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Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Rajinder Singh S/o Sh. Om Kumar,

V.P.O. – Kot Fatuhi, Tehsil – Garhshankar,

**District Hoshiarpur - 145519 (Punjab)** 

....Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer
O/o The Executive Engineer
PWD (B & R), Punjab,
Provincial Division, 17 Bays Building,
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Sector 17, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Superintending Engineer,
PWD (B & R), Punjab,
Construction Circle, 17 Bays Building,
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondent

### Appeal Case No. 2207 of 2020

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

i) Sh. Ranjit Singh, S. D. O.;

ii) Sh. Rajinder Singh, Superintendent, for the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

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

The RTI request is 20.5.2020. First appeal is dated 22.06.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.08.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021, due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 12.01.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to supply the requisite information to the appellant and the appellant was advised to confirm whether he received the information and also point out deficiencies in the information supplied to him.

The appellant, Sh. Rajinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Sh. Ranjit Singh, S.D.O., who appeared with Sh. Rajinder Singh, Superintendent in today's hearing, states that the information sought through RTI request is voluminous in nature and the appellant is appellant can visit the office of the respondent to identify the required information to collect the same.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 19.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M., if required, on 20.07.2021 also at 11:00 A. M. to identify the required information .

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of the information, which would be identified by appellant during his visit, to him under intimation to the Commission, failing which action would be initiated against him under provisions of the RTI Act.

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the required information or not, by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> <u>hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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## **PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION** RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH

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Krishan Kumar Singla, House Number 195/2, Sector 45-A, Chandigarh

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer** i) O/o The Divisional Forest Officer (Wildlife), Roopnagar(Punjab)

ii) **Public Information Officer** O/o The Divisional Forest Officer, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority O/o The Chief Conservator of Forests, Punjab, Punjab Forest Complex, Sector - 68, S.A.S Nagar Mohali(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 967 of 2020

Present: Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla, the appellant in person.

Sh. Amit Chauhan, Divisional Forest Officer, S.A.S Nagar, in person.

ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 07.11.2019. First appeal is dated 12.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 02.03.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021, due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 12.01.2021, Divisional Forest Officer, S.A.S Nagar, was directed to supply the remaining information(which relates to his office) to appellant. The appellant was advised to confirm whether he received the information.

The appellant, Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has received the required information from the office of Divisional Forest Officer, Roopnagar and the required information from the office of Divisional Forest Officer, S.A.S Nagar is still pending.

Sh. Amit Chauhan, Divisional Forest Officer, S.A.S Nagar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the information to be provided is ready to supply and he can collect the same from the office of the respondent.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO today itself i. e. 12.07.2021 at 03:00 P. M. to collect the required information .

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of the information, to the appellant during his visit, to him under intimation to the Commission, failing which action would be initiated against him under provisions of the RTI Act.

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the required information. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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...Appellant

**Public Information Officer** O/o The District Manager, **Punjab State Warehousing Corporation,** Bank of Baroda Building, The Mall, Ferozepur (Punjab)

**First Appellate Authority** O/o The District Manager, Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Ferozepur(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2425 of 2020

V/s.

None on behalf of the appellant. Present:

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Date: 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2021

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

The RTI request is dated 08.05.2020. First appeal is dated 25.06.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 02.09.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021, due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 12.01.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to supply the requisite information, after removing the deficiencies, pointed out by the appellant to him or file a reply, in writing, to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. The appellant was advised to confirm whether he received the information.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Kamal Dev nor the respondent is present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the appellant through a letter dated 06.04.2021, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 8592 dated 16.04.2021, has pointed out certain deficiencies in the information already supplied, intimating that information at point no. 01 and 02 is still pending. It is taken on record.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies, which have been pointed out by the appellant through letter dated 06.04.2021, to him by registered post with a copy to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not.

An opportunity is also given to the both the parties (appellant and respondent) to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The case is adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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**Surinder Mittal** 

# 302, Shaheed Udham Singh Nagar

Phagwara - 144402 (Punjab)

...Appellant

Public Information Officer O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Phagwara, Distt. Kapurthala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Phagwara, Distt. - Kapurthala(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 930 of 2020

V/s.

Present: Sh. Surinder Mittal, the appellant in person.

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

ORDER

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

The RTI request is dated 06.06.2019. First appeal is dated 26.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 27.02.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021, due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 12.01.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to file a reply, in writing, regarding sealing of shops and an order to sealing and desealing of shops of Rajinder Singh Gogna and further action taken on the same, to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. The appellant was advised to confirm whether he received the reply/information.

Sh. Ajit Singh, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 157 dated 12.01.2021, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1949 dated 27.01.2021. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Surinder Mittal, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO as only an office-order to seal and deseal the shops but not mentioned the eleven shops which were sealed and desealed.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to provide list of eleven shops, which were sealed on the property belonging to Sh. Rajinder Singh Gogna with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be sent to him by the respondent PIO, or not

The case is <u>adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Rann Singh S/o Sh. Amar Singh,

H. No. 40, Street No. 01,

Near Guru Nanak Public School,

Jagtar Nagar, Patiala - 147003(Punjab)

....Appellant

**Public Information Officer**,

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

Devigarh Division, (I. B.),

Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Superintending Engineer,

Bhakra Main Line,

Circle Patiala(Punjab)

...Respondents

## Appeal Case No. 790 of 2020

V/s

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

None on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER** 

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

The RTI request is dated 08.11.2019. First appeal is dated 18.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.02.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021, due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 10.02.2021,

- i) The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 623-24 dated 01.02.2021 had intimated the Commission that the requisite information was supplied to the appellant through registered post.
- ii) The appellant intimated that information supplied to him by the respondent PIO is not as per queries raised by him through RTI request as he has demanded action taken report on letter no. 1357 dated 02.09.2019 and the information given is irrelevant.
- iii) As the respondent PIO through letter no. 623-24 dated 01.02.2021 had only sent forwarding letter of the reply with a copy of postal receipt but not sent copy of the information (which was supplied to the appellant), hence, directions were given to send a copy of the information (already supplied to the appellant) to the Commission with the direction to send the complete information as demanded through RTI request i. e. action taken report on letter no. 1357 dated 02.09.2019 to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.
- iv) An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not.
- As the requisite information was not supplied by the respondent PIO to the information v) seeker, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Executive Engineer, Devigarh Division, (I. B.), Patiala, under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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The appellant, Sh. Rann Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that information supplied to him by the respondent PIO is not as per queries raised by him through RTI request as he has demanded action taken report on letter no. 1357 dated 02.09.2019 and the information given is irrelevant.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 1897-98 dated 15.04.2021 signed by PIO-cum-Executive Engineer, Devigarh Division, (I. B.), Patiala, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 8826 dated 15.04.2021, has intimated the Commission that a reply has already been given to the appellant through registered post vide letter no. 1896 dated 15.04.2021, intimating him (the appellant) that the information sought through RTI request is very old and efforts are being made to trace the official record and whenever, action would be completed appellant would be intimated. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative was present on the last hearing, held in this case, held on 10.02.2021. He is again absent from today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission. Moreover, four months has been passed, neither he has sent any action taken report nor the requisite information has been supplied to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 10.02.2021.

For making delay in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, a penalty of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only) is imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer office of Executive Engineer, Devigarh Division, (I. B.), Patiala. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

The amount of penalty will be deposited in the treasury of Punjab Government under the head.....

Major Head ... 0070 -Other Administrative Services

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

Sub-Head .. 86 - Fee under the Right to Information Act, 2005

Detailed Head ... 0070 Other Administrative Services 60 Other Services- 800- Other Receipts-

86- Fees under the Right to Information Act, 2005

And a copy of challan receipt be sent to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

The respondent PIO is also directed to send the complete information as demanded through RTI request i. e. action taken report on letter no. 1357 dated 02.09.2019 to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. He is also directed to represent this case in person on the next date fixed for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The case is <u>adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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Amandeep Singh Gill S/o Sh. Nirmal Singh Gill, Street No. 15, Peeru Banda, Salem Tibri, Ludhiana-141008(Punjab)

...Complainant

V/s.

- i) Public Information Officer,
   O/o Block Development and
   Panchayat Officer,
   Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur(Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,
  O/o Village Development Officer (V.D.O.),
  O/o Gram Panchayat,
  Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd,
  Distt. Ferozepur(Punjab)

...Respondents

## Complaint Case No. 450 of 2019

Present: None on behalf of the complainant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

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

The RTI request is dated 10.01.2019. The compliant has been received in the Commission on 13.05.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021,

- i) Due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 10.02.2021, an opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which was supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He was also advised 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.
- ii) Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent-PIOs concerned i. e. i) PIO of office of B.D.P.O., Block Ghal Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur and ii) PIO of office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur, to comply with the orders dated 16.11.2020 passed by the Commission by depositing penalty of Rs. 10000/- (penalty already imposed Rs. 5000/- (vide orders dated 07.07.2020) + enhanced (announced today) Rs. 5000/- = Rs. 10,000/-) into the Government Treasury and a copy of challan receipt be sent to the Commission.

Neither the complainant, Sh. Amandeep Singh Gill nor the respondent is present in today's hearing. They have also not sent any intimation regarding their non-availability

As none of the PIOs came present personally from offices of B.D.P.O., Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur and PIO office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur, in today's hearing. They have also not sent any document showing that penalty amount, which was imposed upon them vide order dated 07.07.2020 and 16.11.2020, is deposited.

Nevertheless, last and final opportunity is given to the respondent-PlOs concerned i. e. i) PlO of office of B.D.P.O., Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur and ii) PlO of office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur, to comply with the orders dated 16.11.2020 passed by the Commission by depositing penalty of Rs. 10000/- (penalty already imposed Rs. 5000/- (vide orders dated 07.07.2020) + enhanced (announced today) Rs. 5000/- = Rs. 10,000/-) into the Government Treasury and a copy of challan receipt be sent to the Commission by the next date of hearing to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with. A copy of this order also be sent to them through registered post with the directions to send challan-receipt, showing that penalty amount, which was imposed upon them vide order dated 07.07.2020 and enhanced vide orders dated 16.11.2020, is deposited, by the next date of hearing positively.

A copy of this order be sent alongwith a copy of orders dated 07.07.2020 and 16.11.2020 to Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Officer, S. A. S. Nagar and District Development Officer, Ferozepur through registered post with the advice to ensure compliance of the above announced order and earlier announced orders dated 07.07.2020 and 16.11.2020.

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i) The Director,

(Regd. Post) Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,

Encl: Order dated 07.07.2020 Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,

Order dated 16.11.2020 S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

ii) Public Information Officer,
(Regd. Post) O/o District Development and
Encl: Order dated 07.07.2020 Panchayat Officer,
Order dated 16.11.2020 Ferozepur(Punjab)

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Chamber No. 427, District Court Complex,

Sangrur (Punjab)

....Appellant

**Public Information Officer,** 

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,

Sector -17, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,

Sector -17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 143 of 2020

V/s

Present: Sh. Ravi Jindal, Advocate, the appellant in person.

Sh. Gurbaksh Singh, Draftsman-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER** 

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

The RTI request is dated 20.07.2019. First appeal is dated 05.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 30.12.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021,

- i) Due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 10.02.2021, the appellant stated that he had received the information but not as pr queries raised by him through RTI request.
- ii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 25.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.
- The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record to identify the information and also directed to supply the required information to the appellant, which would be identified by him after inspection.
- IV) An opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Sh. Gurbaksh Singh, Draftsman-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, intimates the Commission that the appellant did not visit the office of the respondent to inspect the relevant official record to identify the information.

The appellant, Sh. Ravi Jindal, Advocate, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he could not visit the office of the respondent to inspect the relevant official record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information and also directed to supply the required information to the appellant, which would be identified by him after inspection.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is <u>adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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V/s

**Public Information Officer**, O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority, O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4514 of 2019

Present: Sh. Ravi Jindal, Advocate, the appellant in person.

Sh. Gurbaksh Singh, Draftsman-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'. The RTI request is dated 22.07.2019. First appeal is dated 24.09.2019. Second

appeal has been received in the Commission on 04.12.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021,

- i) Due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 10.02.2021, the appellant stated that he had received the information but not as pr queries raised by him through RTI request.
- ii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 25.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.
- iii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record to identify the information and also directed to supply the required information to the appellant, which would be identified by him after inspection.
- iv) An opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Sh. Gurbaksh Singh, Draftsman-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, intimates the Commission that the appellant did not visit the office of the respondent to inspect the relevant official record to identify the information.

The appellant, Sh. Ravi Jindal, Advocate, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he could not visit the office of the respondent to inspect the relevant official record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information and also directed to supply the required information to the appellant, which would be identified by him after inspection.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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....Appellant

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Ms. Navjeet Kaur, House Number 43. Mohalla Darapur, Near Session Chowk, Hoshiapur-146001(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

**Public Information Officer,** O/o The Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training Department, Pb., Sector 36-A, Plot Number 1, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training Department, Pb., Sector 36-A, Plot Number 1, Chandigarh

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4657 of 2019** 

Ms. Navjeet Kaur, the appellant in person. Present:

None on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER** 

Date: 12th July, 2021

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

The RTI request is dated 18.09.2019. First appeal is dated 31.10.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 16.12.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021,

- i) Due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 10.02.2021, Ms. Monika Bansal, Deputy Director(Tech. Edu.), stated that a reply was given to the appellant.
- ii) The appellant stated that she has demanded information regarding eleven vacant posts of 'Physics' Lecturers and whatever reply/information given to her is not as per queries raised by her through RTI request.
- iii) Accordingly, directions were given to the concerned PIO to file a proper reply to the queries raised by the appellant through RTI request to the appellant through registered post with a copy to the Commission.
- iv) An opportunity was given to appellant to confirm whether she received reply or not. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. The appellant, Ms. Navjeet Kaur, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states

that she has demanded information regarding eleven vacant posts of 'Physics' Lecturers advertised through advertisement no. 07 dated 06.08.2018, which has not been supplied to her by the respondent PIO so far and through a letter dated 21.06.2021, she has specified the information required by her.

Nevertheless, the concerned PIO is directed to file a proper reply to the queries raised by the appellant through RTI request. He/She(respondent PIO) is also directed to send the reply to the appellant through registered post in advance with a copy to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether she has received the information/reply (which would be sent to her by the respondent PIO), or not.

The case is adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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...Appellant

V/s.

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## Appeal Case No. 3070 of 2019

Present: Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, the appellant in person.

Sh. Harmel Singh, Junior Engineer, on behalf of the respondent..

**ORDER** 

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

The RTI request is dated 05.05.2019. First appeal is dated 21.06.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 22.08.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021, Due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 10.02.2021,

- i) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 11.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to inspect the relevant official record.
- ii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 11.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information and also directed to supply the required information to the appellant, which would be identified by him after inspection.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Sh. Harmel Singh, Junior Engineer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant in the instant appeal-case.

The appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states incomplete information has been given to him in this case and information regarding samples of the material is still pending.

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Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to facilitate the appellant to inspect the related site on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. so that the appellant could identify the required samples of the material.

The appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to collect the required samples after inspection of the related site.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the required samples of the material, which would be identified by the appellant during his visit, to him under intimation to the Commission, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the required samples of the material or not, by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2021 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> <u>hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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## Appeal Case No. 769 of 2018

Present: Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, the appellant in person.

Sh. Harmel Singh, Junior Engineer, on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

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

The RTI request is dated 28.08.2017. First appeal is dated 27.10.2017. Second

appeal has been received in the Commission on 17.02.2018.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021, due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 10.02.2021,

- i) The appellant stated that information at point no. 05 of the RTI request is still pending.
- ii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 11.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to collect the remaining information at point no. 05 of the RTI request.
- iii) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the remaining information to the appellant, during his visit to office on 11.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M.
- iv) An opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he visited the office of the respondent on 11.02.2021, but no official record presented before him for inspection.

Sh. Harmel Singh, Junior Engineer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that inspection of the relevant official record could not done as the Executive Officer is on leave and the concerned official was transferred to the office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Roonagar and ha now comeback from Roopnagar to Khanna and requested for another date in the instant appeal-case so that inspection could be done.

Nevertheless, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to collect the remaining information at point no. 05 of the RTI request.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the remaining information point 05 of the RTI request to the appellant, during his visit to office on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M., failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the remaining information or not, by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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# Appeal Case No. 3253 of 2018

Present: Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, the appellant in person.

Sh. Harmel Singh, Junior Engineer, on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER** 

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

V/s.

The RTI request is dated 28.06.2018. First appeal is dated 19.08.2018. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 25.09.2018.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.04.2021, due to technical fault in connection of network, proceedings of the instant appeal-case could not held and on the earlier hearing, held on 10.02.2021,

- Sh. Rajesh Rehni, Junior Engineer, requested to fix another date for inspection of the related site to identify the samples of the material regarding point no. 03 of the RTI request.
- ii) Another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to facilitate the appellant to inspect the related site on 22.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. so that the appellant could identify the required samples of the material.
- iii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 22.02.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to collect the required samples after inspection of the related site.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to supply the required samples of the material, which would be identified by the appellant regarding point no. 03 of the RTI request positively to the appellant or file a reply, in writing, to the particular query no. 03 of the RTI request, to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.
- v) Another opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information/reply, or not.
- vi) As the requisite information was not supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 23.12.2020, a show cause notice under Section 20 (2) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

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The appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he visited the office of the respondent on 11.02.2021, but no official record presented before him for inspection.

Sh. Harmel Singh, Junior Engineer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that inspection of the relevant official record could not done as the Executive Officer is on leave and the concerned official was transferred to the office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Roonagar and has now come back from Roopnagar to Khanna and requested for another date in the instant appeal-case so that inspection could be done.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to facilitate the appellant to inspect the related site on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. so that the appellant could identify the required samples of the material.

The appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO on 14.07.2021 at 11:00 A. M. to collect the required samples after inspection of the related site.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the required samples of the material, which would be identified by the appellant during his visit, to him under intimation to the Commission, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

Another opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the required samples of the material or not, by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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