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Sh Rajwinder Singh, S/o Sh Kulwant Singh,  
Rivariya Mohalla, Ward No-8,  
VPO Dhanola, Distt Barnala.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Director,  
Education, SGPC, Bahadurgarh,  
Distt Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director, Education,  
SGPC, Bahadurgarh,  
Distt Patiala.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1045 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Rajwinder Singh as the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through the RTI application dated Nil has sought information on 8 points regarding a copy of the approval of the selection committee of SGPC for the placement of Sh.Sohajbir Singh as placement officer in Guru Teg Bahadur Khalsa College Sri Anandpur Sahib on 10.05.2017 along with a copy of the diary register – number of students sent for study to foreign countries along with a copy of the relevant rules – furniture purchased in Khalsa College, Patiala from the year 2008 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Director Education, SGPC Bahadurgarh, Distt.Patiala. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 05.10.2020 after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 22.12.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case last came up for hearing on 13.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Barnala. Both the parties were absent.

The case was adjourned.

**Hearing dated 09.11.2021:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Barnala/Patiala. As per the appellant, the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent is absent nor is represented. There has been an enormous delay in attending to the RTI application. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard.** If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The PIO is again directed to provide information to the appellant within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

To come up for further hearing on **16.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Barnala. The PIO to appear through VC at DAC Patiala.

**Chandigarh**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**

Dated : 09.11.2021

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**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director, Education,  
SGPC, Bahadurgarh,  
Distt Patiala.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 943 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Rajwinder Singh as the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 13.11.2019 has sought information on 8 points regarding a copy of the approval of the selection committee of SGPC for the placement of Sh.Sohajbir Singh as placement officer in Guru Teg Bahadur Khalsa College Sri Anandpur Sahib on 10.05.2017 along with the copy of diary register – number of students sent for study to foreign countries along with a copy of relevant rules – furniture purchased in Khalsa College, Patiala from the year 2008 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Director Education, SGPC Bahadurgarh, Distt.Patiala. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 05.10.2020 after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 18.11.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case last came up for hearing on 13.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Barnala. Both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

**Hearing dated 09.11.2021:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Barnala/Patiala. As per the appellant, the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent is absent nor is represented. There has been an enormous delay of two years in attending to the RTI application. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard.** If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The PIO is again directed to provide information to the appellant within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

To come up for further hearing on **16.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Barnala. The PIO to appear through VC at DAC Patiala.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated : 09.11.2021**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**



Smt Inderveer Kaur, W/o Lt Sh Iqbal Preet Singh,  
R/o B-1206, Street No-3, New Partap Nagar,  
Gurlal Bajar, Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Civil Surgeon,  
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 1043 of 2021**

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 21.08.2020 has sought information regarding action taken on the medical bill of Rs.189931/- sent for verification by Xen PWD – latest status of the bill – if approved by Director Health, to provide a copy of the approval and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 20.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case last came up for hearing on 13.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar/Ludhiana. As per the representative of the appellant, they had received no reply from the PIO. The respondent present pleaded that the bill has been sent to the Department of Health, Pb Chandigarh.

The PIO was directed to procure the information from the Department of Health, Chandigarh and sent it to the appellant within 15 days.

**Hearing dated 09.11.2021:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar/Ludhiana. Both the parties are absent.

Earlier order stands.

The case is adjourned. To come up for compliance on **16.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar. The PIO to appear through VC at DAC Ludhiana.

**Chandigarh**  
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Sh. Surinder Kumar, S/o Lt Sh Kashmiri Lal,  
R/o H No-4004, Mohalla Patel Nagar,  
Jandiala Guru, Distt Amritsar.

... Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o SSP,  
Amritsar.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 182 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Surinder Kumar as the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The complainant through RTI application dated 05.10.2020 has sought information regarding action taken on the complainant dated 04.04.2020 filed online against Jasdev Singh, Gurbhagat Singh, inspectors food supply department Jandiala Guru and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of DGP Pb Chandigarh which transferred the same to SSP Amritsar u/s 6(3) of the RTI Act. The complainant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a complaint in the Commission on 05.02.2021.

The case last came up for hearing on 13.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per the complaint, the PIO had not provided the information.

Since it is a complaint case and the complainant had come to the Commission without going to the First Appellate Authority, the case was remanded back to the First Appellate Authority with the direction to consider this as an appeal case and dispose of the same within a period of 30 days as per the RTI Act.

The Commission, however, observed that the RTI application was filed on 05.12.2020 but the PIO had chosen not to reply to the RTI application. As per section 7 (2) of the RTI Act, if the PIO fails to give information within thirty days, the PIO shall be deemed to have refused the information. The PIO-SSP Amritsar was directed to explain the reasons for not attending to the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act and be present on the next date of hearing.

**Hearing dated 09.11.2021:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant informed that despite the directions of the First Appellate Authority, the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent is absent nor is represented as well as not sent the explanation for not attending to the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act.

The PIO is afforded one more opportunity to explain the reasons for not attending the RTI application on time, as prescribed under section 7 of the RTI Act.

To come up for compliance on **16.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated : 09.11.2021**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**CC to First Appellate Authority-cum-**  
**Inspector-General of Police(Border Range)**  
**Amritsar.**



Sh. Jasbir Singh, S/o Sh. Harbans Singh,  
R/o Village Jalal Khara, P.O Sular,  
Distt Patiala.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o DFSO,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o DFSO,  
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 179 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Jasbir Singh for the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 30.09.2020 has sought information regarding depot holder block No.133 Ashok Nagar Ludhiana – details of wheat, pulses and other items received relating to BPL/APL/Blue cards – a copy of licenses of depot holders of Ashok Nagar copy of entry register of APL/BPL card holders – list of APL/BPL cardholders and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of DFSO Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 05.11.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 13.05.2021 through video conferencing at DAC, Ludhiana. Since the VC had been temporarily closed by District Administration due to a large number of corona cases in Ludhiana, the hearing could not take place. The case was adjourned.

On the date of last hearing on **17.08.2021**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent on 2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive hearing nor had supplied the information. The PIO was directed to provide the information to the appellant within 15 days of the receipt of the order otherwise the commission will be constrained to proceed against the PIO as per the provisions of section 20 of the RTI Act.

**Hearing dated 09.11.2021:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana/Patiala. As per the appellant, the PIO has not supplied the information despite the order of the Commission.

The respondent is absent on 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive hearing nor is represented as well as not provided the information. There has been an enormous delay of more than one year in providing the information. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard.** If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

**Appeal Case No. 179 of 2021**

The PIO is again directed to provide information to the appellant within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **16.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana. The appellant is to appear through VC at DAC Patiala.

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Ms Harwinder Kaur,  
# 686, MIJ(I),  
Phase-9, Mohali.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Director,  
Food and Drugs Administration,  
PB, Kharar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Director,  
Food and Drugs Administration,  
PB, Kharar.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2605 of 2021**

**PRESENT: None for the Appellant**  
**Sh.Rakesh Kumar, MNT-Gr-1 for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 10.05.2021 has sought information regarding the list of analysts recruited from 2009 onwards – seniority list of analysts – a copy of the order for promotion to Smt.Varinder Pal Kaur as SO – complete file and noting of SOs promoted from 2019 onwards – file and noting of promotion of Smt. Varinder Pal Kaur and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Director Food and Drug Administration, Kharar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 27.05.2021 which took no decision on the appeal. The appellant had filed an appeal under Life and Liberty, however, the Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab ordered to consider the case under the General Category.

The case last came up for hearing today 17.08.2021 through video conferencing at DAC, Mohali. As per the respondent, the information was provided to the appellant vide letter dated 07.07.2021.

As per the appellant, the information was incomplete.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the following was concluded:

- Point-1 &2 - As per the respondent, the information stands provided. As per the appellant, the information is incomplete. The PIO is directed to sort out the discrepancies all further information.
- Point-3 - Provided
- Point-4 - PIO to procure the information from the concerned authority and provide it to the Appellant
- Point-5 - Prima Facie this appears to be personal information, to be decided at the next date of hearing.

**Appeal Case No. 2605 of 2021**

**Hearing dated 09.11.2021:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. As per the respondent, the information has already been provided.

The appellant is absent nor is represented.

Having gone through the file, the Commission observes that there is nothing on record that shows that the PIO has redressed the matter. The PIO is directed to file a suitable reply point-wise.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **16.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 09.11.2021**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**