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(Regd. Post) Sh. Rakesh Sharma (98884-01973)
R/o 182/12, Main Bazar, Katra Parja,
I/s Hathi Gate, Amritsar

Appellant

Versus

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer
O/o Nagar Nigam, Ranjit Avenue,
Amritsar

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, Nagar Nigam,
Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 3298 of 2018

Present: Sh. Rakesh Sharma, the appellant in person.
Nobody on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 29.04.2019.
2. Appellant, Sh. Rakesh Sharma states that requisite information is still pending from the respondent PIO. He added that he is not called for inspection as per the previous order of the Commission dated 06.02.2019.
3. Neither the respondent PIO is present for today's hearing nor did he file any reply in this regard.
4. After hearing the appellant and examining the case file, it is observed that on the first hearing held on 02.01.2019, respondent PIO was absent without any intimation to the Commission. Another opportunity was given to him to represent this case and matter was adjourned for further hearing on 06.02.2019.
5. On hearing held on 06.02.2019, respondent PIO was absent second time without any intimation to the Commission. Last opportunity was given to him to represent this case along with directions to coordinate with the appellant and invite the appellant for the inspection of the official record. He was also directed to supply the information to the appellant and matter was adjourned for further hearing on 18.03.2019.
6. On hearing held on 18.03.2019, respondent PIO was absent consecutively third time without any intimation to the Commission. **Show Cause notice** was issued to him by name and copy of order along with RTI application was sent to him through registered post. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 29.04.2019.
7. On hearing held on 29.04.2019, respondent PIO was absent consecutively **fourth time** without any intimation to the Commission. It was observed that after giving various opportunities, requisite information has not been supplied to the appellant. Due to evasive attitude of the respondent PIO concerned, the appellant has suffered a lot of detriments for not getting the requisite information and **compensation amounting Rs. 1,500/-** was awarded to the appellant.

8. One more opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to comply with the previous orders (06.02.2019 and 18.03.2019) of the Commission along with directions to appear in person on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case. A copy of this order was sent to him through registered post for his ready reference. A copy of this order was also sent to the Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar to comply of this order along with advice to take the disciplinary action if it deemed fit so. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 12.06.2019 i.e. today but the respondent PIO failed to represent this case after giving various opportunities.

9. In view of the defying attitude of the respondent PIO neither attending the court nor submitting any explanation for the delay in supplying the information within the time schedule as prescribed under the RTI Act 2005, the court comes to a logical conclusion that it is a fit case for the imposition of penalty amounting to Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five thousand only) on the PIO. Therefore, taking a lenient view, I impose a penalty of **Rs. 10,000/- (Rs. Ten Thousand Only) on the concerned respondent PIO, Office of Nagar Nigam, Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar.** The Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the office of the Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 10,000/- from the salary of the concerned respondent PIO and deposited in the State Treasury in the following Head of Account and to report its compliance to the Commission:-

“0070-Other Administrative Services

60 other Services

800-Other Receipts

86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005”

10. The perusal of the file also shows that respondent PIO has no regard for the Notice and Orders issued by the Commission. A copy of this order be sent to him by name through **registered post** for his ready reference.

11. A copy of the this order be sent to the Commissioner, Nagar Nigam, Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar by name through registered post for the compliance of this order.

12. To come up on **24.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties through **registered post.**

13. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
12.06.2019**

**(Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)
State Information Commissioner**

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Amritsar

(Regd. Post) The Commissioner (By Name)
O/o Nagar Nigam,
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I/s Hathi Gate, Amritsar

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Director, Local Govt. Department,
Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 3,
Sector- 35 A, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director, Local Govt. Department,
Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 3,
Sector- 35 A, Chandigarh

Public Information Officer
O/o Nagar Nigam, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority
O/o Nagar Nigam, Amritsar

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 3299 of 2018

Date of Institution: 27.09.2018

Date of Decision: 12.06.2019

Present: Sh. Rakesh Sharma, the appellant in person.
For the respondent: Ms. Harkiran Kaur (ATP) along with Sh. D.P. Verma (SA)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 29.04.2019.
2. Respondent, Ms. Harkiran Kaur handed over compensation cheque amounting Rs. 1,500/- which was awarded to the appellant vide order dated 29.04.2019. She submits a reply vide letter no. 579 dated 11.06.2019 signed by Municipal Town Planner, MC, Amritsar along with copy of cheque, which is taken on record.
3. Appellant, Sh. Rakesh Sharma is present for today's hearing.
4. After hearing the respondent and going through the documents placed on record, it is found that supplied reply is satisfactory and no further cause of action is required in this case. Therefore, the instant appeal case is **disposed of & closed**.
5. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Amar Dass Mann (80544-11287)
S/o Sh. Sampooran Singh,
R/o Village Dharpura, Tehsil Abohar,
District Fazilka.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Principal, GSSS Dharampura,
Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DEO (SE), Fazilka.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 607 of 2019

Present: Sh. Amar Dass Maan, the appellant in person.
For the respondent: Sh. Sudhir Kumar (Computer Faculty)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Appellant, Sh. Amar Dass Maan states that he is not satisfied with the supplied reply in connection with point no. 3, 5, 8 and 9 of the RTI application.
3. Respondent, Sh. Sudhir Kumar states that reply/information has already been supplied to the appellant as per the queries raised by the appellant.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to supply the reply relates with point no. 3, 5, 8 and 9 to the appellant as per the queries raised by him in RTI application before the next date of hearing.
5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis.
6. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **22.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
7. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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(Regd. Post) **Sh. Makhan Singh (85283-00005),**
S/o Sh. Thakur Singh, R/o 13-M,
Green Avenue, Amritsar.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o MC, Amritsar.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 239 of 2019

Present: Nobody on behalf of the complainant.
For the respondent: Sh. Dinesh Kumar (Building Inspector) (8054008673)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Respondent, Sh. Dinesh Kumar states that reply has already been supplied to the complainant in connection with RTI application. He submits a reply dated 12.06.2019 signed by APIO-Cum-Building Inspector, Nagar Nigam, Amritsar along with supporting documents, which is taken on record.
3. Neither the complainant is present for today's hearing nor did he file any reply in this regard.
4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to file an **affidavit** as per the queries raised by the complainant in his RTI application on the next date of hearing.
5. A last and final opportunity is given to the complainant to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis. A copy of this order be sent to him through **registered post**.
6. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **22.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
7. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Ranvir Singh (98724-02354)
S/o Sh. Sukhdev Singh, H. No. 25,
St. No. 19, Bhakhra Enclave, Patiala.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o DEO (SE), Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DEO (SE), Sangrur.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 622 of 2019

Present: Nobody present.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Appellant, Sh. Ranvir Singh is not present for today's hearing but an email dated 12.06.2019 has been received by the bench of undersigned from email ID saraoranvir@gmail.com stating that he is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment. This mail is taken on record.
3. Neither the respondent PIO is present for today's hearing nor did he file any reply in this regard.
4. A last and final opportunity is given to both the parties are advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis.
5. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **24.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
6. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Suresh Kumar Angrish (84274-24634)

S/o Sh. Sukhdev Singh, H. No. 25,
St. No. 19, Bhakhra Enclave, Patiala.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Principal Secretary,
Education Secretary (Schools),
Punjab Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Principal Secretary,
Education Secretary (Schools),
Punjab Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 634 of 2019

Date of Institution: 06.02.2019

Date of Decision: 11.06.2019

Present: Sh. Darshan Singh Kang on behalf of the appellant.
For the respondent: Sh. Ajit Singh (SA).

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Representative of the appellant, Sh. Darshan Singh Kang states that requisite information is still pending from the respondent PIO.
3. Respondent, Sh. Ajit Singh states that requisite information is under inquiry and cannot be supplied to the appellant at present. He added that inquiry will be completed in three months. He handed over a reply signed by him dated 12.06.2019 to the appellant, during the hearing. A copy of the same is taken on record.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, it is observed that requisite information at present cannot be supplied to the appellant till the inquiry process is going on. No cause of action is left in this case at present. Therefore, the instant appeal case is **disposed of & closed** with the directions to the respondent PIO to supply the requisite information once it had completed within three months as respondent, Sh. Ajit Singh intimated the Commission,
5. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Mukesh Kumar (98150-80521)
S/o Sh. Manohar Lal, Computer 'N' Care,
C/o Sonu Guest House,
Opp. Onkar Cinema, Nurmahal Road,
Nakodar -144040.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o DPI (SE), Mohali, Punjab.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DGSE, Punjab.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 638 of 2019

Present: Sh. Ajay Puri on behalf of the appellant.
For the respondent: Sh. Gurpreet Singh (SA).

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Representative of the appellant, Sh. Ajay Puri states that requisite information relates with point no. 3 and 4 is still pending from the respondent PIO.
3. Respondent, Sh. Gurpreet Singh states that requisite information relates with DEO office as station allotment is done at the DEO level. He added that consolidated information is not available in the official record and reply has already been sent to the appellant.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, it is observed that requisite information relates with point no. 3 and 4 is voluminous in nature. Representative of the appellant, Sh. Ajay Puri is advised to specify the particular required information.
5. On this, representative of the appellant, Sh. Ajay Puri states that information relates with Jalandhar and Kapurthala is required and requested to be supplied.
6. Respondent PIO is directed to collect the information relates with Jalandhar and Kapurthala in connection with point no. 3 and 4 to the appellant before the next date of hearing positively.
7. Both the parties are advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis.
8. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **24.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
9. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Advocate Parminder Singh
S/o Joginder Singh, # 730,
VPO Dahoka, Jalandhar (82641-00002).

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o MC, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority
O/o MC, Jalandhar.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 651 of 2019

Present: Sh. Simranjit Singh on behalf of the appellant.
For the respondent: Sh. Dinesh Joshi (Building Inspector).

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Respondent, Sh. Dinesh Joshi states that requisite information cannot be supplied to the appellant as it relate with third party and third party denied disclosing his information.
3. On this, representative of the appellant, Sh. Simranjit Singh states that as per the rules site plan should be displayed. He submits a copy of an order passed by the Hon'ble Chief Justice, Krishna Murari and Judge, Arun Palli, in CWP-(PIL)-110-2019 (O & M) dated 15.05.2019. He also submits a copy of an order passed by the Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal Nos. 9064-9065 of 2018 passed by Hon'ble Justice, Kurian Joseph and Sanjay Kishan Kaul dated 27th September, 2018, which is taken on record. He also handed over copy of both orders to the respondent during the hearing.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to file a proper reply on the next date of hearing as per the queries raised by the appellant in his RTI application to put before the Commission.
5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis.
6. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **24.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
7. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Advocate Parminder Singh
S/o Joginder Singh, # 730,
VPO Dahoka, Jalandhar (82641-00002).

Versus

Appellant

Public Information Officer
O/o MC, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority
O/o MC, Jalandhar.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 652 of 2019

Present: Sh. Simranjit Singh on behalf of the appellant.
Nobody on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Representative of the appellant, Sh. Simranjit Singh states that requisite information is still pending from the respondent PIO.
3. Respondent PIO is not present for today's hearing but an email dated 12.06.2019 has been received from the PIO, MC, Jalandhar stating that he is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment. This mail is taken on record.
4. After hearing the appellant and examining the case file, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to represent this case on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case.
5. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **24.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
6. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Advocate Parminder Singh
S/o Joginder Singh, # 730,
VPO Dahoka, Jalandhar (82641-00002).

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o MC, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority
O/o MC, Jalandhar.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 654 of 2019

Present: Sh. Simranjit Singh on behalf of the appellant.
For the respondent: Sh. Dinesh Joshi (Building Inspector).

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Respondent, Sh. Dinesh Joshi states that matter is same as in Appeal Case No. 651 of 2019.
3. Representative of the appellant, Sh. Simranjit Singh is present for today's hearing.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to file a proper reply on the next date of hearing as per the queries raised by the appellant in his RTI application to put before the Commission.
5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis.
6. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **24.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
7. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Amar Dass Mann (80544-11287)
S/o Sh. Sampooran Singh,
R/o Village Dharpura, Tehsil Abohar,
District Fazilka.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Principal, GSSS Dharampura,
Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DEO (SE), Fazilka.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 685 of 2019

Date of Institution: 13.02.2019

Date of Decision: 11.06.2019

Present: Sh. Amar Dass Mann, the appellant in person.
For the respondent: Sh. Sudhir Kumar (Computer Faculty)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Respondent, Sh. Sudhir Kumar states that requisite information comprising 551 pages has already been supplied to the appellant.
3. On this, appellant, Sh. Amar Dass Mann states that he is satisfied with the supplied information and has no objection to close this case.
4. In wake of above, no further cause of action is required in this case. Therefore, the instant appeal case is **disposed of & closed**.
5. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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S/o Sh. Sampooran Singh,
R/o Village Dharpura, Tehsil Abohar,
District Fazilka.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Principal, GSSS Dharampura,
Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DEO (SE), Fazilka.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 690 of 2019

Date of Institution: 13.02.2019

Date of Decision: 11.06.2019

Present: Sh. Amar Dass Mann, the appellant in person.
For the respondent: Sh. Sudhir Kumar (Computer Faculty)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.04.2019.
2. Respondent, Sh. Sudhir Kumar states that requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.
3. On this, appellant, Sh. Amar Dass Mann states that photographs are still pending from the respondent PIO.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, appellant is directed to visit the concerned school to inspect the location of cameras and respondent PIO is directed to make sure that appellant inspected the cameras locations as per the point no. 2 of the RTI application.
5. On the assurance of the respondent, no further cause of action is required in this case. Therefore, the instant appeal case is **disposed of & closed**.
6. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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District Fazilka.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Principal, GSSS Dharampura,
Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DEO (SE), Fazilka.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 691 of 2019

Present: Sh. Amar Dass Maan, the appellant in person.
For the respondent: Sh. Sudhir Kumar (Computer Faculty)

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.042019.
2. Appellant, Sh. Amar Dass Mann states that requisite information is still pending from the respondent PIO.
3. Respondent, Sh. Sudhir Kumar states that requisite information relates with the Office of D.P.I.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to collect the requisite information from the concerned office and supply it to the appellant before the next date of hearing positively.
5. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **22.07.2019 at 11:00 A.M.**
6. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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