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Shri Raj Kumar, S/o Shri Hans Raj, Ward No.9, Near Police Station Ghagga, Tehsil Patran, Distt. Patiala.

......Complainant.

(Regd.) Public Information Officer, O/o BDPO, Patran,

Distt. Patiala.Respondent

Complaint Case No. 913 of 2020

Vs

Present:- Shri Raj Kumar, complainant/applicant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Patran, Distt. Patiala.

ORDER

Dated: 12.05.2021

Shri Raj Kumar, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 28.06.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Patran, Distt. Patiala.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 25.02.2021. The complainant-applicant was present on that date, but none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO. The complainant/applicant stated that no information has been provided to him by the SPIO, whereas a period of more than one and half year has been passed. So, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the SPIO-cum-BDPO, Patran, Distt. Patiala and he was directed to file reply to the show cause notice.

But today again the SPIO is absent and neither he has sent any reply to the show cause notice nor he has sent any compliance regarding the reply to the complaint filed by the complainant-applicant. He has not complied with the order of the Commission.

So, I am of the view that the conduct of the PIO is not fair. He has not bothered about his duty and has not provided the information to the complainant-applicant whereas a period of about 2 years has been passed. So, I imposed a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- upon the SPIO-cum-BDPO, Patran, Distt. Patiala, who was originally posted at Patran when the RTI application was filed on 28.06.2019. The amount of penalty be deducted from his salary and be deposited in the following heads and compliance report be sent back to the Commission:-

" Major Head 0070-Other Administrative Services

Sub Major Head 60-Other Services
Minor Head 800-Other Receipts

Sub Head 86-Right to Information Act, 2005."

A copy of order be sent to the DDPO, Patiala for compliance of the order.

Now the case will be heard on **06.07.2021 at 11.30 AM** through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783)** for compliance of the orders.

(Avtar Singh Kaler)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab

(Regd.) CC: DDPO, Patiala. - for compliance of the Order of the Commission.

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Shri Juj Singh, S/o Shri Kashmir Singh, R/o Village Kharajpur, Tehsil Rajpura, Distt. Patiala.

......Complainant.

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Public Information Officer, O/o BDPO, Rajpura, Distt. Patiala.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 922 of 2020

Present:-

Shri Juj Singh, complainant/applicant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Rajpura, Distt. Patiala.

ORDER

Shri Judge Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 06.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Rajpura, Distt. Patiala.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Facility.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the order dated 25.02.2021 and on that date both the parties were present. The respondent stated that the complainant/applicant was asked to deposit the requisite fee of Rs.5,530/- with the office of the SPIO, but the same was not deposited by the applicant till date.

The appellant though is absent today, but he has informed telephonically that he has not received any information from the office of the PIO.

On the other hand the respondent also stated telephonically that the complainant-applicant has still not deposited the requisite fee of Rs. 5,530/-.

So, the appellant is directed that he should deposit the amount of Rs. 5,530/- as assessed fee with the office of the PIO within a week and the PIO is further directed to provide the attested copies of information to the appellant within a week from the deposit of assessed fee by the appellant and send compliance to the Commission accordingly.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on 23.06.2021 at 11:30 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783).

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Dated: 12.05.2021

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Shri Jang Bahadur, S/o Shri Jai Chand, R/o Mandi Aminganj, Rorhan wali, Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

.....Appellant.

Public Information Officer, O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Mandi Amin Ganj, Distt. Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority:

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,

Fazilka.Respondent

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Appeal Case No. 3928 of 2020

Present:- Shri Jang Bahadur, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the respondent PIO .

ORDER

Dated: 12.05.2021

Shri Jang Bahadur, appellant filed RTI application dated 28.07.2020 before the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Jalalabad. The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the PIO, O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Mandi Amin Ganj, Distt. Fazilka vide letter no.1880 dated 07.09.2020.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Facility. The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the respondent PIO.

The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the PIO.

The PIO is absent today and neither he has provided the sought for information to the appellant. The conduct of the PIO is not fair which shows denial of information and defiance of the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

So, a Show Cause Notice is issued to Shri Chander Bhan, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Mandi Amin Ganj, Distt. Fazilka that why he has not provided the sought for information to the appellant within the stipulated period and so why he may not be penalized under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is directed to file reply to the show cause notice and send the same to the Commission at least one week before the next date of hearing and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the next date of hearing. In case he 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 provide the attested copies of sought for information to the appellant within 10 days and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on 23.06.2021 at 11:30 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783).

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Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, C/o Police Public Dairy, 15-A, Shastri Nagar, Model Town, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant.

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Public Information Officer, O/o SMO, Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority: O/o Civil Surgeon, Gurdaspur.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3095 of 2020

Present:- Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o SMO, Gurdaspur.

ORDER

Dated: 12.05.2021

Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.05.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o SMO, Gurdaspur.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Facility.

Both the parties are absent today.

The appellant though is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission that he is unable to attend the hearing for today due to death of a family member and requested for adjournment.

The respondent is also absent today and neither he has sent any intimation to the Commission.

So, the SPIO O/o SMO, Gurdaspur is directed that the attested copies of information regarding the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant, be sent to him through registered post within 10 days and compliance be sent to the Commission. IN case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on 23.06.2021 at 11:30 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783).

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Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, C/o Police Public Dairy, 15-A, Shastri Nagar, Model Town, Ludhiana.

......Appellant.

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority: O/o Deputy Director, Health & Family Welfare, PB. Sector-34, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3097 of 2020

Present:- Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar.

ORDER

Dated: 12.05.2021

Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.05.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Facility.

Both the parties are absent today.

The appellant though is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission that he is unable to attend the hearing for today due to death of a family member and requested for adjournment.

The respondent is also absent today and neither he has sent any intimation to the Commission.

So, the SPIO O/o Civil Surgeon, Jalandhar is directed that the attested copies of information regarding the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant, be sent to him through registered post within 10 days and compliance be sent to the Commission. IN case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on 23.06.2021 at 11:30 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783).

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Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, C/o Police Public Dairy, 15-A, Shastri Nagar, Model Town, Ludhiana.

......Appellant.

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Public Information Officer, O/o SMO, Mukerian.

First Appellate Authority: O/o Civil Surgeon, Hoshiarpur.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3098 of 2020

Present:- Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the PIO, O/o SMO, Mukerian.

ORDER

Dated: 12.05.2021

Shri Nitin Kumar Garg, appellant filed RTI application dated 25.05.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o SMO, Mukerian.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Facility.

Both the parties are absent today.

The appellant though is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission that he is unable to attend the hearing for today due to death of a family member and requested for adjournment.

The respondent is also absent today and neither he has sent any intimation to the Commission. .

So, the PIO is directed that the attested copies of information as was sought by the appellant through his RTI application dated 25.05.2020, be sent to him through registered post within 10 days and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, Show Cause Notice will be issued to the PIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on 23.06.2021 at 11:30 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783).