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Hariit Singh Dhillon S/o Late Sh. Gurbaksh Singh.

H. No. 4072, Street No. 03, Gobind Colony, Jamalpur,

Distt. - Ludhiana - 141015(Punjab)

...Complainant

i) **Public Information Officer,** O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Tehbazari Branch, Zone - B,

Ludhiana(Punjab)

ii) **Public Information Officer,** 

O/o The Commissioner,

(Regd. Post) **Municipal Corporation,** 

Building Branch, Zone - B,

Ludhiana(Punjab) ... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 85 of 2020

Present: Sh. Harjit Singh Dhillon, the complainant in person.

Sh. Abdul Sattar, Superintendent-cum-PIO(Non-Tech.), Zone - B, in person.

V/s

**ORDER** 

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 13.08.2019. The complaint has been received in the Commission on

20.01.2020.

Date:11th January, 2021

On the last date of hearing, held on 14.10.2020, the respondent-PIO office of Tehbazari Branch, Zone-B, was directed to give copies of the information (already given) after getting it certified to the appellant and give a proper reply in connection with point no. 02 and 03 of the RTI request to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Harjit Singh Dhillon, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO as information at point no. 02, 03 and 04 is still pending.

Sh. Abdul Sattar, Superintendent-cum-PIO(Non-Tech.), Zone – B, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the complainant and information at point 04 relates with Building Branch and on the earlier hearing, held on 14.10.2020, Sh. Randhir Singh, Building Inspector of Building Branch, Zone - B, intimated the Commission that information at point no. 04 of the RTI request is already given to the complainant in an other case i. e. A. C. 66 of 2019 and that case(A. C. 66 of 2019) was announced as disposed vide orders dated 05.12.2019

Final opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO office of Tehbazari Branch, Zone-B, to give a proper reply in connection with point no. 02 and 03 of the RTI request to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

A copy the order be sent through registered post to the respondent-PIO of office of Building Branch, Zone-B, with the advice to send a copy of the information (which was already supplied in A. C. 66 of 2019) to the appellant with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Ravinder Singh, C/o Office No. 23,

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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot (Punjab) First Appellate Authority, O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1080 of 2019

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 29.10.2018. First appeal is dated 10.01.2019. Second appeal has

been received in the Commission on 19.03.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 14.10.2020,

i) a copy of the order was sent to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 09.12.2019 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 5,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 09.12.2019) from the salary of Sh. Gurnam Singh under intimation to the Commission.

- ii) As there should be a Public Information Officer in every department and for the period from 23.08.2020 till date, no official is posted/designated as Public Information Officer in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot, accordingly further directions were given to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to intimate that who is posted/designated as PIO in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot.
- iii) A copy of the order alongwith orders dated 09.12.2019, 03.02.2020 and 17.08.2020 was also sent to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport with the advice to intervene into the matter for making functionaries of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot more sensitive and responsible towards the implementation of the RTI Act and also to ensure compliance of the order dated 09.12.2019 passed by the Commission regarding penalty, which was imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot and to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant and to ensure the compliance of the order dated 03.02.2020 regarding disciplinary action, which was recommended by the Commission under Section 20 (2) of the RTI Act against the concerned Public Information Officer for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and for not complying the order passed by the Commission vide orders dated 09.12.2019 and 03.02.2020, under intimation to the Commission.
- iv) A copy of the order alongwith orders dated 09.12.2019, 03.02.2020 and 17.08.2020 was also sent to Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab with the advice to take necessary steps to make the officials concerned more sensitive towards the implementation of the RTI Act to bring transparency in the functioning of public authority concerned.

The appellant, Sh. Ravinder Singh is not present in today's hearing.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability.

In the instant appeal-case file, no document is placed in the case-file, which shows that the required information has been given to the appellant. There is neither any document in the case-file, which shows that penalty amount of Rs. 5000/- (which was imposed upon Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot vide order dated 09.12.2019,) has been paid nor any other document, which shows that disciplinary action (which was recommended by the Commission under Section 20 (2) of the RTI Act against the concerned Public Information Officer vide orders dated 03.02.2020) has been taken by the State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh.

As Sanjeev Kumar, Clerk, who appeared on the hearing, held on 14.10.2020, had stated that Sh. Gurnam Singh was PIO when penalty was imposed and is presently posted as Assistant Transport Officer in the office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Accordingly, a copy of this order be sent to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 09.12.2019 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 5,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 09.12.2019) from the salary of Sh. Gurnam Singh. He must give direction in this regard to the officer concerned, who deals with the payment of salaries of employees. The compliance of this order be ensured under intimation to the Commission by the next date of hearing. Copies of the above-mentioned orders dated 09.12.2019, 03.02.2020 and 14.10.2020 be also sent alongwith this order for ready reference

A copy of this order be sent through registered post to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport to ensure compliance of the order dated 09.12.2019 passed by the Commission regarding penalty, which was imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot and also to ensure compliance of the orders dated 03.02.2020, through which disciplinary action (which was recommended by the Commission under Section 20 (2) of the RTI Act against the concerned Public Information Officer. Copies of the above-mentioned orders dated 09.12.2019, 03.02.2020 and 14.10.2020 be also sent alongwith this order for ready reference.

The case is adjourned to 12th April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Date:11th January, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg) **State Information Commissioner Punjab** 

The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,

(Regd. Post) Department of Transport.,

Pb. Mini Sectt., Sector - 9, Chandigarh

Encl : orders dated ) 09.12.2019

ii) 03.02.2020 iii) 14.10.2020

(Regd. Post) The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,

Sector 17, Chandigarh

Encl: orders dated i) 09.12.2019 ii) 03.02.2020

iii) 14.10.2020

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Harish Chand, Goyal Ayurvedic Store, Chaina Bazaar, Jaito, Distt. - Faridkot (Punjab)

...Appellant

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V/s

**Public Information Officer,** O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot(Punjab)

...Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 3088 of 2019

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER** 

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 07.05.2019. First appeal is dated 08.07.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 22.08.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 14.10.2020,

- i) final opportunity was given to the concerned respondent PIO to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant and copy of information supplied be sent to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not.
- ii) As there should be a Public Information Officer in every department and for the period from 23.08.2020 till date, no official is posted/designated as Public Information Officer in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot, accordingly further directions were given to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to intimate that who is posted/designated as PIO in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot.
- iii) A copy of the order alongwith orders dated 17.08.2020 was sent to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport with the advice to intervene into the matter for making functionaries of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot more sensitive and responsible towards the implementation of the RTI Act.
- iv) A copy of the order alongwith orders dated 17.08.2020, was also sent to Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab with the advice to take necessary steps to make the officials concerned more sensitive towards the implementation of the RTI Act to bring transparency in the functioning of public authority concerned.

The appellant, Sh. Harish Chand is not present in today's hearing.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has neither sent any intimation regarding his non-availability nor sent any document, which shows that the required information has been supplied to the appellant, as directed vide orders dated 14.10.2020.

Final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the orders dated 14.10.2020 passed by the Commission by supplying the certified copies of the required information to the appellant by registered post with a copy to the Commission, with the directions to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing <u>fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings.</u> A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

A copy of this order alongwith orders dated 14.10.2020 be sent through registered post to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport to ensure compliance of the above-said order regarding supplying the certified copies of the required information to the appellant and also to ensure presence of the concerned PIO on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings positively.

Another opportunity is also given to the appellant represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing <u>fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings.</u>

The case is <u>adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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Date:11th January, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)
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Harish Chand, Goyal Ayurvedic Store, Chaina Bazaar, Jaito, Distt. – Faridkot (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot(Punjab)

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 3089 of 2019

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER** 

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 08.05.2019. First appeal is dated 08.07.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 22.08.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 14.10.2020,

- final opportunity was given to the concerned respondent PIO to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant and copy of information supplied be sent to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not.
- ii) As there should be a Public Information Officer in every department and for the period from 23.08.2020 till date, no official is posted/designated as Public Information Officer in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot, accordingly further directions were given to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to intimate that who is posted/designated as PIO in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot.
- iii) A copy of the order alongwith orders dated 17.08.2020 was sent to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport with the advice to intervene into the matter for making functionaries of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot more sensitive and responsible towards the implementation of the RTI Act.
- iv) A copy of the order alongwith orders dated 17.08.2020, was also sent to Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab with the advice to take necessary steps to make the officials concerned more sensitive towards the implementation of the RTI Act to bring transparency in the functioning of public authority concerned.

The appellant, Sh. Harish Chand is not present in today's hearing.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has neither sent any intimation regarding his non-availability nor sent any document, which shows that the required information has been supplied to the appellant, as directed vide orders dated 14.10.2020.

Final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the orders dated 14.10.2020 passed by the Commission by supplying the certified copies of the required information to the appellant after removing the deficiencies, which were pointed out by the appellant through a letter dated 11.03.2020, to him by registered post with a copy to the Commission, with the directions to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing <u>fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings.</u> A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

A copy of this order alongwith orders dated 14.10.2020 be sent through registered post to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport to ensure compliance of the above-said order regarding supplying the certified copies of the required information to the appellant and also to ensure presence of the concerned PIO on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings positively.

Another opportunity is also given to the appellant represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing <u>fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings.</u>

The case is <u>adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing</u> through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date:11th January, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)
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...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer-cum-Assistant Transport Officer,

(Regd. Post) O/o The Secretary,

Regional Transport Authority,

Faridkot (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb. Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

## **Appeal Case No. 3011 of 2019**

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 25.03.2019. First appeal is dated 26.04.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 19.08.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 14.10.2020,

- i) A copy of the order was sent to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 20.01.2020 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 10,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 20.01.2020) from the salary of Sh. Gurnam Singh under intimation to the Commission.
- ii) As there should be a Public Information Officer in every department and for the period from 23.08.2020 till date, no official is posted/designated as Public Information Officer in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot, accordingly further directions were given to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to intimate that who is posted/designated as PIO in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot.
- Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport with the advice to intervene into the matter for making functionaries of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot more sensitive and responsible towards the implementation of the RTI Act and also to ensure compliance of the order dated 20.01.2020 passed by the Commission regarding penalty, which was imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot and to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant under intimation to the Commission.
- iv) A copy of the order alongwith order dated 20.01.2020 was also sent to Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab with the advice to take necessary steps to make the officials concerned more sensitive towards the implementation of the RTI Act to bring transparency in the functioning of public authority concerned.

The appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is not present in today's hearing.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has neither sent any intimation regarding his non-availability nor sent any document, which shows that the penalty amount of Rs. 10,000/- which was imposed upon him vide order dated 20.01.2020, has been deposited.

As Sanjeev Kumar, Clerk, who appeared on the hearing, held on 14.10.2020, had stated that Sh. Gurnam Singh was PIO when penalty was imposed and is presently posted as Assistant Transport Officer in the office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Accordingly, a copy of this order be sent to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 20.01.2020 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 10,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 20.01.2020) from the salary of Sh. Gurnam Singh. He must give direction in this regard to the officer concerned, who deals with the payment of salaries of employees. The compliance of this order be ensured under intimation to the Commission by the next date of hearing. Copies of the above-mentioned orders dated 20.01.2020 and 14.10.2020 be also sent alongwith this order for ready reference

A copy of this order be sent through registered post to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport to ensure compliance of the order dated 20.01.2020 passed by the Commission regarding penalty, which was imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot. Copies of the above-mentioned orders dated 20.01.2020 and 14.10.2020 be also sent alongwith this order for ready reference

The case is adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Department of Transport.,

Pb. Mini Sectt., Sector - 9, Chandigarh

The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,

Encl: orders dated i) 20.01.2020

ii) 14.10.2020

The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector 17, Chandigarh

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...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer-cum-Assistant Transport Officer, O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb. Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 3009 of 2019

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER** 

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 11.03.2019. First appeal is dated 26.04.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 19.08.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 14.10.2020,

- i) A copy of the order was sent to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 20.01.2020 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 10,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 20.01.2020) from the salary of Sh. Gurnam Singh under intimation to the Commission.
- ii) As there should be a Public Information Officer in every department and for the period from 23.08.2020 till date, no official is posted/designated as Public Information Officer in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot, accordingly further directions were given to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to intimate that who is posted/designated as PIO in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot. .
- A copy of the order alongwith order dated <a href="20.01.2020">20.01.2020</a> was also sent to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport with the advice to intervene into the matter for making functionaries of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot more sensitive and responsible towards the implementation of the RTI Act and also to ensure compliance of the order dated 20.01.2020 passed by the Commission regarding penalty, which was imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot and to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant under intimation to the Commission.
- iv) A copy of the order alongwith order dated 20.01.2020 was also sent to Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab with the advice to take necessary steps to make the officials concerned more sensitive towards the implementation of the RTI Act to bring transparency in the functioning of public authority concerned.

The appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is not present in today's hearing.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has neither sent any intimation regarding his non-availability nor sent any document,

which shows that the penalty amount of Rs. 10,000/- which was imposed upon him vide order

dated 20.01.2020, has been deposited.

As Sanjeev Kumar, Clerk, who appeared on the hearing, held on 14.10.2020, had stated that Sh. Gurnam Singh was PIO when penalty was imposed and is presently posted as Assistant Transport Officer in the office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Accordingly, a copy of this order be sent to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 20.01.2020 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 10,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 20.01.2020) from the salary of Sh. Gurnam Singh. He must give direction in this regard to the officer concerned, who deals with the payment of salaries of employees. The compliance of this order be ensured under intimation to the Commission by the next date of hearing. Copies of the above-mentioned orders dated 20.01.2020 and 14.10.2020 be also sent alongwith this order for ready reference

A copy of this order be sent through registered post to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport to ensure compliance of the order dated 20.01.2020 passed by the Commission regarding penalty, which was imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot. Copies of the above-mentioned orders dated 20.01.2020 and 14.10.2020 be also sent alongwith this order for ready reference

The case is <u>adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing</u> through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Encl : orders dated i) 20.01.2020

ii) 14.10.2020

(Regd. Post)

The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector 17, Chandigarh

Encl : orders dated i) 20.01.2020

ii) 14.10.2020

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...Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 369 of 2019

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, Secretary, R.T.A., Sangrur, in person.

**ORDER** 

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 24.01.2019. The complaint has been received in the

Commission on 10.04.2019.

Date:11th January, 2021

On the last date of hearing, held on 14.10.2020, the complainant, stated that he had not received the remaining information from the respondent. Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, Secretary, who appeared in person on that day, sought an adjournment in this case so that complete information could be supplied to the complainant. The complainant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 19.10.2020 at 11:00 A. M. to collect the remaining information and Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, Secretary was directed to remain present in the office on 19.10.2020 at 11:00 A. M. to hand over the remaining information to the complainant. The complainant was advised to confirm whether he received the information or not.

The appellant, Sh. Rajesh Kumar, through a letter dated 19.10.2020, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he has visited the office on 19.10.2020 but neither the Secretary, R.T.A., Sangrur, was present in the office nor the required has been provided to him during his visit to office.

Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, Secretary, R.T.A., Sangrur, who appeared in person in today's hearing, seeks an adjournment in this case.

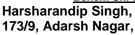
Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned either to supply the certified copies of the remaining information to the appellant as per queries raised by the appellant through RTI request. If any information, to any query/queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, is not available or maintained in the official record, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will file a reply, in writing, to the particular query/queries, to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training, Punjab, Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 100 of 2020

Present: Sh. Harsharandip Singh, the complainant in person.

Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director-cum-PIO, in person.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'. The RTI request is dated 24.09.2018. The complaint has been received in the

Commission on 23.01.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 10.11.2020, the complainant stated that no information was supplied to him by the respondent PIO. Sh. Balvir Singh, Assistant Director(Recruitment), who appeared in person on that day, sought an adjournment in this case so that the required information could be supplied to the complainant. Last opportunity was given to the respondent-PIO concerned to send a point-wise written reply to the complainant as per queries raised by him through RTI request through registered post with a copy to the Commission.

The complainant, Sh. Harsharandip Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director-cum-PIO, who appeared in person, in today's hearing, states that the requisite information could not be supplied to the complainant as an vigilance enquiry is pending in the instant appeal-case.

The appellant has demanded final selection list, waiting list, offer letters to join the service etc. of Contract Bases Instructors, whose services were regularized on 01.04.2011. If, the above-said enquiry does not pertain to the period, regarding which the information has been sought by the appellant, then, the respondent-PIO concerned would send a point wise reply to each and every query, raised by the appellant through RTI request to the appellant through registered post and also send the same to the Commission, before the next date of hearing.

If, the above-said enquiry pertains to the period, regarding which the information has been sought by the appellant, then, the respondent-PIO concerned would file a reply, in writing, specifically mentioning the time period regarding which vigilance enquiry is pending.

The appellant is advised to confirm whether he has received the information/reply, which would be sent to him by the respondent PIO, by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing</u> through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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First Appellate Authority, O/o The Commissioner. **Municipal Corporation**, Ludhiana (Punjab)

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Appeal Case No. 108 of 2020

Sh. Gurmej Lal, on behalf of the appellant. Present:

Sh. Pardeep Sehgal, Assistant Town Planner-cum-PIO of Zone-B, in person.

**ORDER** 

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 07.10.2019. First appeal is dated 09.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 30.12.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 23.11.2020, the appellant was not present. Sh. Harjit Singh, Building Inspector of Zone-B, who appeared for the respondent PIO, stated that the required information is ready and the appellant can collect the same from the office. Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to send the requisite information to the appellant within three days from that day and send a copy of the same to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the appellant point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO. A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Sh. Harjit Singh, Building Inspector of Zone-B of office of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Sh. Pardeep Sehgal, Assistant Town Planner-cum-PIO of Zone-B, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant and a reply has again been sent to the appellant vide letter no. 1094 dated 08.01.2021 and a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 1094 dated 08.01.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Sh. Gurmej Lal, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill, in today's hearing, states that no information has been received by him till date.

Sh. Pardeep Sehgal, states that the information, given to the appellant, is also available at the official website of the office.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 04.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to collect the required information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information to the appellant during his visit on 04.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M.

The case is adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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...Appellant

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First Appellate Authority, O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 395 of 2020

Present: Sh. Gurmej Lal, on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Jagdeep Singh, Draftsman, Zone - D, on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 29.10.2019. First appeal is dated 02.12.2019. Second appeal has

been received in the Commission on 21.01.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 23.11.2020, an opportunity was given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 23.12.2020 at 11:00 A. M to identify the required information. The respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the required information, identified by the appellant after inspection, to the appellant. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or the case would be decided on merits.

Sh. Gurmej Lal, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill, in today's hearing, states that the appellant visited the office to inspect the relevant official record but no information has been supplied to him.

Sh. Jagdeep Singh, Draftsman, Zone – D, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the appellant did not visit the office to inspect the relevant official record on 23.12.2020 at 11:00 A. M to identify the required information as directed vide orders dated 23.11.2020.

After hearing both the parties concerned, it emerges that the appellant has visited Zone – B of the office of M. C., Ludhiana instead of Zone – D.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 05.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M to identify the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 05.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. so that he could identify the required information.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing.

And if the appellant will not visit the office of the respondent PIO on the fixed date i. e. 05.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. in the office of the respondent, the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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...Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone – C, Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 397 of 2020

Present: Sh. Gurmej Lal, on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Satish Kumar, Assistant Town Planner-cum-PIO of Zone-C, in person.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 31.10.2019. First appeal is dated 02.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.01.2020.

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On the last date of hearing, held on 23.11.2020, the appellant was not present. Ms. Shawinder Pal Kaur, Building Inspector of Zone – C, who appeared for the respondent PIO, stated that a point-wise reply was sent to the appellant vide letter dated 08.09.2020 through an e-mail. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or the case would be decided on merits.

Sh. Satish Kumar, Assistant Town Planner-cum-PIO of Zone-C, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant and a reply has again been sent to the appellant.

Sh. Gurmej Lal, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill, in today's hearing, states that no information has been received by him till date.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO today itself i. e. 11.01.2021 at 03:00 P. M. to collect the required information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information to the appellant during his visit today itself i. e. 11.01.2021 at 03:00 P. M.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO, by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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First Appellate Authority, O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 398 of 2020

Present: Sh. Gurmej Lal, on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Jagdeep Singh, Draftsman, Zone – D, on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER** 

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 29.10.2019. First appeal is dated 02.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.01.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 23.11.2020, the appellant was not present on that day.

An opportunity was given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 23.12.2020 at 11:00 A. M to identify the required information. The respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the required information, identified by the appellant after inspection, to the appellant. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or the case would be decided on merits.

Sh. Gurmej Lal, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill, in today's hearing, states that the appellant visited the office to inspect the relevant official record but no information has been supplied to him.

Sh. Jagdeep Singh, Draftsman, Zone – D, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the appellant did not visit the office to inspect the relevant official record on 23.12.2020 at 11:00 A. M to identify the required information as directed vide orders dated 23.11.2020.

After hearing both the parties concerned, it emerges that the appellant has visited Zone – B of the office of M. C., Ludhiana instead of Zone – D.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 05.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M to identify the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 05.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. so that he could identify the required information.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing.

And if the appellant will not visit the office of the respondent PIO on the fixed date i. e. 05.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. in the office of the respondent, the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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