



Shri Trilochan Singh,
H.No.848A, MIG Jamalpur Colony,
Ludhiana, Distt.Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Secretary
Regional Transport Authority,
SAS Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Secretary
Regional Transport Authority,
SAS Nagar (Mohali).

....Respondents

AC No.953 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant is absent.**
(ii) **Shri Dharminder Singh, Steno O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Mohali**
on behalf of the PIO, in person at Chandigarh.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. However, a telephonic message was received from the D.C. Office, Ludhiana that public dealing has been prohibited in the D.C. Office due to pandemic of COVID-19, hence, the Video Conferencing cannot be held..
3. Shri Dharminder Singh, Steno O/o Secretary, RTA Mohali comes present in the Commission on behalf of the PIO and states that the appellant has not visited their office in spite of repeated requests to inspect the official records. He states that the information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 08.06.2020 and also produces before the Bench letter dated 13.07.2020 in this regard which is taken on record. He further states that the appellant has not reverted back to convey any shortcomings in the information supplied.
4. The appellant is contacted through telephone to get his version on the appeal case, but he does not respond to the telephonic call.
5. The Bench observes that as directed on the previous hearing, no affidavit has been filed by the PIO. The PIO is again directed to file an affidavit before the next date of hearing, signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that complete information has been supplied to the Appellant



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in AC No.953/2020. No other information beyond that is available in the official records and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic. The original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and a photocopy thereof be sent to the Commission for records.

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.07.2020**

Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Ludhiana, Distt.Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Director, State Transport, Pb.
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, State Transport, Pb.
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.646 of 2020

Present:

- (i) Appellant is absent.
- (ii) Shri Kuldeep Singh, Superintendent, O/o Director, State Transport, Punjab, Chandigarh/ PIO, in person at Chandigarh.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. However, a telephonic message was received from the D.C. Office, Ludhiana that public dealing has been prohibited in the D.C. Office due to pandemic of COVID-19, hence, the Video Conferencing cannot be held..
3. Shri Kuldeep Singh, Superintendent O/o Director, State Transport, Punjab, Chandigarh/PIO comes present in the Commission. He states that the appellant had been sent the requisite para-wise information vide letter dated 13.03.2020 and produces a copy of the same before the Bench which is taken on record. He further states that the appellant has not reverted back to convey any shortcomings in the information supplied.
4. The appellant is contacted through telephone to get his version on the appeal case, but he does not respond to the telephonic call.
- 5.. The Bench observes that the PIO has not filed reply to the show cause notice. As such, he is again directed to file reply to the show cause notice before the next date of hearing. .

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6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit before the next date of hearing, signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that complete information has been supplied to the Appellant in AC No.646/2020. No other information beyond that is available in the official records and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic. The original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and a photocopy thereof be sent to the Commission for records.

7. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Ludhiana, Distt.Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The General Manager,
Punjab Roadways,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Director, State Transport, Pb.
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.688 of 2020

Present: **None.**

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. However, a telephonic message was received from the D.C. Office, Ludhiana that public dealing has been prohibited in the D.C. Office due to pandemic of COVID-19, hence, the Video Conferencing cannot be held.
3. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **26.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Ludhiana, Distt.Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Principal Secretary to the,
Government of Punjab,
Transport Department,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-2,
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Principal Secretary to the,
Government of Punjab,
Transport Department,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-2,
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.738 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant is absent.
(ii) Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,Chd.
on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. However, a telephonic message was received from the D.C. Office, Ludhiana that public dealing has been prohibited in the D.C. Office due to pandemic of COVID-19, hence, the Video Conferencing cannot be held.
3. Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO comes present on behalf of the PIO in person before the Bench at Chandigarh. He states that PIO has written a letter dated 01.07.2020 to the appellant seeking clarification as to how he has filed two RTI applications on the same subject in the Commission i.e. AC No.383 of 2020 which is pending with Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Sanjeev Garg and the instant appeal case. A copy of this letter is also available in the relevant file. The APIO contends that filing of two RTI applications on the same subject is not permissible under the provisions of RTI Act, 2005.



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4.. On the asking of the Bench, the APIO Shri Gurpal Singh, shows the copy of RTI application in AC No.383 of 2020. On perusal of the same, the Bench finds that the said RTI application is similar to the one filed in the present case i.e. in AC No.738/2020.

5. The Bench agrees with the contention of the APIO to the effect that filing of two RTI applications seeking similar information is non-productive and unnecessary wastage of time of the Public Authority as well as the Commission.

6. Since Appeal Case No.383/2020 is pending in the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Sanjeev Garg has been filed prior to the present Appeal Case No.738 of 2020, the Bench is of the view that the present Appeal Case No.738/2020 be also transferred to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Sanjeev Garg, for clubbing the same with AC No.383 of 2020.

7. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. The appeal case is sent to the Deputy Registrar for appropriate action for its transfer. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.07.2020**

**Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Copy to: Deputy Registrar, Punjab State Information Commission, Chandigarh, along with the case file, to take action regarding the transfer of this appeal case to the appropriate Bench.

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.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Secretary
Regional Transport Authority,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents0

AC No.769 of 2020

Present: **None.**

ORDER

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3. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **26.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
14.07.2020

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Shri Baljeet Singh
Civil Engineer,
64-H, BRS Nagar
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Corporation
Zone-A, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Zone-A, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.4199 of 2019

Present: None

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. However, a telephonic message was received from the D.C. Office, Ludhiana that public dealing has been prohibited in the D.C. Office due to pandemic of COVID-19, hence, the Video Conferencing cannot be held.
3. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **26.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
14.07.2020

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Baljeet Singh
Civil Engineer,
64-H, BRS Nagar
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Corporation
Zone-D, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Zone-D, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.896 of 2020

Present: None

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. However, a telephonic message was received from the D.C. Office, Ludhiana that public dealing has been prohibited in the D.C. Office due to pandemic of COVID-19, hence, the Video Conferencing cannot be held.
3. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **26.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
14.07.2020

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Rohit Sabharwal
Kundan Bhawan,
#126, Model Gram,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.1105 of 2020

Present: None.

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 22.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. However, a telephonic message was received from the D.C. Office, Ludhiana that public dealing has been prohibited in the D.C. Office due to pandemic of COVID-19, hence, the Video Conferencing cannot be held.
3. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **26.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
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Shri Lakha Singh Azad
S/o Sh. Mangal Singh
R/o VPO Raiya (Khurd)
Ward No.3, Tehsil Baba Bakala,
District Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
Principal Secretary to Govt. of Pb.
Deptt. Of Local Government,
Chandigarh..

....Respondents

AC No.4187 of 2019

Present: None.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. This appeal case was scheduled to be heard today through Video Conferencing facility at Amritsar. However, due to technical glitch in the connectivity, the hearing could not be held through V.C. As such, the matter is adjourned.
3. **To come up for hearing on 26.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Amritsar.**
Copies of the order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.07.2020**

**Sd/-
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Shri Jaswant Sarpal
S/o Sh.Darbari Lal Sarpal,
H.No.2220/2, Arian Street,
I/S Mahan Singh Gate,
Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No.4194 of 2019

Present: **None.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. This appeal case was scheduled to be heard today through Video Conferencing facility at Amritsar. However, due to technical glitch in the connectivity, the hearing could not be held through V.C. As such, the matter is adjourned.
3. **To come up for hearing on 26.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Amritsar.**
Copies of the order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.07.2020**

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Shri H.S. Hundal, Advocate
#203, Judicial Courts,
Sector-76, Mohali.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.621 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant is present in person at Chandigarh.-**
(ii) **None.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. This appeal case was scheduled to be heard today through Video Conferencing facility at Patiala. However, due to technical glitch in the connectivity, the hearing could not be held through V.C.
3. The Appellant Shri H.S. Hundal has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has been supplied only partial information.
4. Since hearing cannot be held through V.C. as stated above, Shri Sham Lal, PIO is contacted on telephone. He states that the information has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 16.03.2020 and that a letter dated 10.07.2020 to this effect has been sent to the Commission also. He is apprised of the version of the appellant that the information supplied is only partial and that the appellant is not satisfied with the same. Regarding non supply of complete information to the appellant, he has no valid reason and states that complete information has been supplied as per official records.
5. The Bench observes that on the last two hearings, the PIO was directed to file an affidavit which has not been filed yet. The Bench takes serious view of the non-compliance of its directions and observes that the PIO is adopting casual approach towards the directions of Commission. The Bench

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directs the PIO to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the entire information in AC No.621 of 2020, as available in the official records has been supplied to the appellant. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. The original copy be sent to the appellant with a copy thereof to the Commission before next date of hearing, failing which penalty shall be imposed

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of DC Patiala.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.07.2020**

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Shri H.S. Hundal, Advocate
#203, Judicial Courts,
Sector-76, Mohali.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.622 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant is present in person at Chandigarh.**
(ii) **None.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. This appeal case was scheduled to be heard today through Video Conferencing facility at Patiala. However, due to technical glitch in the connectivity, the hearing could not be held through V.C.
3. The Appellant Shri H.S. Hundal has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has been supplied only partial information.
4. Since hearing cannot be held through V.C. as stated above, Shri Sham Lal, PIO is contacted on telephone. He states that the information has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 16.03.2020 and that a letter dated 10.07.2020 to this effect has been sent to the Commission also. He is apprised of the version of the appellant that the information supplied is only partial and that the appellant is not satisfied with the same. Regarding non supply of complete information to the appellant, he has no valid reason and states that complete information has been supplied as per official records.
5. The Bench observes that on the last two hearings, the PIO was directed to file an affidavit which has not been filed yet. The Bench takes serious view of the non-compliance of its directions and observes that the PIO is adopting casual approach towards the directions of Commission. The Bench

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AC No.622/2020

The Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the entire information in AC No.622 of 2020, as available in the official records has been supplied to the appellant. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. The original copy be sent to the appellant with a copy thereof to the Commission before next date of hearing, failing which penalty shall be imposed.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of DC Patiala.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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Sector-76, Mohali.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.867 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant is present in person at Chandigarh.**
(ii) **None.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. This appeal case was scheduled to be heard today through Video Conferencing facility at Patiala. However, due to technical glitch in the connectivity, the hearing could not be held through V.C.
3. The Appellant Shri H.S. Hundal has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has not been supplied any information.
4. Since hearing cannot be held through V.C. as stated above, Shri Sham Lal, PIO is contacted on telephone. He states that the information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 11.07.2020. He is also made to talk to the appellant and the appellant informs him regarding non receipt of this information and says that it might be in transit. He further states that the information has been supplied as per official records.
5. The Bench observes that on the last two hearings, the PIO was directed to file an affidavit which has not been filed yet. The Bench takes serious view of the non-compliance of its directions and observes that the PIO is adopting casual approach towards the directions of Commission. The Bench

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AC No.867/2020

The Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the entire information in AC No.867 of 2020, as available in the official records has been supplied to the appellant. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. The original copy be sent to the appellant with a copy thereof to the Commission before next date of hearing, failing which penalty shall be imposed

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of DC Patiala.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.07.2020**

**Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Amar Singh,
H.No. HE-8, Phase-5,
SAS Nagar (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.613 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Amar Singh, appellant is present in person at Chandigarh.**
(ii) **None.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. This appeal case was scheduled to be heard today through Video Conferencing facility at Patiala. However, due to technical glitch in the connectivity, the hearing could not be held through V.C.
3. The Appellant Shri Amar Singh has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has visited twice the office of PIO to inspect the official records so as to identify the information sought by him. But his visits did not yield any result, as he was not entertained.
4. Since hearing cannot be held through V.C. as stated above, Shri Sham Lal, PIO is contacted on telephone. He states that the appellant could not be shown the official records for inspection for identifying the information he requires, as the concerned dealing Clerk was placed under suspension on 02.07.2020. He states that he has also informed the appellant vide letter dated 10.07.2020.
5. After discussing the matter with both the appellant and the PIO, the Bench decides that now the appellant will visit the office of PIO on 10.08.2020 at 11.30 AM. The PIO will allow him to inspect the relevant official records and after inspection, the appellant will identify the desired information. The PIO will ensure to provide the complete information to the appellant so identified by him.



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6. The Bench also directs the PIO to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the entire information in AC No.613 of 2020, as available in the official records, has been supplied to the appellant. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. The original copy be sent to the appellant with a copy thereof to the Commission before next date of hearing, failing which penalty shall be imposed

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of DC Patiala.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.07.2020**

**Sd/-
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.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Corporation,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.1058 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Shakti Paul Sharma, Advocate for the Appellant at Chandigarh.**
(ii) **None.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. This appeal case was scheduled to be heard today through Video Conferencing facility at Patiala. However, due to technical glitch in the connectivity, the hearing could not be held through V.C.
3. Shri Shakti Paul Sharma, Advocate, comes present in person before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh on behalf of the appellant Shri Amarjit Singh. He states that the information has been received from the PIO on 13.07.2020 and the appellant observed discrepancies in the information supplied. The details of the discrepancies noticed have been intimated to the PIO as well as the Commission.
4. Since hearing cannot be held through V.C. as stated above, Shri Sham Lal, PIO is contacted on telephone. He states that complete information has been sent to the appellant by registered post on 11.07.2020. He is apprised of the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant, placed before the Bench through his Advocate today during the hearing. The PIO is directed to address the shortcomings pointed out by the appellant and supply the complete information to the appellant. He is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the entire information in AC No.1058 of 2020,

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as available in the official records has been supplied to the appellant. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. The original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy thereof be sent to the Commission for record.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 25.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of DC Patiala.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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Shri Avtar Singh
S/o Shri Harbhajan Singh
R/o Talwandi Bharat (Kothe),
PO Aliwal, Tehsil Batala,
District Gurdaspur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjab State Board of Technical
Education & Industrial Training,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secretary, Punjab State
Board of Technical Education &
Industrial Training, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No.798/2020

Present: (i) Shri Avtar Singh, Appellant is present in person at Chandigarh.
(ii) None.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 07.07.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. This appeal case was scheduled to be heard in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Avtar Singh, appellant comes in person before the Bench to attend the hearing.
3. Neither the PIO nor anybody on behalf of the PIO has come present to attend the hearing. The Bench observes that the PIO had informed that 51 pages had been sent to the appellant and the appellant was advised to point out deficiencies and visit the office of PIO on 13.07.2020 to inspect the official records.
4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that as per directions of Hon'ble Bench, he tried to contact the PIO to inspect the official records. But he has been told by the PIO that their office building has been sealed due to pandemic of COVID-19 and as such, it is not possible for them to show any records to him. He also states that he even contacted the PIO in this regard, but the PIO has shown her inability to attend the hearing before the Bench today and has assured him to allow the inspection of records at a subsequent date.



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5. In view of the development, the appellant is now advised to visit the office of PIO on 17.08.2020 to inspect the official records. The appellant will inspect the official records and identify the information relating to his RTI application. After the information is identified by the appellant during his visit to the office of PIO on 17.08.2020, the PIO will address the shortcomings and supply complete information to the appellant. In case the PIO fails to supply the complete information to the appellant after addressing the shortcomings, penal consequences shall follow.

7. As directed on the previous date of hearing, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit, on the next date of hearing, signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as identified by the appellant, available in the official records, in AC No.798/2020, has been supplied to the appellant and nothing beyond that is available in the official records. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. The original copy of the affidavit be sent to the appellant and a photocopy thereof be sent to the Commission for record.

8. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 18.08.2020 at 11.30 AM in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.07.2020**

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