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Trilochan Singh,

S/o Late Sh. Gurbachan Singh, # 848-A.M.I.G Flat, Jamalpur Colony, District Ludhiana-141010

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Patran, District Patiala. First Appellate Authority,

o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Patran,istrict Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1015 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Harish Kumar, Senior Assistant (for the Respondent) 98149-12332

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 17.8.2020 vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> regarding the reassignment of vehicles from January 1 2020 to 17.8.2020, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 3.10.2020 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.2.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on 10.9.2021.
- 2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Harish Kumar, Senior Assistant from the office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Patiala, present via Video Conference Facility at D.C. office, Patiala, states that the requested information was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 314/MTP on 28.4.2021. The respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of said reply along with the information sent to the appellant, to this Commission. The appellant is given one final opportunity to examine the information provided and list any deficiency.
- 3. <u>Next hearing on 7.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Patiala.</u>

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Harnek Singh,

S/o Sh. Jaginder Singh, Village Gureh, Tehsil Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Station House Officer, Police Station, Civil Lines, Patiala. First Appellate Authority, o/o Inspector General of Police, District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1528 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harnek Singh (Appellant) 98145-00253 ASI Gurpyar Singh (for the Respondent) 97799-02464

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **2.12.2020** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding ASI Rajpal, Constable Gagandeep Singh, HC Gurpiar Singh, HC Satish Kumar, Constable Parminder Singh</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.1.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.3.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **10.9.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Hakam Singh and ASI, Gurpyar Singh via Video Conference Facility from Patiala. The respondents have submitted vide Letter No.1530/RTI Dated 28.8.2021, that the information requested by the appellant pertains to an FIR registered against him and that the said FIR has now been submitted to Court for a trial. In light of the above facts, the respondent PIO has sought exemption for disclosure under section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act, 2005.
- 3. The appellant joined this hearing via Webex stated that he is concurs with the information connected to the said FIR but it is vital to prove that he is not guilty in the case against him.

Order Reserved

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Sushil Kumar,

S/o Sh. Lal Chand, # 1410, Phase-I, Urban Estate, Kumari Road, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Nodal Officer-cum-Deputy Secretary (RTI Cell), Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, District Patiala. First Appellate Authority,

o/o Engineer-in-Chief, (Technical Audit and Inspection), Sector B-III, Shakti Vihar, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 276 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Dharamvir Kamal, Senior XEN (for the Respondent) 96461-18877

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 11.12.2020 and 26.2.2021)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **16.4.2019** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding requests / complaints by Sushil Kumar to CMD, PSPCL, Patiala,</u> as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **18.5.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.4.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. This case was earlier heard on **26.2.2021**.
- 2. This case was heard in as Complaint Case 276 of 2020 on 26.2.2021, whereon the Commission ordered the reversion of the case to the First Appellate Authority for hearing and appropriate orders. The First Appellate Authority wrote to the appellant on 8.3.2021 and 19.3.2021 but the appellant did not appear before him. Finally the First Appellate Authority passed speaking orders vide Letter No. 2104-05 on 18.5.2021.

Order Reserved

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Sushil Kumar,

S/o Sh. Lal Chand, # 1410, Phase-I, Urban Estate, Kumari Road, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Deputy Secretary,
Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,
District Patiala.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Engineer-in-Chief,
(Technical Audit and Inspection),
Sector B-III, Shakti Vihar,
Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,

Appeal Case No. 420 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

District Patiala.

(Appellant) Absent Dharamvir Kamal, Senior XEN (for the Respondent) 96461-18877

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 11.12.2020 and 26.2.2021)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **26.5.2020** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding requests/complaints to CM Punjab, CMD, PSPCL, Patiala, Director Admin, PSPCL, Patiala and other officers,</u> as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **18.5.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **7.7.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. This case was earlier heard on **11.12.2020**.
- 2. This case was heard in the Complaint Case 420 of 2020 on 26.2.2021, where on the Commission ordered the reversion of the case to the First Appellate Authority for hearing and appropriate decision. The First Appellate Authority wrote to the appellant on 8.3.2021 and 18.3.2021 but the appellant did not appear before him. Finally the First Appellate Authority passed speaking orders vide Letter No. 2100-02 on 18.5.2021.

Order Reserved.

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Davinder Kaur,

W/o Sh. Mann Singh, # 516, SST Nagar, Patiala.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Executive Officer,
Improvement Trust,
Patiala.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Deputy Director, Local Government,
Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1258 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Davinder Kaur (Appellant) 98882-51446 Sanjeev Kumar, Draftsman (for the Respondent) 97806-03783

- 1. The RTI application is dated **18.2.2020** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding an application Dated 7.8.2009, 10.6.2013 etc.</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **3.7.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.3.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **10.9.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility from Patiala. The respondent PIO, represented by Sanjeev Kumar, Draftsman, stated that a reply was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 1105 Dated 30.7.2020. A second reply was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 1648 Dated 3.9.2021. In the above said replies, the respondents have largely stated that most of the documents sought by the appellant in her RTI application are not available in the office. The respondent has also stated at this hearing that the original file pertaining to this RTI application is not available/gone on missing.
- 3. After hearing the appellant, this Commission directs the respondent PIO to submit a written reply to all Seven points of the RTI application. This reply must be in the form of duly Notarised Affidavit by the respondent PIO-cum-Executive Officer, Rajesh Chaudhary. The said affidavit must be delivered by hand to the appellant who is senior citizen, and a copy of the same be submitted to this Commission. This must be done within next 10 days.

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Appeal Case No. 1258 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

4. <u>Next hearing on 7.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Patiala.</u>

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Rajesh Dhiman,

S/o Sh. Chaman Lal, # 30, Street No. 1, Jujhar Nagar, Patiala.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, Patiala. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1513 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
Lovenish Goyal, Superintendent (for the Respondent) 98886-41727
Manoj Kumar, PIO-cum-Assistant Architect from Building Branch (Respondent) 97800-28472
Navdeep Sharma, Inspector from Property Tx Branch (for the Respondent) 98880-78621

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **1.12.2020** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding House No. 4189/1 Sarhindi Gate Patiala</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **5.2.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.3.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **10.9.2021**.
- 2. The appellant is absent but has intimated the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Lovenish Goyal, Superintendent, and PIO-cum-Assistant Architect from Building Branch, Manoj Kumar and Navdeep Sharma, Inspector from Property Tax branch, submitted that the information requested pertains to separate branches of Municipal Corporation, Patiala and separate replies have been sent to the appellant as following:-

Point No. 1 – reply sent vide Letter No. 672 Dated 4.1.2021. Copy of this has also been received in this Commission.

Pont No. 5 – reply/information sent vide Letter No. 219 Dated 1.7.2021. Copy of the same has been received in the Commission.

Point No. 2, 3, 4, and 6 pertaining to Property Tax Branch – have also been replied by the concerned PIO. However, a copy has not been submitted to this Commission.

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Appeal Case No. 1513 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

- 3. The PIO, Property Tax Branch of Municipal Corporation, Patiala is directed to send copies of reply/information sent to the appellant, to this Commission forthwith. This must include any objection submitted by claimed third parties.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 7.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> Patiala.

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Harvinder Singh,

S/o Sh. Labh Singh, Varaich Colony, Tehsil Samana, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Tehsildar, Samana, District Patiala. First Appellate Authority, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Samana, District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1552 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harvinder Singh (Appellant) 98729-56960 Hakam Singh, Senior Assistant (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **18.12.2020** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding action taken on a complaint dated 24.11.2020 bearing receipt No. 2162,</u> as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **19.1.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.3.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **10.9.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility from Patiala. The respondent PIO, represented by Hakam Singh, Senior Assistant from the office of Tehsildar Samana, stated that the letter cited in the Point No. 2 of the RTI application was searched and not found available in the record of office. The Dak Register was also examined and there is no entry of the said letter having received in the office. A reply to this effect has also been sent vide Letter No. 34 Dated 7.1.2021. The appellant however, contests the respondent PIO's submission pertaining to the aforesaid letter.
- 3. The respondent PIO-cum-Tehsildar, Samana, is herewith directed to submit duly Notarised Affidavit which must contain a pointwise reply to the RTI application of 18.12.2020. Original affidavit is to be handed over to the appellant and a copy of the same be sent to this Commission.

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Appeal Case No. 1552 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

4. <u>Next hearing on 7.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Patiala.</u>

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Asha

W/o Sh. Joginder Singh, # 278/6, Jujjar Nagar, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Station House Officer, Police Station, Division No. 4, Lahori Gate, Patiala. First Appellate Authority,

o/o Deputy Superintendent of Police, City-1, Chotti Baradar, Sheranwala Gate, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1657 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Asha (Appellant) 76961-16509 ASI Niralkar Singh (for the Respondent) 99158-17070 ASI Hakam Singh (for the Respondent) 62399-82833

- 1. The RTI application is dated **5.2.2021** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding Police Chowki Division No. 4, Lahori Gate Patiala</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.3.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.3.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **10.9.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility from Patiala. The respondent PIO is represented by ASI Hakam Singh, and ASI Niralkar Singh from Police Station Division No. 4 Patiala. The respondents submitted that the requested information by way of 10 pages was given to the appellant by hand on 7.9.2021. Some of the information has been handed over at this hearing. The appellant however, insists that the information pertaining to Point No. 1 of the RTI application has not been given. The respondent's contends that the register cited at Point No. 1 of this RTI application does not exist in the Police Station.
- 3. The respondent PIO is directed to send all the information provided to the appellant along with a written, point-wise reply, to this Commission.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

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Appeal Case No. 1657 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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5. <u>Next hearing on 7.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> Patiala.

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Rajinder Singh Virk,

S/o Sh. Gian Singh, # 20, Village Rasulpur Saida, Tehsil & District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
District Patiala.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Inspector General of Police, Patiala Range,
District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1656 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent ASI Hakam Singh (for the Respondent) 62399-82833

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 17.8.2020 vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> regarding election of 2017 Ward No. 20 in Municipal Corporation Patiala, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 15.12.2020 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 9.4.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on 10.9.2021.
- 2. The appellant is absent without intimation. As per the respondent PIO, a reply vide Letter No. 1585 Dated 7.9.2021 along with 11 pages by way of information have been sent to the appellant.
- 3. The respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of the said information and covering letter to the Commission at the earliest. The appellant is meanwhile given an opportunity to examine the information and list deficiency.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

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Appeal Case No. 1656 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. <u>Next hearing on 7.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Patiala.</u>

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Gurlal Singh,

S/o Sh. Sukhdarshan Singh, # 16, Malwa Colony, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, District Patiala. First Appellate Authority, o/o Inspector General of Police, District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1709 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurlal Singh (Appellant) 98142-90703 ASI Hakam Singh (for the Respondent) 62399-82833 ASI Satnam Singh (for the Respondent) 85588-31638

- 1. The RTI application is dated **7.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding DSP Tohana and other employees Police Chowki Patiala</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **31.12.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **5.4.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **10.9.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility from Patiala. The respondent PIO is represented by ASI Hakam Singh and ASI Satnam Singh from Police Station, Civil Lines, Patiala. The respondents state that the information has been sent to the appellant. The appellant whi is also present in court ,insists that he has received no reply in response to his RTI application of 7.9.2020.
- 3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to submit a written point-wise reply to the RTI application along with the requested information after duly attested each page as per the format stipulated by this Commission. This must be done before next hearing.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

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Appeal Case No. 1709 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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5. <u>Next hearing on 7.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> Patiala.

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Rajesh Kumar Sharma, S/o Sh. Ram Roop Sharma, # 149, Jaspal Colony, Street No. 3, Nabha, District Patiala-147201

Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), District Patiala.

Public Information officer,

o/o Regional Deputy Director (CAPIO), Local Govt., Room No. 409, 3rd Floor, Block-A, Mini Secretariat. District Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Deputy Commissioner, District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1836 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Sudhir Sharma Advocate (for the Appellant) 84376-88808 (Respondent) Absent

- 1. The RTI application is dated **18.12.2020** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding Geeta Rani wife of Late Sh. Ashok Kumar, currently w/o Sh. Madan Lal</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **19.1.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.4.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **10.9.2021**.
- 2. The respondent PIO is absent without any intimation. As per the appellant who is represented by his lawyer Sudhir Sharma, the respondent PIO has not given any reply/information to this RTI application which was filed on 18.12.2020. This Commission impleads the **Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development)**, **Patiala** as the deemed PIO in this Appeal Case and directs him to file a written, pointwise reply to this RTI application. This Commission also deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO with this Show Cause Notice.

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Appeal Case No. 1836 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

3. The respondent PIO is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **18.12.2020**.

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 7.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office.</u> Patiala.

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 10.9.2021

Cc: Deputy Commissioner, Patiala, for information and further necessary action.