sukhwinder Singh
S/o Sh. Shande Hasham,
Teh. & Distt.- Ferozepur-152004 (Punjab)
(97800-61008)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Panchayat Secretary,
Gram Panchayat – Sher Khan Wala,
Block Ghall- Khurd,
Distt. - Ferozepur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The District Development
and Panchayat Officer,
Ferozepur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3379 of 2021

Present : Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Parampal Singh, PIO (99146-410630) ;
ii) Sh. Gurnam Singh, Panch (99883-50010);, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 30.03.2021. First appeal is dated 17.05.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 27.07.2021.

3. On the last date of hearing, held on 12.08.2022 ;

- i) The appellant stated that no information was given to him .
- ii) Sh. Mohinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary ; Sh. Gurnam Singh, Panch and Sh. Dilbagh Singh, Block Samiti Member, came present and sought an adjournment in this case to supply the required information and also to pay compensation of Rs. 5000/-, which was awarded vide orders dated 15.07.2022 .
- iii) Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to either supply the certified copies of the required information or send a reply in the shape of an affidavit to the queries raised through RTI request to the appellant.

4. The appellant, Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO.

5. Sh. Parampal Singh, PIO, who appeared with Sh. Gurnam Singh, Panch, in today's hearing, states that he has brought the requisite information in the Commission and also cheque of Rs. 5000/- as compensation amount vide Cheque No. 001015 dated 08.09.2022 so that the same could be handed over to the appellant during the hearing. He also hands over the required information along with cheque of Rs. 5000/- to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission today. A copy of cheque is taken on record.

6. After going through the information, the appellant intimates that incomplete information has been given to him, moreover, whatever information is given to him is uncertified.

7. Nevertheless, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to on 14.09.2022 at 10:00 A.M. to collect the remaining information.

8. The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office and supply the certified copies of the remaining to the appellant and also to certify the information (already supplied) with a copy to the Commission.

9. The date and time of visit of the appellant in the office of the respondent has been announced to the parties during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case.

10. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

**(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**



Nitin Kumar Tayal,
H. No. 179-B,
Model Town Extension,
Ludhiana - 141002(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government of Punjab,
Deptt. of Home Affairs & Justice,
Pb. Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government of Punjab,
Deptt. of Home Affairs & Justice,
Pb. Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 950 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Purshotam Kumar, A. S. I.(94171-31510) O/o D. G. P., Punjab, Chandigarh
on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 06.10.2021. First appeal is dated 06.12.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 17.02.2022.
3. On an earlier date of hearing, held on 08.07.2022 ;
 - i) Neither the appellant, Sh. Nitin Tayal, nor the respondent was present .
 - ii) The respondent PIO had neither sent any forwarding letter , showing that the information is supplied to the appellant) nor the appellant has sent any intimation whether he received the information or not.
 - iii) Last opportunity was given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed.
4. The appellant, Sh. Nitin Kumar Tayal, is not present in today's hearing but through telephonic communication, has intimated the Commission that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.
5. Sh. Purshotam Kumar, A. S. I. office of D. G. P., Punjab, Chandigarh, who appeared in today's hearing, orally states that the information demanded through RTI request is not specific. He also requests that if the appellant would be more specific for what he demands, information would be provided to him positively.
6. Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the appellant to be more specific for what he demands so that the respondent PIO could provide the requisite information to him.

7. Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the remaining information which would be specified by the appellant, to him by registered post by the next date of hearing with a copy to the Commission.

8. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

**(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**



Ashok Kumar,
H. No. 214, Pine Homes,
Dhakoli,
Zirakpur (Punjab)
(88377-87496)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3257 of 2022

Present : Sh. Ashok Kumar, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 19.02.2022. First appeal is dated 11.04.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.07.2022.

3. The appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

4. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

5. Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned either to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant or send a reply to the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request through registered post with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing or the case would be decided on merits.

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab



Ashok Kumar,
H. No. 214, Pine Homes,
Dhakoli,
Zirakpur (Punjab)
(88377-87496)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
S. A. S. Nagar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3258 of 2022

Present : Sh. Ashok Kumar, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 17.02.2022. First appeal is dated 30.04.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.07.2022.

3. The appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

4. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

5. Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned either to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant or send a reply to the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request through registered post with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing or the case would be decided on merits.

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab



Raj Singh S/o Sh. Isher Singh,
Village – Todarwal, P. O. - Baberpur,
Tehsil- Nabha, Distt. – Patiala (Punjab)
(98142-41257)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director General of Police, Pb.,
Police Head Quarter,
Sector - 9, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director General of Police, Pb.,
Police Head Quarter,
Sector - 9, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3105 of 2022

Present : Sh. Raj Singh , the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Purshotam Kumar, A. S. I.(94171-31510) O/o D. G. P., Punjab;
ii) Sh. Amandeep Singh, Senior Assistant (M.-97791-28209) O/o S. S. P.,
Patiala, on behalf of the respondent, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 04.04.2022. First appeal is dated 10.05.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 01.07.2022.

3. Sh. Purshotam Kumar, A. S. I. office of D. G. P., Punjab, Chandigarh and Sh. Amandeep Singh, Senior Assistant office of S. S. P., Patiala, who appeared in today's hearing, submits a point-wise reply vide letter no. 2093 dated 08.09.2022 and also hands over the required information of nineteen pages demanded at point no. 01, 02 and 03 of the RTI request to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission today and for remaining information at points at point no. 04, 05, 06, 07 and 08, a Civil Writ Petition No. 12346 of 2022 is pending in the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court through which the impugned order dated 06.01.2022 shown as stayed and next date of hearing is fixed for 06.12.2022 and also submit an order dated 03.08.2022, passed by Hon'ble Justice Jaishree Thakur. All the above-said documents are taken on record.

4. The appellant, Sh. Raj Singh , who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that un-satisfactory reply has been given to him and submits a written-submission dated 09.09.2022 during the hearing and requested that certified copy of the compliant dated 07.03.2022 and action-taken report of Punjab National Commission for Scheduled Castes, New Delhi for the period from 06.01.2022 to 30.05.2022 be provided to him

5. Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies, shown through his written-submission dated 09.09.2022, and send the same to the appellant him by registered post.

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Raj Singh S/o Sh. Isher Singh,
Village – Todarwal, P. O. - Baberpur,
Tehsil- Nabha, Distt. – Patiala (Punjab)
(98142-41257)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Registrar, Inquiry Commission (Home), Punjab,
5th Floor, Forest Complex,
Sector 68, S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Secretary to Government of Punjab,
Deptt. of Home Affairs & Justice,
Pb. Civil Secretariat, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2361 of 2022

Present : Sh. Raj Singh , the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Purshotam Kumar, A. S. I.(94171-31510) O/o D. G. P., Punjab,
Chandigarh ;
ii) Sh. Gagandeep Singh(M.-98729-02695), Senior Assistant-cum-APIO
(Home – 4 Branch) ;
iii) Sh. Ankush (M.-88728-08889), Senior Assistant (Home – 4 Branch) ;
iv) Sh. Amandeep Singh, Senior Assistant (M.-97791-28209) O/o S. S. P.,
Patiala, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 15.02.2022. First appeal is dated 22.03.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 10.05.2022.

3. The appellant, Sh. Raj Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

4. Sh. Purshotam Kumar, A. S. I. office of D. G. P., Punjab, Chandigarh ;Sh. Gagandeep Singh, Senior Assistant-cum-APIO (Home – 4 Branch) ;Sh. Ankush , Senior Assistant (Home – 4 Branch) and Sh. Amandeep Singh, Senior Assistant office of S. S. P., Patiala, appeared on behalf of the respondent, intimate that the above-said office of Registrar, Inquiry Commission (Home), Punjab, is presently not in existence and all the related work of office of Inquiry Commission is done by Home – 4 branch and seek an adjournment in this case so that efforts could be made to trace the relevant official-record and information, if found available in the office, could be supplied to the appellant.

5. Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned either to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant or send a reply to the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request in the shape of an affidavit through registered post with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing

6. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,
Ward No.18, Street No.2,
Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road,
Khanna - 141401,
District Ludhiana(Punjab)
(M. – 94645-00405)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Mandi Gobindgarh (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development),
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3476 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Gurvinder Pal Singh, Junior Engineer (Municipal);
ii) Sh. Kewal Singh, Junior Engineer(Electricity), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 09.04.2021. First appeal is dated 01.06.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 03.08.2021.

3. Sh. Gurvinder Pal Singh, Junior Engineer (Municipal) and Sh. Kewal Singh, Junior Engineer(Electricity), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, state that they have brought the requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant during the hearing.

4. The appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, is not present in today's hearing but through an e-mail dated 09.09.2022, has requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

5. Accordingly, the information brought by the representatives of the respondent is taken on record.

6. After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through letter no. 548 dated 18.07.2022 has sent a reply dated 18.07.2022 in an affidavit signed by Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Mandi Gobindgarh, to the show-cause issued vide orders dated 02.03.2022. It is taken on record.

7. After examining the contents of the reply (given in an affidavit) dated 18.07.2022, it emerges that there is no malafide on the part of the respondent PIO in causing the delay in supplying the requisite information to the information seeker and finding the explanation given by him (PIO) genuine, the show-cause issued to the concerned respondent PIO vide orders dated 02.03.2022, is **dropped**.

8. An opportunity is given to the appellant to collect the requisite information from the office of the Commission and point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned and also send a copy of the same to the Commission. He is also advised to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

9. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing**.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

**(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Ms. Neena Gupta
W/o Sh Sushil Kumar,
#1410, Phase 1, Urban Estate,
Dugri, Ludhiana-141013 (Punjab)
(M. 98550-14101)

....Appellant

Versus

- i) **Public Information Officer,**
O/o The Director General of Police, Punjab
Police Head Quarter,
Sector 9, Chandigarh
- ii) **Public Information Officer,**
O/o The Inspector General of Police, Pb.,
(Admin. Wing),
Bureau of investigation,
Police Head Quarter,
Sector - 9, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director General of Police, Punjab
Police Head Quarter,
Sector 9, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1498 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Ramesh Kumar, A. S. I.(78378-03000) O/o Commissioner of Police,
Ludhiana;
ii) Sh. Bhura Ali, Head Constable (M.-99155-46786), on behalf of the
respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 02.01.2022. First appeal is dated 03.02.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 25.03.2022.

3. On the last date of hearing, held on 22.07.2022 ;

- i) Sh. Ramesh Kumar, A. S. I. and Sh. Ravi Kumar, Constable, came present and stated that the information demanded through RTI relates with office of Inspector General of Police/Admin. (Admin. Wing), Bureau of investigation Chandigarh and hence forwarded the same to that office vide letter no. 915 dated 10.03.2022.
- ii) Hence, Public Information Officer office of office of Inspector General of Police/Admin. (Admin. Wing), Bureau of investigation Chandigarh, was impleaded as necessary party in this case with the directions to file a reply, in writing, to the query/queries (whichever relates to his office) raised by the appellant through her RTI request (copy attached).
- iii) The PIO office of Director General of Police, Punjab was directed to remain present or represent this case through his representative during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the date fixed.

4. The appellant, Ms. Neena Gupta is not present in today's hearing
5. Sh. Ramesh Kumar, A. S. I. office of Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana and Sh. Bhura Ali, Head Constable (M.-99155-46786), who appeared on behalf of the respondent, in today's hearing, seek an adjournment in this case.
6. Nevertheless, last and final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send a point-wise reply to the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request through registered post with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing
7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

**(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Nitin Kumar Tayal,
H. No. 179-B, Model Town Extension,
Ludhiana - 141002(Punjab)
(M.-78376-00470)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director General of Police, Punjab
Police Head Quarter,
Sector 9, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director General of Police, Punjab
Police Head Quarter,
Sector 9, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2365 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Purshotam Kumar, A. S. I.(94171-31510) O/o D. G. P., Punjab,
Chandigarh ;
ii) Sh. Naresh Kumar, A. S. I.(M.-83605-84551) O/o S.S.P., Roopnagar, on
behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 28.12.2021. First appeal is dated 09.05.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.05.2022.

3. Sh. Purshotam Kumar, A. S. I.office of D. G. P., Punjab, Chandigarh and

4. Sh. Naresh Kumar, A. S. I. office of S.S.P., Roopnagar, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, state that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant time and again.

5. The appellant, Sh. Nitin Kumar Tayal, is not present in today's hearing but through a telephonic communication, he intimates that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO.

6. As the appellant has not intimated the discrepancies in the information already supplied to him, hence, an opportunity is given to him (appellant) to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned and also send a copy of the same to the Commission. He is also advised to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

7. Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies, which would be pointed out by the appellant, to him by registered post before the next date of hearing with a copy to the Commission.

8. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Raghav Bali S/o Sh. Bharat Bhushan,
House No. 36, Sector 4, Block A,
SriFatehgarh Sahib – 147301(Punjab)
(8054541526)

....Appellant

Versus

(Regd. Post) i) **Public Information Officer,**
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
SriFatehgarh Sahib (Punjab)

(Regd. Post) ii) **Public Information Officer,**
O/o The Superintendent,
Maximum Security Jails,
Mehs Gate, Thuhi Road,
Nabha (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,
SriFatehgarh Sahib (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2163 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 16.02.2022. First appeal is dated 18.03.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 04.05.2022.

3. On the last date of hearing, held on 22.07.2022 ;

- i) The appellant, Sh. Raghav Bali through an e-mail dated 18.07.2022, had requested for an adjournment in this case.
- ii) The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 316 dated 27.06.2022 has intimated that RTI request of the appellant was transferred vide letter no. 300 dated 22.06.2022 to Public Information Officer office of Superintendent, Maximum Security Jails, Nabha under Section 6 (3) of The RTI Act with an intimation to the appellant.
- iii) Accordingly, Public Information Officer office of Superintendent, Maximum Security Jails, Nabha was impleaded as party in this case with the directions to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request with a copy to the Commission.

4. The appellant, Sh. Raghav Bali, is not present in today's hearing but through an e-mail dated 07.09.2022, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

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5. Neither the respondent PIO office of Superintendent, Maximum Security Jails, Nabha nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, he (the respondent PIO) has not sent any document showing that the information has been supplied to the appellant even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 22.07.2022 .

6. **In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Superintendent, Maximum Security Jails, Nabha as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

7. 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 in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Chandigarh, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

8. Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing

9. Another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed.

10. With this, the case is **adjourned to 19th October, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 9th September, 2022

**(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Sh Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, (M-9464500405)
Ward No 18, Street No-2,
Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road, Khanna-141401Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, MC, Mandi Gobindgarh

First Appellate Authority
O/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban local Govt, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No. 2733 of 2021

ORDER

The judgment in this case was reserved vide my order dated 01.07.2022

2. In this appeal i.e. AC: 2733 of 2021, the Appellant- Sh.Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia filed RTI application on 27.03.2021 with the PIO, O/o EO,MC, Mandi Gobindgarh *seeking various information.*

3. During the hearing of the case held on 01.07.2022 the respondent PIO produced copy of the stay order dated 16.06.2022 granted by Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court in CWP No. 13567 of 2022. The Respondent-PIO states that the information demanded in this case is similar in nature hence, the information cannot be provided. Further, the Respondent has requested the Bench to pass appropriate orders in view of the aforesaid position.

4. The Appellant states that the information cannot be denied to him as the Respondent has demanded documentation fee of Rs 228/- from him and he has deposited the same. He has also filed his submissions through e-mail which is taken on record.

5. I have carefully considered the submissions of the parties and material available in the case file and ascertained that the order passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana in AC-4797 of 2021 is not a general stay order. Further, a private party has approached the Hon'ble High Court in CWP No. 13567 of 2022 titled as M/s Goyal Construction Vs State of Punjab, and as such the stay order is stay order in "personam" limited to the parties and not an order in "rem" i.e applicable to the world.

In view of the aforesaid, the contention of the Respondent is overruled and the Respondent-PIO is directed to provide complete information to the Appellant on the next date of hearing.

6. To come up on **12.10.2022 at 12:00** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Dated: 09.09.2022

**(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

Sh Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, (M-9464500405)
Ward No 18, Street No-2,
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.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Engineer, MC,
Mandi Gobindgarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC (Urban Dev) Fatehgarh Sahib

.....Respondent

AC No. 117 of 2022

ORDER

The judgment in this case was reserved vide my order dated 20.07.2022

2. In this appeal i.e. AC: 117 of 2022, the Appellant- Sh.Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia filed RTI application on 16.09.2021 with the PIO, O/o EO,MC, Mandi Gobindgarh *seeking information.*

3. I have carefully considered the submissions of the parties and material available in the case file and ascertained during the hearing held on 20.07.2022, the respondent stated that the information cannot be provided to the appellant, as the same is third party information. I overrule the contention the Respondent and direct him the Respondent-PIO to provide complete information to the Appellant on the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on **12.10.2022 at 12:00** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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