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Sh Gian Chand Goyal,  
New Market, Jaito.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o AFSSO,  
Jaito.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 1097 of 2021**

**ORDER:**

The complainant through an RTI application dated 21.07.2020 has sought information on 07 points regarding the list of rice shellers, gas agencies/petrol pumps in Jaito alongwith inspections reports from the year 2019 – list of godowns having govt stock alongwith concerned inspector –details of employees in the office alongwith detail of their salaries –online copies of gate pass and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of AFSSO Jaito. The complainant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 26.07.2021 after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the first appellate authority on 27.08.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. Due to a technical fault in VC, the hearing could not take place.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **06.09.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 11.05.2022**

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Sh Lajpat Rai Garg, S/o Sh Harbans Lal,  
R/o Romana Street Jaito,  
Distt Faridkot.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o EO, MC,  
Kotakpura.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Addl. Deputy Commissioner, (Urban Development),  
Faridkot.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 4589 of 2021**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 20.07.2021 has sought information on 09 points regarding the proceeding of the meeting of MC dated 01.02.2014 to 31.08.2019 with the letter sent to DC Faridkot/DLG Chandigarh, DDLG Ferozepur – a copy of the order of Yashpal Singh Sanitary Inspector who worked in MC alongwith his joining, relieving order and reports – employment of employees on compassionate ground and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of EO-MC Kotkapura. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the first appellate authority on 24.08.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. Due to a technical fault in VC, the hearing could not take place.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **06.09.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

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R/o Romana Street Jaito,  
Distt Faridkot.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o EO, MC,  
Kotakpura.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Addl. Deputy Commissioner, (Urban Development),  
Faridkot.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 4588 of 2021**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 30.07.2021 has sought information on 07 points regarding the proceeding book from 21.03.2020 including forwarding letters sent to Director Local Govt Chandigarh, DDLG Ferozepur – General cash book, urban mission cashbook, RTI receipts/dispatch from 01.01.2021 till date – list of MC employees with their rank including pay details and persons on contract basis – tender of works with the advertisement, publication allotted works – list of retired employees from 01.01.2019 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of EO-MC Kotkapura. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the first appellate authority on 24.08.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. Due to a technical fault in VC, the hearing could not take place.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **06.09.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 11.05.2022**

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



Sh Makhan Singh, s/o Sh Jagir Singh,  
Village Bika, Distt SBS Nagar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o SDM,  
Banga.

First Appellate authority,  
O/o SDM,  
Banga.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 887 of 2021**

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

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 14.08.2020 has sought information regarding an Activa scooter purchased by Gurdeep Singh – the cost of the Activa scooter – a copy of the receipt of the first payment made by Gurdeep Singh and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SDM Banga. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 22.10.2020 after which the appellant filed first appeal before the first appellate authority on 22.11.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing before Ms.Preeti Chawla, State Information Commissioner on 02.06.2021. The respondent was absent. The respondent was given one more opportunity to appear before the Commission and reply.

On the date of the next hearing 28.07.2021, the respondent was again absent nor had supplied the information. The PIO was issued a show cause notice u/s 20 of the RTI Act and directed to file a reply as well as appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

On the date of the last hearing on 24.08.2021, the appellant was absent and informed telephonically that the PIO has not supplied the complete information.

Sh.Daljit Singh, ASD appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO and informed that the available information has been supplied to the appellant. The PIO however failed to file a reply to the show cause notice. The PIO was given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show cause notice before the next date of hearing.

**Hearing dated 11.05.2022:**

The case has come up for hearing today before this bench through video conferencing at DAC-SBS Nagar. Both the parties are absent.

The PIO has, however, not filed any reply to the show cause notice issued on 28.07.2021. The PIO is given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show cause notice otherwise it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say on the matter and the Commission will decide penal action against the PIO under section 20 of the RTI Act.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **13.09.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, SBS Nagar. .

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 11.05.2022**

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



Sh Mohabbat Pal Singh, S/o Sh Brahamn Simngh,  
Village Sahijbaazpur, Tehsil Nawanshehar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o DFSC,  
SBS Nagar.

First Appellate authority,  
O/o Director,  
Food & Civil Supplies,  
Sector-39-C, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 4020 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Mohabbat Pal Singh as the Appellant**  
**Sh.Jatinder Singh, Food Supply Officer for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 10.05.2021 has sought information regarding details of wheat received by depot holders Paramjit Singh, Krishan Lal and Ram Sarup from 31.03.2015 to 31.03.2021 and distributed to beneficiaries – a copy of gate pass and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of DFSC SBS Nagar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the first appellate authority on 17.06.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

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

As per the respondent, the reply has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 06.01.2022 that since as per HO letter dated 24.09.2022, the record relating to depot holders is retained for only one year, the information cannot be provided.

Having gone through the record, the Commission observes that the RTI application was filed on 10.06.2021 whereas the reply has been sent on 06.01.2022 with a delay of more than six months. 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 case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **13.09.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, SBS Nagar .

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 11.05.2022**

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Sh Ravinder Mahajan,  
F9/876, Guru Nanak Nagar,  
Gali NO-2, Batala Road,  
Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o CMO, Near Old Courts,  
Opp SSP Residence, Civil Lines.  
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o CMO, Near Old Courts,  
Opp SSP Residence, Civil Lines.  
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 4375 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Ravinder Mahajan for the Appellant**  
**Dr.Manu for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 04.06.2021 has sought information regarding action taken on the medical bill of Smt.Raj Rani Mother of Ravinder Mahajan submitted by RPFCL Ludhiana vide letter dated 09.09.2020 and on the reminders sent in Oct.2020, Nov.2020 & Dec.2020, as well as a reminder of RPFCL Ludhiana, dated 08.04.2021 alongwith the name of persons responsible for negligence as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of CMO, Near Old Courts, Opp SSP Residence, Civil Lines, Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the first appellate authority on 16.07.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

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

The respondent present pleaded that the medical bill of Smt Raj Rani was received in their office vide diary No.406 which after checking (with some objection) was sent back to their office vide letter No.1400 dated 30.07.2021 and the reply was sent to the appellant vide letter dated 02.08.2021.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the PIO is directed to reconcile and sort out the matter and provide complete detail/status of action taken in the case as discussed during the hearing.

The information is to be provided within 15 days of the receipt of the order with a copy to the Commission.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **14.09.2022** 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**  
**Dated: 11.05.2022**

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



Sh Tejinder Singh,  
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,  
Backside Sanjh Kender,  
Phillaur.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Food Safety Officer,  
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o District Health Officer,  
Amritsar.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 4131 of 2021**

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

**ORDER:**

The appellant through an RTI application dated 15.04.2021 has sought information on 07 points regarding the number of contractors in the Amritsar district which are registered and have deposited requisite fee – details of petrol/diesel provided to Food Safety officer for the vehicle provided during collection samples – details of the amount released to food operators against their goods during sample from 2018 – instructions to collect samples by food safety officer etc. as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Food Safety Officer, Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed first appeal before the first appellate authority on 31.05.2021 which took no decision on the appeal. After filing the first appeal, the Food Safety Officer Amritsar-3 & Amritsar-5 sent a reply to the appellant vide letter dated Nil to which the appellant was not satisfied and filed 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

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

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.

The PIO is again directed to provide complete information to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **14.09.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana. The PIO to appear through VC at DAC Amritsar.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 11.05.2022**

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Sh Sudesh Kumar, S/o Sh Roshan Lal,  
R/o Quarter No-7, Near Sai Mandir,  
Ajnala, Distt Amritsar.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Director,  
Health & Family Welfare Deptt,  
Sector-34-A, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 1199 of 2021**

**PRESENT: Sh.Sudesh Kumar for the Appellant**  
**Sh.Supinder Singh, Suptd. for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The complainant through an RTI application dated 03.11.2020 has sought information regarding a copy of diary dispatch register regarding the entry of letter dated 05.09.2020 – action taken on application dated 05.09.2020 alongwith noting/correspondence letters and statement recorded – the time period to be taken for dealing a complaint with reasons for delay etc. as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Director Health and Family Welfare, Pb Chandigarh. The complainant was not provided with the information after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 06.10.2021.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per the complainant, the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent present pleaded that the complaint dated 05.09.2020 of the complainant was not received till the date of filing of RTI application and the same was received only on 27.11.2020. Thereafter, the complaint was marked to the Civil Surgeon, Amritsar vide letter dated 12.02.2021 for conducting an enquiry into the matter and to send an enquiry report within 15 days and the reply was sent to the complainant vide letter dated 15.02.2021. However, even issuance of a reminder to the Civil Surgeon, Amritsar on 12.10.2021, no report has yet been received.

The respondent has further informed that the complainant has also filed a complaint in Police Station Ajnala against Arjinderpal Kaur. As per the respondent, the complainant had also filed a writ petition in the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana which was dismissed on 31.08.2021.

From the facts that appeared at the hearing, the complaint which was filed by the complainant through registered post on 05.09.2020, was received by the department only on 27.11.2020 which technically makes the RTI application dated 03.11.2020 redundant and technically a fresh RTI application on the matter should have been filed,

However, from the RTI application, there appears to be a larger public interest through disclosure of this information, thus I am considering this as a fresh RTI application and directing the Health Authority to reconcile this RTI application.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **14.09.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar. The PIO is to appear at Chandigarh.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated: 11.05.2022**

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