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FINAL ORDER

Gurinderbir Singh,
S/o Darbara Singh,
Village Fazalpur, PO Mianwind,
Tehsil Kahdoor Sahib,
District Tarn Taran – 143 112

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd., Nagoke,
Tehsil Khadoor Sahib,
District Tarn Taran – 143 117

Complaint Case No. 104 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Complainant) Absent

Davinder Singh, SDO (for the Respondent) 96461-13092

Rajiv Kumar, Divisional Superintendent (for the Respondent) 98883-42357

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 29.10.2020, 16.12.2020, 12.2.2021, 30.9.2021, and 26.10.2021)

1. The complainant, **Gurinderbir Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **10.10.2019** and sought **information regarding installation of electricity poles**, from the PIO o/o **PSPCL, Tarn Taran**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **23.1.2020**. The case was last heard on **26.10.2021**.
2. At the last hearing on 26.10.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to submit copies of the information sent to the complainant, to this Commission. The respondent has complied vide Letter No. 4440 Dated 2.11.2021 along with a complete set of documents pertaining to points One to Nine of the RTI application. The respondent has also submitted a written explanation regarding the delay in addressing this RTI application. This Commission is inclined to condone the delay in view of the restrictions and difficulties owing to the ongoing pandemic.
3. There is no further cause for action and this Complaint Case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Tarundeep Monga,
S/o Late Sh. Om Prakash Monga,
668, Ekta Nagar,
District Ferozepur-152002

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o XEN, Punjab Mandi Board (C),
District Tarn Taran.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Superintendent Engineer,
Punjab Mandi Board,
District Amritsar.

Appeal Case No. 432 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Satnam Singh, Senior Assistant (for the Respondent) 98154-55778

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 10.11.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **9.6.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding agreements with contractors in 2018-19 and 2019-20**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **10.10.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **10.11.2021**.

2. At the last hearing on 10.11.2021, the appellant was granted an opportunity to examine the information (approximately 700 pages) sent to him vide Letter No. 676 Dated 21.10.2021. There has been no communication from the appellant since, which compels the conclusion that he is satisfied with the information supplied by the respondent PIO.

3. Under the circumstances, there is no further cause for action and this Appeal Case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Manjinder Kumar,
S/o Sh. Lachhman Singh,
120, Village Pensra, PO Majara Dingriyan,
Tehsil Garshankar, District Hoshiarpur – 146109

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Assistant Labour Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat,
Hoshiarpur.

Complaint Case No. 944 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Complainant) Absent

Vikas Kumar, PIO-cum-Assistant Labour Commissioner (Respondent) 95010-71855

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 19.2.2021 and 28.10.2021)

1. The complainant, **Manjinder Kumar**, filed this RTI application dated **6.11.2020** and sought information **regarding online registration of skilled labourers since January 2017; meetings of the Construction Labour Welfare Board; and construction workers who were given pensions on attaining the age of 60 years,** as enumerated in his RTI application, from the PIO o/o **Assistant Labour Commissioner, Hoshiarpur**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **10.12.2020**. The case was last heard on **28.10.2021**.

2. At the last hearing on 28.10.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to estimate the cost of copying the requested information. He has handed over said estimate at today's hearing. Meanwhile, in an email to the Commission on 9.2.2022, the complainant Manjinder Singh has informed the Commission that he has received the requested information in person on 9.2.2022 and is satisfied with it. The respondent PIO is directed to submit a written explanation for the delay in addressing this RTI application.

3. There is no further cause for action and this Complaint Case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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REVERT TO FAA

To

The FAA-cum-Chief Engineer (Technical),
Superintending Engineer,
Kandi Canal Circle,
District Hoshiarpur.

Davinder Singh Kohli,
S/o Sh. Uttam Singh Kohli,
3108, Phase-7,
Sector-61,
District Mohali.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Superintending Engineer,
Kandi Canal Circle,
District Hoshiarpur.

Complaint Case No. 1251 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Davinder Singh Kohli (Complainant) 93197-46660 (via Cisco Webex)
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The complainant, **Davinder Singh Kohli**, filed this RTI application dated **2.8.2021** and sought information **regarding Kandi Canal Circle Hoshiarpur**, as enumerated in his RTI application, from the PIO o/o **Superintendent Engineer, Kandi Canal Circle, Hoshiarpur**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **28.10.2021**. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **11.2.2022**.
2. The respondent PIO is absent. The complainant Davinder Singh Kohli, states that his essential purpose is to procure the information requested in his RTI application. This is a Complaint Case and the Commission is under no obligation to ensure the supply of information to the complainant. In view of the complainant's statement that he wishes to procure the information, this case is remanded back to the First Appellate Authority-cum-Superintending Engineer, Kandi Canal Circle, Hoshiarpur, with the direction to hear both parties before passing an appropriate order.
3. There is no further cause for action and this Complaint case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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REVERT TO FAA

To

The FAA-cum-Chief Engineer (Technical),
Superintending Engineer,
Kandi Canal Circle,
District Hoshiarpur.

Davinder Singh Kohli,
S/o Sh. Uttam Singh Kohli,
3108, Phase-7,
Sector-61,
District Mohali.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Superintending Engineer,
Kandi Canal Circle,
District Hoshiarpur.

Complaint Case No. 1252 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Davinder Singh Kohli (Complainant) 93197-46660 (via Cisco Webex)
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The complainant, **Davinder Singh Kohli**, filed this RTI application dated **8.7.2021** and sought information **regarding Kandi Canal Stage II**, as enumerated in his RTI application, from the PIO o/o **Superintendent Engineer, Kandi Canal Circle, Hoshiarpur**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **28.10.2021**. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **11.2.2022**.
2. The respondent PIO is absent. The complainant Davinder Singh Kohli, states that his essential purpose is to procure the information requested in his RTI application. This is a Complaint Case and the Commission is under no obligation to ensure the supply of information to the complainant. In view of the complainant's statement that he wishes to procure the information, this case is remanded back to the First Appellate Authority-cum-Superintending Engineer, Kandi Canal Circle, Hoshiarpur, with the direction to hear both parties before passing an appropriate order.
3. There is no further cause for action and this Complaint case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Taranjit Singh,
S/o Sh. Harminder Singh,
33, Adarsh Nagar Tarehti,
Post Office-Shahpurkandi,
Tehsil-Dharkalan,
District-Pathankot.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o XEN, Vigilance and Quality Assurance Division,
District Hoshiarpur.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o XEN, Vigilance and Quality Assurance Division,
District Hoshiarpur.

Appeal Case No. 3867 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Taranjit Singh (Appellant) 97819-48678
Davinder Singh, PIO-cum-XEN (Respondent) 81468-18685
Pankaj Bali, APIO-cum-Sub Divisional Officer (for the Respondent) 97797-16155

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **21.4.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding a complaint Dated 31.10.2020**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.5.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **27.8.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **11.2.2022**.
2. Both parties are present. As per a submission made by the respondent PIO-cum-XEN vide Letter No. 05/RTI Dated 5.1.2022, the complaint cited in the RTI application is still under process, hence the requested information was denied as per the Section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act 2005.
3. This Appeal Case is herewith **CLOSED** with a recommendation to the respondent that the inquiry arising from the cited complaint be expedited. The respondent is further directed to provide the information requested in the RTI application, to the appellant as soon as said process/enquiry is complete.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Rakesh Kumar Gupta,
S/o Prem Parkash Gupta,
7, Sukh Enclave, New Officers Colony,
Patiala – 147 001

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB),
Regional Office, 2nd Floor, Near Water Tank,
G.T. Road, Amritsar By-Pass, Industrial Focal Point,
District Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Senior Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB),
Zonal Office, Industrial Focal Point, Near Water Tank,
G.T. Road, Amritsar By-Pass,
District Jalandhar

Appeal Case No. 1530 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Varun Kumar, JE From RO-1 (for the Respondent) 70879-82522

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **23.12.2020, 26.2.2021, and 29.10.2021**)*

1. The RTI application is dated **11.2.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding various categories of industries and the status of their consent to operate as per the Water Act 1974 and Air Act 1981, within the jurisdiction of jurisdiction of PPCB's Regional Office at Jalandhar,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **16.3.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.6.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **29.10.2021**.

2. At the last hearing on 29.10.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to file a pointwise reply to this RTI application within 15 days of receipt of that Order. He has failed to comply. The respondent PIO is given one final opportunity to comply with this Commission's directions at para Three of the Order of 29.10.2021. Meanwhile, in an email received from the appellant on 8.2.2022, he has submitted that he is not keeping well and does not wish to pursue this case any further.

3. In view of the appellant's request, this Appeal Case is herewith **CLOSED** with the direction to the respondent PIO once again to comply with the Commission's order of 29.10.2021.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Rakesh Kumar Gupta,
S/o Prem Parkash Gupta,
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Patiala – 147 001

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB),
Regional Office, 2nd Floor, Near Water Tank,
G.T. Road, Amritsar By-Pass, Industrial Focal Point,
District Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Senior Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB),
Zonal Office, Industrial Focal Point, Near Water Tank,
G.T. Road, Amritsar By-Pass,
District Jalandhar

Appeal Case No. 1882 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Varun Kumar, JE From RO-1 (for the Respondent) 70879-82522

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **23.12.2020, 26.2.2021, and 29.10.2021**)*

1. The RTI application is dated **18.2.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding conversion of brick kilns to induced draft technology, within the jurisdiction of PPCB's regional office Jalandhar,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **20.5.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **14.7.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **29.10.2021**.
2. At the last hearing on 29.10.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to file a point-wise reply to this RTI application within 15 days of receipt of that Order, but he has failed to comply. The respondent PIO is given one final opportunity to comply with this Commission's direction at para Three of its Order of 29.10.2021. Meanwhile, in an email received from the appellant on 8.2.2022, he has submitted that he is not keeping well and does not wishes to pursue this case any further.
3. In view of the appellant's request, this Appeal Case is herewith **CLOSED** with the direction to the respondent PIO once again to comply with the Commission's order of 29.10.2021.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

R.C. Tandon,
146, Urban Estate, PO Chachoki,
Phagwara.District Jalandhar.

Versus
Public Information Officer,
o/o Jalandhar Development Authority,
Jalandhar.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Estate Officer,
Jalandhar Development Authority,
Jalandhar.

Appeal Case No. 2631 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **25.3.2021, 23.6.2021, and 29.10.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **7.2.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding his own plot No. 481 at University View Estate-3, Chaheru,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **6.7.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **14.9.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **29.10.2021**.

2. Both parties are absent. At the last hearing on 29.10.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to submit a notarised affidavit stating that all the information pertaining to this RTI application has been supplied to the appellant and there is no other information available. The respondent PIO has submitted said affidavit dated 6.1.2022, in compliance with this Commission's direction.

3. In view of the above, there is no further cause for action and this Appeal Case is herewith **CLOSED.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

R.C.Tandon,
146, Urban Estate, PO Chachoki,
Phagwara. District Jalandhar.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Jalandhar Development Authority,
Jalandhar.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Estate Officer,
Jalandhar Development Authority,
Jalandhar.

Appeal Case No. 2633 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **25.3.2021, 23.6.2021, and 29.10.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **23.10.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Technical Committee constituted by ACA, JDA Jalandhar vide Order No.1017-1024 for measuring existing building of Bahra Hospital, U.E. Phagwara,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.1.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **14.9.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **29.10.2021**.

2. Both parties are absent. At the last hearing on 29.10.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to submit a duly notarised affidavit stating that there is no other information other than already given to appellant, in his official record. The PIO has submitted said affidavit dated 13.12.2021.

3. In view of the above, there is no further cause for action and this Appeal Case is herewith **CLOSED.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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