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Shri Harinder Pal Singh,
S/o Shri Dalbir Singh,
R/o H. No. 278, Near Old Talab,
Hira Mahal Colony,
Nabha.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o E.O., Nagar Council,
Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Regional Deputy Director,
Local Govt. Bodies, Patiala.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3122 of 2020

Present:- Shri Harinder Pal Singh, appellant is present.
Shri Ashwani Kumar, Clerk is present on behalf of Shri Sukhdev Singh Kamboj,
SPIO-cum-E.O., Nagar Council, Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

O R D E R

Shri Harinder Pal Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 06.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o E.O., Nagar Council, Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are present today.

The appellant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him by the SPIO.

The Respondent who is present on behalf of the SPIO requested that the appellant may visit the office of the SPIO for inspection of concerned record and after inspection the claimed pages of information will be provided to him.

So, the appellant is directed to visit the office of the SPIO tomorrow i.e. 12.08.2021 at 10.00 AM for the inspection of the related record and the SPIO-cum-EO will be responsible to provide the attested copies of claimed pages of information to the appellant after the inspection and send compliance to the Commission accordingly. Non compliance of the Order of the Commission would be viewed seriously and a Show Cause Notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **26.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**

Shri Veeru Singh, S/o Shri Dhola Singh,
Village Ladhuka,
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Panchayat Secretary,
Gram Panchayat, Ladhuka,
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o BDPO, Jalalabad.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1230 of 2021

Present:- Shri Veeru Singh, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the PIO.

O R D E R

Shri Veeru Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 24.09.2020 before the SPIO, O/o Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka. The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Ladhuka, Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka vide letter dated 22.10.2020.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meeting Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the PIO. The appellant stated that neither the information nor the compensation has been provided to him by the PIO.

The PIO was absent on the last date of hearing i.e. on 17.06.2021 and today again he is absent without any intimation.

The Commission has received a mail sent by the BDPO, Jalalabad on 14.07.2021, diarized vide no. 15492, which is a copy of letter no. 1483 dated 30.06.2021 vide which a direction is issued to Shri Charanjit Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Laduka to provide the information and the amount of compensation of Rs. 2,000/- to the appellant and to attend the hearing for today, but inspite of the directions none has appeared on behalf of the PIO.

The conduct of the PIO amounts to denial of information and defiance of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. So, a show cause notice is issued to Shri Charanjit Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Laduka that why the sought for information has not been provided to the appellant within the stipulated period and so why he may not be penalized upto Rs. 25,000/- which will be deducted from the salary.

The PIO is directed to file reply to the show cause notice through duly attested affidavit and send the same to the Commission at least 10 days before the next date of hearing

and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the show cause notice. In case the PIO would not file reply to the show cause notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defense and the show cause notice will be decided on the basis of papers available in the file.

The PIO is further directed to sent the amount of compensation of Rs. 2,000/- to the appellant from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 10 days along with attested copies of information and compliance be sent to the Commission.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **22.09.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Shri Tejinder Singh, Advocate,
Civil Courts, Tehsil Complex,
Backside Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o M.C., Phillaur,
Distt. Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/ Deputy Director,
Local Government,
Jalandhar.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1559 of 2021

Present:- Shri Tejinder Singh (Advocate), appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o M.C., Phillaur, Distt. Jalandhar.

O R D E R

Shri Tejinder Singh (Advocate), appellant filed RTI application dated 20.09.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o M.C., Phillaur, Distt. Jalandhar.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meeting Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas the respondent is absent.

The appellant stated that the SPIO has sent him the information through Whatsapp, but the information is incomplete.

So, appellant is directed that he should send the deficiencies in writing to the notice of the SPIO within 5 days and the SPIO is further directed that attested copies of the information regarding the deficiencies be sent to the appellant within 10 days through registered post and compliance report be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the PIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/- which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software** (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. **22.09.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

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

.... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, (Regd.)

O/o Food Safety Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Designated Food Safety Officer
Patiala.

... Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2324 of 2020

Present:- Tejinder Singh, Advocate, (appellant) is present.
Ms. Gagandeep Kaur, SPIO-cum-Food Safety Officer, Patiala is present.

ORDER

Shri Tejinder Singh, Advocate, appellant filed RTI application dated 02.07.2019 and sought information from the SPIO, O/o Food Safety Officer, Patiala **regarding registration and checking of canteens in central jails and academic institutions in the district for the period 2010 to 1st July, 2019.**

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are present today.

The appellant stated that neither the complete information nor the amount of compensation of Rs.4,000/- has been provided to him by the SPIO.

The respondent SPIO stated that she has written to her higher authorities regarding the release of amount of compensation of Rs. 4,000/- and requested for some time.

So, the SPIO is directed to pay the amount of compensation of Rs.4,000/- to the appellant from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within 10 days along with the attested copies of remaining information, if any. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and she will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **26.08.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Shri Charanjit Singh,
S/o Shri Kartar Singh,
Village Hambra, Distt. Ludhiana.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Dev. & Panchayat Officer,
Ludhiana-1

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1926 of 2021

Present:- Shri Charanjit Singh, appellant is absent.
Shri Sarabjit Singh, Superintendent, O/o Block Dev. & Panchayat Officer,
Ludhiana-1 is present.

O R D E R

Shri Charanjit Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 28.12.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Block Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana-1. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 01.02.2021 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 16.04.2021. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

The appellant is absent today, whereas the respondent is present on behalf of the SPIO and he requested that the Panchayat Secretaries are on strike and sought some time for providing the information to the appellant.

The request of the respondent is heard and allowed with a direction to the SPIO that the attested copies of sought for information be sent to the appellant through registered post within 10 days and copy be sent to the Commission for compliance. Non compliance of the Order of the Commission would be viewed seriously.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **22.09.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Shri Pawan Kumar,
S/o Shiv Lal,
Village Rupana,
Tehsil & Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Panchayat Secretary,
Gram Panchayat, Bhaika Kera,
Lambi.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer,
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1928 of 2021

Present:- Shri Pawan Kumar, appellant is absent.
None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat,
Bhaika Kera, Lambi.

O R D E R

Shri Pawan Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.01.2021 before the SPIO-cum-BDPO, Lambi. The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the SPIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Bhaika Kera, Lambi vide letter dated 01.02.2021. When no information was provided to the appellant by the PIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 05.03.2021 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 16.04.2021. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Both the parties are absent today and neither they have sent any mail to the Commission.

So, the present case is adjourned with the direction to the PIO that attested copies of sought for information be sent to the appellant through registered post within 10 days and copy of the same be sent to the Commission for compliance. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the PIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/- which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **05.10.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Shri Iqbal Singh Rasulpur,
C/o Advocate Manmohan Katyial,
Office Near ADC Office, G.T. Road,
Jagraon, Distt. Ludhiana.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP (Rural), Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o IGP, Ludhiana Range, Ludhiana.

---Respondent.

Appeal Case No. 1930 of 2021

Present:- Shri Iqbal Singh Rasulpur, appellant is absent.
ASI Harpreet Singh, Belt No.315/LDH is present on behalf of Shri Charanjit Singh
Sohal, IPS, SPIO-cum-SSP (Rural), Ludhiana.

O R D E R

Shri Iqbal Singh Rasulpur, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.01.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o SSP (Rural), Ludhiana. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 04.03.2021 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 16.04.2021. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

The appellant is absent today, whereas the respondent is present on behalf of the SPIO.

I have gone through the RTI application dated 25.01.2021 and the appellant sought information through 1 to 8 points.

ASI Harpreet Singh, who is present on behalf of the SPIO, stated that the RTI application filed by the appellant is not specific as all the letter numbers are not related with the office of SSP(Rural) Ludhiana. He further stated that the appellant should specify that which letter number is related with this office and regarding this letter no. 68 dated 20.02.2021 and letter no. 293 dated 03.08.2021 were written to the appellant, but he has not specified regarding the letters.

So, the appellant is directed that he should specify the letter numbers which are related with the office of the SSP(Rural) Ludhiana to the notice of the SPIO within five days so that the information can be provided to him. The SPIO is further directed that in case the appellant would specify regarding the letters then the attested copies of information be provided to him within five days from the receipt of specification of letters. In case the appellant would not specify regarding the letters then case will be decided on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **05.10.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Smt. Kiran Sharma, W/o Late Shri Jagdish Sharma,
Street No. 42, Preet Nagar,
Shimlapuri, Ludhiana.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Police Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Police Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1919 of 2020

Present:- Shri Sushil Kumar is present on behalf of Smt. Kiran Sharma, appellant.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana.

ORDER

Smt. Kiran Sharma, appellant filed RTI application dated 24.08.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Shri Sushil Kumar is present on behalf of Smt. Kiran Sharma, appellant, whereas none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO. The representative of the appellant stated that the appellant has filed RTI application dated 24.08.2020 and sought information through 1 to 6 points, but the sought for information has not been provided by the SPIO.

The respondent though is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission, which is a copy of letter no.689-D dated 07.08.2021 and it is submitted by the SPIO that the inquiries regarding the information sought by the appellant have been completed and the sought for information comprising of 46 pages has been sent to the appellant through post on 07.08.2021.

So, the appellant is directed that she should go through the information sent by the SPIO and in case of any deficiencies, then she should submit in writing to the notice of the SPIO within 10 days and the SPIO is further directed that in case the appellant would submit the deficiencies, then the attested copies of information regarding the deficiencies be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/- which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **05.10.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Smt. Kirandeep Kaur,
Principal, Govt. Girls Sr. Sec. School,
Machhiwara Sahib, Distt. Ludhiana.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o DEO (SE), 2nd Floor, DC Office Complex,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DEO (SE), 2nd Floor, DC Office Complex,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1920 of 2021

Present:- Advocate Karambir Singh Chawla is present on behalf of Smt. Kirandeep Kaur, Appellant.
Shri Paramjit Singh, SPIO-cum-Suptd., O/o DEO (SE), Ludhiana is present.

O R D E R

Smt. Kirandeep Kaur, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.11.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o DEO (SE), Ludhiana. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 20.01.2021 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 16.04.2021. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Advocate Karambir Singh Chawla is present on behalf of Smt. Kirandeep Kaur, appellant and Shri Paramjit Singh, SPIO-cum-Suptd. is also present.

The respondent stated that he has sent the information to the appellant on 06.08.2021 vide letter no. 267648-49 and a copy of the same has also been sent to the Commission for compliance.

The Counsel of the appellant requested for some time to go through the information which was sent to the appellant. His request is genuine and allowed and a period of 10 days is given to the appellant that in case she feels some deficiencies after going through the information, then she should bring the deficiencies in writing to the notice of the SPIO and the SPIO is further directed that in case the appellant would submit the list of deficiencies to his notice, then he should provide attested copies of remaining information to the appellant within a week from the receipt of deficiencies. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission action will be taken against the SPIO under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005. In case the appellant would not submit the deficiencies to the knowledge of the SPIO then it will be assumed that the information sent by the SPIO is complete and the case will be decided on the next date of hearing accordingly.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **01.09.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Shri Mehar Chand, S/o Shri Parkash Chand,
H.No. 128, Gali No. 3/3,
Green Avenue, Bibi Wala Road,
Bathinda.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director General of School (SE),
Branch Services 3, Punjab School Education Board,
Phase-8, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director General of School (SE),
Branch Services 3, Punjab School Education Board,
Phase-8, Mohali.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1921 of 2021

Present:- Shri Madan Lal is present on behalf of Shri Mehar Chand, appellant .
Shri Jai Singh Rana, O/o Director General of School (SE), Branch
Services 3, Punjab School Education Board, Mohali is present.

O R D E R

Shri Mehar Chand, appellant filed RTI application dated 15.01.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Director General of School (SE), Branch Services 3, Punjab School Education Board, Mohali. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 25.02.2021 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 16.04.2021. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Shri Madan Lal is present on behalf of Shri Mehar Chand, appellant and Shri Jai Singh Rana is present on behalf of the SPIO.

The respondent stated that the sought for information has already been provided to the appellant in another case.

The representative of the appellant stated that no information has been provided to the appellant in the present case.

So, the SPIO is directed to send the attested copies of information to the appellant through registered post within a week and compliance be sent to the Commission. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/- which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **01.09.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 11.08.2021

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.