

Jasbir Singh,  
Village – Bholapur Jhabewal,  
P. O. Ramgarh,  
Distt. – Ludhiana - 123455 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh (Punjab)

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 157 of 2020**

Present : Sh. Jasbir Singh, the appellant in person.  
None 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 26.08.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 31.12.2019.

On the last dated of hearing, held on 03.07.2020, the respondent-PIO concerned was directed to send the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post and send a copy of the postal receipt to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information and also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent. **A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

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

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any document, showing that the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

As the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 03.07.2020, compensation of Rs. 2500/- (Rupees Twenty Five Hundred only) is awarded to the appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh. The compensation shall be paid by public authority concerned by way of **crossed cheque/Demand Draft in the name of Jasbir Singh. The crossed cheque/Demand Draft shall be made from the bank account of public authority concerned and not from the individual official.**

The respondent PIO is also directed to produce a copy of the same in the Commission on the next date of hearing to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.

Last and final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post and copy of the postal receipt (through which information would be sent to the appellant), 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 or not. He is 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 by the next date of hearing.

**A copy of this order be sent to the respondent PIO concerned of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur with the directions to appear in person before the Commission to represent this case on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' so that facts of this case could be cleared. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.**

The case is **adjourned to 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2020 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

**Date :14<sup>th</sup> September, 2020**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
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