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Shri Siri Ram Saini,
1705-A, Sector-79,
Mohali.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Establishment Officer,
(U/E Branch), PUDA,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director, Housing and
Urban Development, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No.1517/2021

Present: (i) **Shri Siri Ram Saini, Appellant.**
(ii) **Smt. Amardeep Kaur, Clerk, PUDA, Mohali on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 12.06.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 02.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through V.C. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through V.C. in D.C. Office, Mohali. Shri Siri Ram Saini, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that he has received information relating to Points No.2,4 & 5, but the information on points No.1 & 3 has not been provided to him.
3. Smt. Amardeep Kaur, Clerk O/o PUDA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. She states that as regards information on point No.1, the same will be provided within a week and regarding the information on point No.3, no record is available with their office and the land in respect of which information has been sought, is a private land and has not been acquired by PUDA.

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4. Post deliberations, the PIO, PUDA is directed to reply to provide information on Point Nos. 1 and 3 to the appellant within seven days' agreed upon during deliberations.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in D.C. Office, Mohali.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
13.07.2021**

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Shri Prem Kumar Rattan,
H.No.78/8, Park Road,
Navi Mandi, Dhuri,
District Sangrur

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Addl. Superintending Engineer,
Urban Sub Division, PSPCL, Dhuri,
District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Chief Engineer,
Distribution Circle, PSPCL,
Barnala.

...Respondents

AC No.1405/2021

Present:

- (i) **Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, Appellant.**
(ii) **Shri Vijay Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Addl.S.E.
PSPCL, Dhuri, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 02.12.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 02.01.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through V.C. Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. in D.C. Office, Sangrur. He states that the information sought has not been received by him.
3. Shri Vijay Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Addl.S.E., PSPCL, Dhuri, District Sangrur comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He makes a request to grant some additional time to provide information to the appellant.
4. The Bench, acceding to the request of representative of PIO, grants additional time and also directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office by mutually tying up with him and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after inspection of records, will identify the information and the same will be provided by the PIO to the appellant before the next hearing.

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5. After supplying the information to the appellant, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.1405/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original copy of affidavit be supplied to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in D.C. Office, Sangrur.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Smt. Kamla Devi Rattan,
W/o Shri Ayudhia Prashad,
H.No.78/8, Park Road,
Navi Mandi, Dhuri,
District Sangrur

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Addl. Superintending Engineer,
Urban Sub Division, PSPCL, Dhuri,
District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Chief Engineer,
Distribution Circle, PSPCL,
Barnala.

...Respondents

AC No.1413/2021

Present: (i) **Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, on behalf of the Appellant.**
(ii) **Vijay Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Addl.S.E.
PSPCL, Dhuri, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 30.11.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 15.01.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through V.C. Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. in D.C. Office, Sangrur on behalf of appellant. He states that the information sought has not been received by the appellant.
3. Shri Vijay Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Addl.S.E., PSPCL, Dhuri, District Sangrur comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He makes a request to grant some additional time to provide information to the appellant.
4. The Bench, acceding to the request of representative of PIO, grants additional time and also directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office by mutually tying up with him and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after inspection of records, will identify the information and the same will be provided by the PIO to the appellant before the next hearing.



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AC No.1413/2021

5. After supplying the information to the appellant, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.1413/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original copy of affidavit be supplied to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in D.C. Office, Sangrur.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Sanjeev Kumar Bitta,
H.No.14A/29, Shivpuri Mohalla,
Dhuri, District Sangrur

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Addl. Superintending Engineer,
PSPCL, Dhuri,
District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Chief Engineer,
Distribution Circle, PSPCL,
Barnala.

...Respondents

AC No.1408/2021

Present:

- (i) **Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, on behalf of the Appellant.**
- (ii) **Vijay Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Addl. S.E. PSPCL, Dhuri, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 05.12.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 15.01.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through V.C. Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. in D.C. Office, Sangrur on behalf of appellant. He states that the information sought has not been received by the appellant.
3. Shri Vijay Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Addl.S.E., PSPCL, Dhuri, District Sangrur comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He makes a request to grant some additional time to provide information to the appellant.
4. The Bench, acceding to the request of representative of PIO, grants additional time and also directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office by mutually tying up with him and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after inspection of records, will identify the information and the same will be provided by the PIO to the appellant before the next hearing.

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AC No.1408/2021

5. After supplying the information to the appellant, the PIO is also directed to file in affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.1408/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original copy of affidavit be supplied to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in D.C. Office, Sangrur.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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District Sangrur

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Addl. Superintending Engineer,
Urban Sub Division, PSPCL,Dhuri,
District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Deputy Chief Engineer,
Distribution Circle, PSPCL,
Barnala.

...Respondents

AC No.1499/2021

Present: (i) **Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, on behalf of the Appellant.**
(ii) **Vijay Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Addl.S.E.
PSPCL, Dhuri, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 25.12.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 25.01.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through V.C. Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. in D.C. Office, Sangrur on behalf of appellant. He states that the information sought has not been received by the appellant
3. Shri Vijay Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Addl.S.E., PSPCL, Dhuri, District Sangrur comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He makes a request to grant some additional time to provide information to the appellant.
4. The Bench, acceding to the request of representative of PIO, grants additional time and also directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office by mutually tying up with him and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after inspection of records, will identify the information and the same will be provided by the PIO to the appellant before the next hearing.

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AC No.1499/2021

5. After supplying the information to the appellant, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.1499/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original copy of affidavit be supplied to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in D.C. Office, Sangrur.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Kala Singh
S/o Shri Amar Singh,
R/o Village Lang, PO Lang,
Tehsil & District Patiala.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Sub Divisional Officer,
Sub Division, PSPCL, Kalyan,
District Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Executive Engineer,
East Division, PSPCL,
Patiala.

...Respondents

AC No.1463/2021

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Sukhwinder Singh, Clerk O/o SDO, PSPCL, Kalyan, Distt.Patiala on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 21.12.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 23.01.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through V.C. Shri Kala Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C.in D.C. Office, Patiala.
3. Shri Sukhwinder Singh, Clerk O/o SDO, PSPCL, Kalyan, District Patiala comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO through V.C. He makes a request for grant of some additional time to provide the information to the appellant.
4. The Bench, acceding to the request of representative of PIO, grants additional time and also directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office by mutually tying up with him and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after inspection of records, will identify the information and the same will be provided by the PIO to the appellant before the next hearing.

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AC No.1463/2021

5. After supplying the information to the appellant, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.1463/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original copy of affidavit be supplied to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in D.C. Office, Patiala.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Karnail Singh
S/o Shri Niranjan Singh,
R/o Village Nain Kalan,
Tehsil & District Patiala.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Sub Divisional Officer,
Sub Division, PSPCL, Sanaur,
District Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer, DM(South)
PSPCL, Shakti D-2, Patiala.

...Respondents

AC No.1415/2021

Present: (i) **Shri Karnail Singh, Appellant.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 23.11.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 05.02.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through V.C. Shri Karnail Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C.in D.C. Office, Patiala. He states that his tubewell connection No.TP07/0158 was disconnected and he has sought applications and affidavits submitted by Major Singh, Lal Singh, Labh Singh etc. in this regard. He has received information on points No.3 & 4 whereas information has not been supplied on points No.1 & 2.
3. Shri Harpreet Singh, SDO, PSPCL, Sanaur, District Patiala comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that information on points No.3 & 4 has been supplied. However, the information on points No.1 & 2 cannot be supplied being personal information, under Section 8(1)(j) of RTI Act.

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AC No.1415/2021

4. Post deliberations, it transpires that the information sought relates to the appellant as his tubewell connection has been disconnected on the applications of the persons named in the RTI application. As such, it cannot be termed as personal and private information and the Bench directs the PIO to supply information on points No.1 & 2 also to the appellant before the next hearing.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in D.C. Office, Patiala.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Karnail Singh
S/o Shri Niranjan Singh,
R/o Village Nain Kalan,
Tehsil & District Patiala.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Chief Engineer, TA&1,
PSPCL, B-3, Shakti Vihar,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chief Engineer, DM(South)
PSPCL, Patiala.

...Respondents

AC No.1414/2021

Present: (i) Shri Karnail Singh, Appellant.
(ii) None on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 11.05.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 18.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through V.C. in the office of D.C. Office, Patiala. Shri Karnail Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that he has filed RTI application in the instant appeal case seeking information with regard to the enquiry conducted into the complaint made by one Major Singh in connection with his tubewell connection in May, 2019, which has not been supplied to him yet.
3. Neither the PIO O/o Chief Engineer, TA&1, PSPCL, B-3, Shakti Vihar, Patiala has come present to attend the hearing through V.C. nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on his behalf nor has supplied any information to the appellant. This indifferent attitude on the part of the PIO is viewed adversely.

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AC No.1414/2020

4. The PIO O/o Chief Engineer,TA&1, PSPCL, B-3,Shakti Vihar, Patiala is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying information to the appellant and for not attending today's hearing. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The PIO is directed to supply complete information duly attested to the appellant before the next hearing as also to attend the next hearing in the case.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM though V.C. in D.C. Office, Patiala.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
13.07.2021**

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PSPCL, B-3,Shakti Vihar,
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Shri Gokul Dev,
S/o Shri Chander Mani
H. No.113, Gali No.03,
Aman Avenue,
Majitha Road,Amritsar.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o PSPCL, East Division,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority.
O/o Superintending Engineer,
Sub Urban Circle, PSPCL,
Amritsar.

..Respondents

AC No.1431/2021

Present: (i) **Shri Sanjeet Singh, Advocate for appellant and Shri Gokul Dev, Appellant**
(ii) **Ms. Rupa Rani, S.D.A., PSPCL, East Division, Amritsar.**

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 11.12.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The first appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 31.01.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.03.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.07.2021 through Video Conferencing facility. Accordingly, the case has been heard through V.C. in the office of D.C. Amritsar.
3. Shri Sanjeet Singh, Advocate comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. along with the appellant Shri Gokul Dev. He states that the appellant has sought copies of Form No.16A for the financial years 2010-2011, 2011-12 and 2012-13. He further states that the appellant had retired in 2014. The said information is required by him in connection with income tax related issues and the same has not been provided.
4. Ms. Rupa Rani, S.D.A, PSPCL Amritsar comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. She states that she has joined in January, 2021 and further states that information relates to about 10 years back and is not available in the records.



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AC No.1431/2021

5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The information as may be identified by the appellant and whatever information is available in the official records, may be supplied to the appellant before the next hearing.

6. After supplying the information, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.1431 of 2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. The original affidavit as also the entire relevant record be brought along and produced before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.09.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
13.07.2021**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma, (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

