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<u>Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab</u>

(Regd. Post) Charan Dass

S/o Sh. Jagdish Chand, Village – Fatehpur, P. O. -, Vajidpur,

Teh. & Distt. – Patiala(Punjab)

....Appellant

i) Public Information Officer,

(Regd. Post) O/o The Head Teacher,

Govt. Elementary School,

Fatehpur,

Block Patiala - 3 (Punjab)

ii) Public Information Officer,

O/o The Block Primary Education Officer.

Patiala - 3 (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The District Education Officer, Patiala(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3068 of 2021

V/s

Present: Sh. Charan Dass, the appellant.

Ms. Vishavdeep Kaur, Head Teacher, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 17.02.2020. First appeal is dated 22.03.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 06.07.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Charan Dass, could not make himself audible during the proceedings of the instant appeal case.

Ms. Vishavdeep Kaur, Head Teacher, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the required fee of Rs. 500/- was demanded from the appellant for information of 250 pages vide letter dated 02.03.2020, which was deposited by the appellant by way of Indian Postal Orders (I.P.Os). She further states that due to spread of Novel Covid -19, the same (I.P.Os) were returned to the appellant.

Nevertheless, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 15.11.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify and collect the required information, after depositing the required fee, which would be intimated during the inspection.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office on 15.11.2021 at 11:00 A. M so that information could be identified by him. He/she is also directed to supply the required information to the appellant, which would be identified by him after inspection, after collecting the required fee from him.

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 after inspection, or not and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing.

Ms. Vishavdeep Kaur, Head Teacher, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record.

The case is <u>adjourned to 15th December, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Date: 11th October, 2021

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The appellant, Sh. Charan Dass, appeared in person, after the hearing of the instant appeal case was over. He was read out the above order.

The case stands <u>adjourned to 15th December, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M.</u> for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Munish Kumar Adya

S/o Late Sh. Girdhar Gopal Adya, H. No. B-05-975, Mohalla Falan Adda,

Daal Bazar, Ludhiana (Punjab)



...Appellant

V/s

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

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4558 of 2019

Present: Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Clerk (Zone – A), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 16.09.2019. First appeal is dated 18.10 .2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 06.12.2019.

Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Clerk (Zone – A),, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Munish Kumar Adya, in today's hearing, states that the appellant has pointed out deficiencies through letter dated 29.09.2021, which have not been removed till date. He also intimates the Commission that a letter dated 09.10.2021, has been sent to the Commission, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Heard the parties.

Date: 11th October, 2021

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to both the parties to be present with the information (already supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

If the appellant or his authorized representative would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2nd December, 2021(Thursday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing</u>
<u>in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya</u>
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Daal Bazar, Ludhiana (Punjab)

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...Appellant

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

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4556 of 2019

Present: Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Clerk (Zone – A), on behalf of the respondent.

V/s

<u>ORDER</u>

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

The RTI request is dated 11.09.2019. First appeal is dated 18.10.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 06.12.2019.

Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Clerk (Zone – A),, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Munish Kumar Adya, in today's hearing, states that the appellant has pointed out deficiencies through letter dated 29.09.2021, which have not been removed till date. He also intimates the Commission that a letter dated 09.10.2021, has been sent to the Commission, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Heard the parties.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to both the parties to be present with the information (already supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

If the appellant or his authorized representative would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2nd December, 2021(Thursday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing</u>
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Mandi Mullanpur,

Distt.Ludhiana-141101(Punjab)

V/s

Public Information Officer,

(Regd. Post) O/o The Executive Officer,

Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,

District - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner

(Urban Development), Ludhiana (Punjab) ...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3447 of 2018

...Appellant

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

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

The RTI request is dated 29.05.2018. First appeal is dated 26.07.2018. Second

appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.10.2018.

Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the

respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the appellant visited the office, inspected the official record and the requisite information was supplied to the appellant.

Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, is not present in today's hearing but through a letter dated 11.10.2021, he has intimated that deficiencies were pointed out to the respondent PIO vide a letter dated 27.07.2021, which (letter dated 11.10.2021) has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

As in another case an official of office of Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana (who represented another case) has intimated that six posts of Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies in State of Punjab has been abolished and in every District, Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development) are appointed, hence, a copy of this order be sent through registered post in the name of Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana instead of Regional Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Ludhiana for further hearing/hearings of this case.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2nd December, 2021(Thursday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

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...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

(Regd. Post) O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner

(Urban Development), Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 369 of 2020

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Gurdeep Singh, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 22.04.2019. First appeal is dated 29.05.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.01.2020.

Sh. Gurdeep Singh, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the Enquiry Officer, who was appointed to enquire the matter, disciplinary action has been recommended against him for delay. He also intimates the Commission that a reply, signed by Superintendent, District Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana, has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 5429 dated 06.10.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, intimating that as the complaint is under process and information would be supplied by the next date of hearing positively. It is taken on record.

Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta is not present in today's hearing but through a letter dated 11.10.2021, he has intimated that deficiencies were pointed out to the respondent PIO vide a letter dated 27.07.2021, which (letter dated 11.10.2021) has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

Date: 11th October, 2021

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. letter no. 3913 dated 26.07.2021, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 16851 dated 02.08.2021, has intimated the Commission that six posts of Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies in State of Punjab has been abolished and in every District, Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development) are appointed. It is taken on record.

Accordingly, a copy of this order be sent through registered post in the name of Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana instead of Regional Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Ludhiana for further hearing/hearings of this case.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2nd December, 2021(Thursday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing</u>
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...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, (Regd. Post)

O/o The Executive Officer,

Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha, District - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3446 of 2018

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

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

The RTI request is dated 30.05.2018. First appeal is dated 25.07.2018. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.10.2018.

Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the appellant visited the office, inspected the official record and the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant.

Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, is not present in today's hearing but through a letter dated 11.10.2021, he has intimated that deficiencies were pointed out to the respondent PIO vide a letter dated 27.07.2021, which (letter dated 11.10.2021) has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

Date: 11th October, 2021

As in another case an official of office of Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana (who represented another case) has intimated that six posts of Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies in State of Punjab has been abolished and in every District, Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development) are appointed, hence, a copy of this order be sent through registered post in the name of Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana instead of Regional Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Ludhiana for further hearing/hearings of this case.

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First Appellate Authority, O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

...Appellant

Appeal Case No. 4522 of 2019

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Gurdeep Singh, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

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

The RTI request is dated 02.12.2019. First appeal is dated 06.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 10.12.2019.

Sh. Gurdeep Singh, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the Enquiry Officer, who was appointed to enquire the matter, disciplinary action has been recommended against him for delay. He also intimates the Commission that a reply, signed by Superintendent, District Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana, has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 5429 dated 06.10.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, intimating that as the complaint is under process and information would be supplied by the next date of hearing positively. It is taken on record.

Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta is not present in today's hearing but through a letter dated 11.10.2021, he has intimated that deficiencies were pointed out to the respondent PIO vide a letter dated 27.07.2021, which (letter dated 11.10.2021) has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

Appeal Case No. 4522 of 2019

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After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. letter no. 3919 dated 26.07.2021, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 16850 dated 02.08.2021, has intimated the Commission that six posts of Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies in State of Punjab has been abolished and in every District, Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development) are appointed. It is taken on record.

Accordingly, a copy of this order be sent through registered post in the name of Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana instead of Regional Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Ludhiana for further hearing/hearings of this case.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2nd December, 2021(Thursday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing</u> in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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(Regd. Post) Prem Singh S/o Sh. Mehar Singh,

Asstt. Transport Officer (Retd.),

H. No. 914, Phase – 07, S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab) ... Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) **Public Information Officer**,

O/o The Secretary,

Regional Transport Authority, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,

Sector 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2129 of 2019

Present: Sh. Prem Singh, the appellant in person.

Sh. Shyam Lal, Assistant Transport Officer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 29.12.2018. First appeal is dated 15.03.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 20.06.2019.

Sh. Shyam Lal, Assistant Transport Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that a reply dated 06.10.2021 in the shape of an affidavit has been sent to the Commission, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Sh. Prem Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing states that he has not received the reply/affidavit dated 06.10.2021 as stated above, till date. He also intimates that deficiencies were pointed out to the respondent PIO vide a letter dated 28.09.2021, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 22038 dated 28.09.2021, which have not been removed till date. It is taken on record.

After going through the reply sent by the respondent, it emerges that reply/affidavit dated 06.10.2021 has been sent by the respondent PIO to the Commission only and not to the appellant, hence, directions are hereby given to the respondent PIO concerned to send the reply/affidavit to the appellant under intimation to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 2nd December, 2021(Thursday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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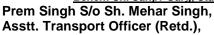
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H. No. 914, Phase - 07,

S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

... Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Secretary, (Regd. Post)

Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,

Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2131 of 2019

Sh. Prem Singh, the appellant in person. Present:

Sh. Munish Pabma, Section Officer-cum-PIO, in person.

ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 29.12.2018. First appeal is dated 22.02.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 20.06.2019

Sh. Munish Pabma, Section Officer-cum-PIO, who appeared in person, in today's hearing, states that a reply has been given to the appellant vide letter no. 6880 dated 08.10.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 6879 dated 08.10.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Prem Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO. He also states that he has not received the above-stated reply dated 08.10.2021 till date. He also intimates that deficiencies were pointed out to the respondent PIO vide a letter dated 21.09.2021, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 22040 dated 28.09.2021, which have not been removed till date. It is taken on record.

An opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 2nd December, 2021(Thursday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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Prem Singh S/o Sh. Mehar Singh, Asstt. Transport Officer (Retd.), H. No. 914, Phase - 07,

S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer. O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb., Sector 17, Chandigarh

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 184 of 2020

Sh. Prem Singh, the appellant in person. Present:

Sh. Gurbax Singh, Draftsman, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 27.03.2019. First appeal is dated 14.06.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 01.01.2020.

Sh. Gurbax Singh, Draftsman, who appeared on behalf of the respondent in today's hearing, states that a reply as status report has been given to the appellant vide letter no. 24829 dated 04.10.2021 through registered post. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 24830 dated 04.10.2021, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 22853 dated 08.10.2021. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Prem Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO. He also states that he has not received the above-stated reply dated 04.10.2021 till date. He also intimates that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date, moreover, at this stage (after more than two years), the respondent is intimating him that the information (sought by him) is with office of Secretary, Transport Authority Jalandhar.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information/reply/replies (which was/were already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 2nd December, 2021(Thursday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date: 11th October, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)

State Information Commissioner Punjab