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Sh. Ankush Gill (Advocate),
Chamber # 1, Near Vigilance Office,
Tehsil Complex, District Courts,
Amritsar.

.....Appellant
Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Amritsar-I,
Tehsil Complex, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,
Amritsar-I, Amritsar.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3277 of 2019
(Through Video Conference Facility)

Present:- None on behalf of the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 23.01.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 26.03.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 04.09.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today by the Commission.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. None is present on behalf of the respondents without intimation. Video Conference Facility was introduced for convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the absence of the respondents seriously, it is, therefore, a fit case to issue a notice under Section 20 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 to Shri Manjit Singh,

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Tehsildar, Amritsar-1-cum-Public Information Officer to show cause why penalty should not be imposed on him for not supplying the information within the stipulated period. The written explanation of Shri Manjit Singh may be filed before the next date of hearing when he may also avail the opportunity of personal hearing. One more last opportunity is afforded to the appellant to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing and pursue his case failing which exparte decision will be taken.

4. To come up on **23.10.2019** at **3.30 P.M.** through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Dated : 09.10.2019

Sd/-
(**Suresh Arora**)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab

CC

1. Shri Manjit Singh,
Tehsildar, Amritsar-1,
Tehsil Office, Amritsar.
2. The Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar (by name) for information and to ensure the presence of PIO or his representative during the Video Conference proceedings in future.

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Sh. Balwinder Singh,
S/o Sh. Banta Singh,
Village-Nidhana,
Tehsil-Guruharshahe,
Distt.- Ferozepur.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Guruharshahe, Distt.- Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Distt.- Ferozepur.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3305 of 2019

(Through Video Conference Facilitu

Present:- Mr. Balwinder Singh, appellant.

Mr. Waryam Singh, Panchayat Officer on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 22.06.2017 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 13.05.2019 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.0.2019 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today by the Commission.

2. The representative of the respondents states that they have sent the information, complete in all respects, to the appellant by post. On this, the appellant states that he has not received the same till date. The representative of the respondents states that he has one more photocopy of complete information with him.

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The representative of the respondents is directed to hand over the same to the appellant with the advice to the appellant to go through the same and revert back to the Commission regarding his satisfaction. After perusal of the information, the appellant appeared again before the Commission and reports that he is satisfied with the information supplied to him. According to the statement of the appellant, the present case is **disposed of** and **closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Sh. Ajaib Singh,
S/o Sh. Bhinder Singh,
Vill: Bishanpura, P.O: Gajewas,
Tehsil: Samrala,
Distt: Patiala.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
Sub Divisional Magistrate, Samana,
District: Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
Deputy Commissioner,
District: Patiala.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2914 of 2019

Present:- Shri Ajaib Singh appellant in person.

Shri Sandeep Singh, Tehsildar, Samana-cum-APIO alongwith
Shri Sawara Singh, Panchayat Secretary o/o Block Development and
Panchayats Officer, Samana on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 09.09.2019 vide which the respondent-PIO was directed to provide inquiry report before the next date of hearing.

2. The representative of the respondents states that information regarding point at Sr. No.1 may be available with the Consolidation Officer. He is directed to transfer point No.1 to the concerned officer for supplying the information before the next date of hearing. He is further directed to help the appellant in getting the information as the information has already been delayed. He assures that he will help the appellant in getting the information from the concerned officer.

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3. Regarding supply of information concerning Sr. No.2, the appellant has given Khasra No.268 during the hearing about which he is seeking the information. The respondent-PIO is directed to supply the information before the next date of hearing.

4. Information about point at Sr. No.3, the respondent-PIO states that inquiry report has already been given to the information-seeker to his satisfaction.

5. The respondent-PIO assures that he will supply the information regarding points at Sr. No.1 and 2 before the next date of hearing.

6. To come up on 23.10.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Patiala.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Smt. Rupinder Kaur.
W/o Sh. Amrinder Singh,
223, Street No. 3, Abchal Nagar,
Tehsil &, Distt: Patiala.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
Child Development Project Officer,
Distt: Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
District Program Officer,
Distt: Patiala.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2902 of 2019

Present:- Ms. Rupinder Kaur, Appellant, in person.
None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.09.2019 vide which the respondents were directed to remove deficiencies and provide a copy of Anganwari Rules/guidelines within week's time.

2. The appellant brings to the notice of the Commission that information was provided to her vide respondent's letter dated 3.10.2019 but she is not satisfied with that and requests that testimonials and residence proof of selected candidates be provided to her. It is in larger public interest. Once a person joins the government office, the documents submitted by him/her comes into public domain.

3. The respondents are absent without intimation.

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4. The respondents are directed to supply residence proof alongwith testimonials of Ms. Charanjeet Kaur and Ms. Jasbir Kaur, on the basis of which, they have been appointed before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 23.10.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Patiala..

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Sh. Tejinder Singh (Advocate),
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Back Side Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur-144410.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
Food Safety Officer,
District: Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
Civil Surgeon,
District: Amritsar.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2857 of 2019
(Through Video Conference Facility)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, Food Safety Officer on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.09.2019 vide which the respondents were directed to supply the information concerning point No.1 as it is not covered under exemption clause 8 of the RTI Act, 2005. As such the respondents were directed to examine, take appropriate action under the law and convey the action taken to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation..

3. The respondent-PIO states that information cannot be supplied as the information relates to third party and the supply of information will divert the resources being voluminous.

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4. The respondent-PIO is directed to send her reply in writing to the information-seeker with a copy to the Commission as early as possible. On receipt of the same, the appellant is advised to go through it and revert back to the authorities, in case he wants to get any clarification before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 23.10.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Sh. Tejinder Singh (Advocate),
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Back Side Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur-144410.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
Food Safety Officer,
District: Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
Civil Surgeon,
District: Faridkot.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2858 of 2019

Present:- Shri Tejinder Singh, appellant, in person.

Shri Mukal Gill, Food Safety Officer, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.09.2019 vide which the respondents were directed to supply the information concerning point No.1 as it is not covered under exemption clause 8 of the RTI Act, 2005. As such the respondents were directed to examine, take appropriate action under the law and convey the action taken to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation..

3. The respondent-PIO states that till today no information has been provided to the appellant.

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4. The respondent-PIO is directed to send reply concerning point at Sr. No.1 of RTI application of the appellant (regarding cross checking from 2014 to 2019) to the information-seeker with a copy to the Commission. On receipt of the reply from the respondents, the appellant is advised to go through the same and revert back to authorities, in case he wants to get any clarification from the respondents, with a copy to the Commission.

4. To come up on 23.10.2019 at 3.30 P.M. through Vide Conference Facility available in o/o Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Sh. Tejinder Singh (Advocate),
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Back Side Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur-144410.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
Food and Safety Officer,
District: Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
Civil Surgeon,6
District: Fazilka.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2867 of 2019

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Ms. Karan, Clerk, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.09.2019 vide which the respondents were directed supply information regarding point at Sr. No.1 as it is not covered under exemption clause as such the respondents were directed this issue and take appropriate action under the law and convey it to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation..

3. The representative of the respondents states that information concerning point No. 1 has been sent to the appellant with a copy to the Commission vide their

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letter dated 4.10.2019 stating that no cross checking has been done from the year 2014 to 2019. With the supply of this information, no information is left, which can be supplied to the appellant according to his RTI application for seeking information under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. He further requests that the case may be closed.

4. After hearing the representative of the respondents and going through the letter sent by them to the Commission, it is observed that complete information has been provided to the appellant. Hence, the present case is disposed of and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Ms Shruti (Advocate)
82, Labour Colony,
Backside Scooter Market,
Gill Road Ludhiana

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondents.

Appeal Case No. 1883 of 2019

Present: None on behalf of the Appellant.

Shri Resham Singh, Superintendent on behalf of the Respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.09.2019 vide which last opportunity was afforded to the appellant to provide a complete copy of complaint to the respondents as early as possible and the respondents were directed to supply information regarding action taken under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

2. The appellant is absent.

3. The representative of the respondents submits a copy of letter dated 3.10.2019 vide which the sought for information has been provided to the appellant and taken her receipt on that stating that she has received complete information and requested for the closure of the case.

4. In view of the receipt given by the appellant, the instant case is disposed of and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Sh. Tejinder Singh (Advocate),
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Back Side Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur-144410.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
Municipal Council,
District: Malerkotla.

First Appellate Authority,
Deputy Director, Local Government,
District: Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2868 of 2019

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Shri Karam Chand, Junior Assistant, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 09.10.2019 vide which the appellant was advised to deposit Rs.23000/- for getting the information and the respondents were directed to supply the information on the receipt of the necessary fee.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.
3. Shri Karam Chand, Junior Assistant, appearing on behalf of the respondents states that in response to the previous order passed by the Commission, no fee has been deposited by the appellant till date. He further requests that the case may be disposed of.
4. After hearing the representative of the respondents and going through the

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record available on the case file, it is ascertained that no fee has been deposited in compliance to the previous order. The respondents are willing to provide the information. From it seems that the appellant is not interested in getting the information. As such the present case is **disposed of** and **closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Sh. Tejinder Singh (Advocate),
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Back Side Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur-144410.

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
Food and Safety Officer,
Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority,
Civil Surgeon, Gurdaspur.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2855 of 2019

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Mr. Munish Sodhi, Food Saftery Officer-cum-PIO on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.09.2019 vide which the respondents were directed supply information regarding point at Sr. No.1 as it is not covered under exemption clause as such the respondents were directed this issue and take appropriate action under the law and convey it to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation..

3. The representative of the respondents states that information concerning point No. 1 has been sent to the appellant with a copy to the Commission stating that no cross checking has been done during the period between 2014-2019. He further states

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that complete information has been supplied to the appellant as per his application for seeking information under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005.

4. After hearing the representative of the respondents and going through record available in the case file, it is observed that complete information has been provided to the appellant. Hence, the present case is **disposed of** and **closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Shri Kulwinder Singh
s/o Shri Bhag Singh
r/o Village Patti Sadik,
Tehsil Abohar, Distt. Fazilika.

.....Appellant.

Vs.

Public Information Officer
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Abohar district Fazilika.

FAA-District Development and Panchayats Officer,
Fazilika.

.....Respondents.

Appeal Case No.2918 of 2019 (Through Video Conference Facility)

Present:- Shri Kulwinder Singh, appellant, in person.

Shri Antarpreet Singh, PIO, on behalf of the respondents.

Order

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.09.2019 vide which the appellant was asked to deposit a sum of Rs.2560/- with the respondents and the respondents were directed to supply the requisite information as sought by the appellant before the next date of hearing.

2. The appellant states that he has deposited the requisite fee but no information has been supplied to him till date.

3. The PIO states that they have sent the requisite information by registered post to the given address of the appellant.

4. As per the version of the respondent-PIO, it is observed that the requisite information has been sent to the appellant by registered post. On receipt of the same, the appellant is advised to go through the same and revert back to the authorities, in case of deficiencies as early as possible. The respondents are directed to remove the deficiencies, if reported by the appellant, before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 5.11.2019 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.

Dated : 09.10.2019

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Shri Kulwinder Singh
s/o Shri Bhag Singh
r/o Village Patti Sadik,
Tehsil Abohar, Distt. Fazilika.

.....Appellant.

Vs.

Public Information Officer
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Abohar district Fazilika.

FAA-District Development and Panchayats Officer,
Fazilika.

.....Respondents.

Appeal Case No.2917 of 2019 (Through Video Conference Facility)

Present:- Shri Kulwinder Singh, appellant, in person.
Shri Antarpreet Singh, PIO, on behalf of the respondents.

Order

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated vide 16.09.2019 vide which the respondents were directed to provide fresh photocopies of misprinted pages to the appellant, which illegible.

2. The appellant states that after the previous date of hearing, no photocopies of misprinted pages have been supplied to him, as .

3. Shri Satpal, Panchayat Secretary, is absent but on his place Shri Antarpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary, is present. He states that Shri Satpal is on leave. He assures that photocopies of misprinted pages shall be supplied to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

4. After hearing both the parties, it is observed that Shri Sat Pal, Panchayat Secretary has not fulfilled his assurance given on the previous date of hearing. Viewing

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the callous attitude of Shri Sat Pal, Panchayat Secretary, c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Abohar, District Fazilika seriously, it is, therefore, a fit case to issue notice under Section 20 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 to him to show cause why penalty should not be imposed on him for not fulfilling his assurance and supplying the information within the stipulated period. The written explanation may be filed before the next date of hearing when he may also avail the opportunity of personal hearing. He is further directed to appear before the Commission on 5.11.2019 with original record at Chandigarh. The appellant is advised to appear on the next date of hearing through Video Conference Facility at Fazilika.

5. To come up on 5.11.2019 at 11.00 A.M. at Chandigarh.

Dated : 09.10.2019

Sd/-
(**Suresh Arora**)
Chief Information Commissioner
Punjab

cc

Shri Sat pal,
Panchayat Secretary,
c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Abohar, District Fazilika.

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Shri Sucha Singh
s/o Shri Sadhu Singh
r/o Village Bal Labe Dariya,
PO Jagdev Khurd, Tehsil Ajnala,
Distt.Amritsar.

.....Appellant.

Vs.

Public Information Officer
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Ajnala, District Amritsar.

FAA-District Development and Panchayats Officer,
Amritsar.

.....Respondents.

Appeal Case No.2928 of 2019 (Through Video Conference Facility)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Shri Samandeep Singh, Clerk, on behalf of the respondents.

Order

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.09.2019 vide which the the respondents were directed to supply information concerning point No.3 to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation.

3. The representative of the respondents states that they have sent the requisite information concerning point No.3 by registered post to the given address of the appellant. It might be reason of his absence.

4. As per the version of the respondent-PIO, it is observed that the information concerning point No.3 might have been received by the appellant and due to this reasons he is not present during the hearing. Last opportunity is given to the

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appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not before the next date of hearing failing which ex parte decision will be taken.

5. To come up on 23.10.2019 at 3.30 P.M. to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Dated : 09.10.2019

Sd/-
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