

**Sh.Ravinder Singh Gill,** # 986, Near Dev Hotel, Main Bazar,Moga.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,** O/o SDM, Moga.

**First Appellate Authority,** O/o SDM, Moga.

#### .... Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 1165 of 2020 PRESENT: Sh.Ravinder Singh as the Appellant None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 23.10.2019 has sought information regarding the status of action taken on the application dated 15.10.2019 relating to cancellation of rapat dated 13.06.2011 and mutation no.69186 & 23095 as per the decision of SDM Moga and other information concerning the office of SDM Moga. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the first appellate authority on 06.12.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case was first heard on 06.10.2020. The respondent present pleaded that the appellant had earlier filed a similar appeal case No.3502/2018 for seeking exactly the same information which was disposed of by Dr.Pawan Kumar Singla, State Information Commissioner on 23.06.2020 since the information was provided and the appellant was satisfied with the reply of the PIO. The Commission also received a reply of the PIO through email which was taken on the file of the Commission.

The appellant was absent and vide letter received in the Commission on 25.09.2020 informed that the information is incomplete since as per the order of the First Appellate Authority, the information from patwari halka Moga Mahil Singh-1I has been provided but it is incomplete, however, the information from patwari halka Moga Mahil Singh-1 has not been provided.

Having gone through the record, it was found that the appellant had earlier filed a similar appeal case for seeking exactly the same information which was disposed of by the ld bench of Dr.Pawan Kumar Singla on 23.06.2020 whereas in the certificate submitted to the Commission, the appellant has certified that no appeal or complaint has earlier been filed, pending or decided by any of the State Information Commissioner.

The appellant was directed to personally appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing and plead his case.

On the date of hearing on **28.01.2021**, the appellant informed that as per order/decision of First Appellate Authority-cum-SDM Moga, the information provided by Patwari Halka Mahil Singh-II is incomplete till the information from Patwari Halka Moga Mahil Singh-1 is provided.

The Commission also received a letter from the appellant on 21.01.2021 which was taken on the file of the Commission.

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Regarding plea of the respondent that the information has already been provided to the appellant in a similar appeal case No.3502/2018 which was disposed of by the SIC Dr.Pawan Kumar Singla, the Commission having gone through the record found that the appellant in this appeal case had sought information regarding action taken on the application dated 15.10.2019 whereas in the appeal case No.3502/2018, the appellant had sought information regarding action taken on his application dated 18.06.2018. Hence the PIO was directed to clarify whether the matter of complainant dated 18.06.2018 in appeal case No.3502/2018 and complaint dated 15.10.2019 in the present case is same or different.

On the date of hearing on **07.05.2021**, the respondent present from the office of SDM Moga informed that the information has to be provided by the Tehsildar Moga. The representative from the office of Tehsildar Moga had not brought the sought information.

The appellant was absent. Having seen the copy of the RTI application and order of Ld.SIC in appeal case No.3502/2018 submitted by the PIO O/o SDM Moga, it was concluded that the information sought in both the cases is different and not the same as claimed by the PIO.

The PIO- Tehsildar Moga was directed to provide complete information to the appellant within ten days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

On the date of the last hearing on **10.08.2021**, as per the appellant, the complete information was not provided by the PIO despite the order of the Commission.

The respondent had asked for some clarification regarding the khasra number which the appellant provided during the hearing. The respondent further informed that the information has to be provided by the concerned Patwari.

The respondent was directed to procure the information from the concerned Patwari and provide to the appellant within 10 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

#### Hearing dated 14.12.2021:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Moga. The Commission has received a letter from the appellant on 07.12.2021 stating that the information provided by the PIO is incomplete.

The respondent is absent.

Earlier order stands. The case is adjourned.

To come up for further hearing on **14.03.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Moga.

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

CC to Tehsildar Moga.



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

Versus

... Appellant

**Public Information Officer,** O/o Tehsildar, Moga.

**First Appellate Authority,** O/o SDM, Moga.

...Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 514 of 2020

#### PRESENT: None for the Appellant Sh.Sunny, Clerk O/o Tehsildar Moga for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The case was first heard on 07.07.2020 through video conferencing at DAC Moga. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 06.07.2020. The appellant was absent and vide email informed that he has received a photocopy of the reply on his whatsapp from the PIO, which however was incorrect and wrong facts had been mentioned in the reply.

The appellant was directed to point out the discrepancies if any in writing to the PIO with a copy to the Commission. The PIO was directed to remove the discrepancies.

On the date of the hearing on **01.09.2020**, both the parties were absent. The appellant vide email has informed that the discrepancies in the information have been pointed out to the PIO O/o Tehsildar Moga vide email dated 16.07.2020 with a copy to the Commission. The appellant further informed that he contacted Mr.Mangaljit Singh, Reader to the Tehsildar Moga who informed that the entire staff had been on strike and had requested some more time to provide the information. The appellant stated that he has no objection if the Hon'ble Court grants additional time to the PIO to provide the complete point-wise information.

The PIO was directed to sort out the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant via email dated 16.07.2020.

On the date of hearing on 28.01.2021, as per the respondent, the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant had been sorted out and the information was provided to the appellant on 22.11.2020. As per the appellant, no information was provided by the PIO despite his many visits to the office of the PIO.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to sort out the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant and send the complete information to the appellant through a registered post with a copy to the Commission within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

On the date of hearing on **07.05.2021**, the appellant who was present via a mobile phone informed that the PIO has not provided the complete information after the discrepancies were pointed out. The Commission also received an email from the appellant in this regard which was taken on the file of the Commission.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to remove the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant on 16.07.2020 and send complete information in a sealed envelope to the Commission. The information should reach the Commission by Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2020,.

The appellant may collect the information from the office of the Commission.

On the date of the last hearing on **10.08.2021, the** appellant informed that despite visiting the office of PIO many times, the discrepancy has not been removed and complete information has not been provided by the PIO.

The PIO did not comply with the order of the Commission to sort out the discrepancies and send complete information in a sealed envelope to the Commission by 04.05.2021 and has brought nothing.

The Commission observed that since there was constant disagreement on the information that had been provided and what was sought, under the powers vested under section 18(2) of the RTI Act, the case was marked to the Deputy Commissioner, Moga to enquire into the matter and submit a complete report that whether the information that has been provided is true, complete and in accordance with the information that has been sought.

#### Hearing dated 14.12.2021:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Moga/Mohali.

The Commission has received an email from the DRO Moga vide which the DRO has sought adjournment on the plea that as per the order of the Deputy Commissioner, Moga, the enquiry in appeal case No.514, 515, 666 & 866 of 2020 has been allotted and is being conducted by the DRO but the enquiry has not yet been completed due to strike by the staff of their office.

The appellant is absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **25.04.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, **Moga.** The appellant to appear at Chandigarh.

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

CC to Deputy Commissioner, Moga



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

Versus

... Appellant

**Public Information Officer,** O/o Tehsildar, Moga.

**First Appellate Authority,** O/o SDM, Moga.

## ...Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 515 of 2020

#### PRESENT: None for the Appellant Sh.Sunny, Clerk O/o Tehsildar Moga for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The case was first heard on 07.07.2020. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 06.07.2020. The appellant was absent and vide email has informed that he had received a photocopy of the reply on his WhatsApp from the PIO, which however was incorrect and wrong facts had been mentioned in the reply.

The appellant was directed to point out the discrepancies if any in writing to the PIO with a copy to the Commission. The PIO was directed to remove the discrepancies.

On the date of the hearing on **01.09.2020**, both the parties were absent. The appellant vide email has informed that the discrepancies in the information has been pointed out to the PIO O/o Tehsildar Moga vide email dated 16.07.2020 with a copy to the Commission. The appellant further informed that he contacted Mr.Mangaljit Singh, Reader to the Tehsildar Moga who informed that the entire staff had been on strike and had requested for some more time to provide the information. The appellant stated that he has no objection if the Hon'ble Court grants additional time to the PIO to provide the complete point-wise information.

The PIO was directed to sort out the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant via email dated 16.07.2020.

On the date of hearing on 28.01.2021, as per the respondent, the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant had been sorted out and the information had been provided to the appellant on 22.11.2020. As per the appellant, no information was provided by the PIO despite his many visits to the office of the PIO.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to sort out the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant and send complete information to the appellant through a registered post with a copy to the Commission within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

On the date of the last hearing on **07.05.2021**, the appellant who was present on mobile phone and informed that despite orders of the Commission to provide information within ten days, the PIO has not provided the complete information but sent a copy of same reply/letter dated 20.12.2020 via registered mail which was signed by previous PIO who has already relieved on 15.12.2020 and that 20.12.2020 happens to be a Sunday. The Commission also received an email from the appellant in this regard which was taken on the file of the Commission.

The respondent present from the office of Tehsildar Moga assured to provide the complete information within ten days.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to remove the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant on 16.07.2020 and send complete information in a sealed envelope to the Commission. The information should reach the Commission positively by Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2020, otherwise, the Commission will be constrained to issue a show-cause notice to the PIO under section 20 of the RTI Act.

The appellant may collect the information from the office of the Commission.

On the date of the last hearing on **10.08.2021, the** appellant informed that despite visiting the office of PIO many times, the discrepancy has not been removed and complete information has not been provided by the PIO.

The PIO did not comply with the order of the Commission to sort out the discrepancies and send complete information in a sealed envelope to the Commission by 04.05.2021 and brought nothing.

The Commission observed that since there was constant disagreement on the information that had been provided and what was sought, under the powers vested under section 18(2) of the RTI Act, the case was marked to the Deputy Commissioner, Moga to enquire into the matter and submit a complete report that whether the information that has been provided is true, complete and in accordance with the information that has been sought.

#### Hearing dated 14.12.2021:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Moga/Mohali.

The Commission has received an email from the DRO Moga vide which the DRO has sought adjournment on the plea that as per order of the Deputy Commissioner, Moga, the enquiry in appeal case No.514, 515, 666 & 866 of 2020 has been allotted and is being conducted by the DRO but the enquiry has not yet been completed due to strike by the staff of their office.

The appellant is absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **25.04.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, **Moga.** The appellant to appear at Chandigarh.

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

CC to Deputy Commissioner, Moga

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...Appellant

**Public Information Officer,** O/o Tehsildar, Moga.

First Appellate Authority,

O/oSDM, Moga.

.....Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 666 of 2020

Versus

#### PRESENT: None for the Appellant Sh.Sunny, Clerk O/o Tehsildar Moga for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The case was first heard on 06.10.2020. Both the parties were absent.

The Commission observed that there has been an enormous delay of eleven months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission taking a serious view of this directed the PIO to provide the information and be present or be represented at the next date of hearing along with the explanation for the delay in attending to the RTI application.

On the date of hearing on 28.01.2021, as per the respondent, the information had been provided to the appellant on 22.11.2020. As per the appellant, no information was provided by the PIO despite his many visits to the office of the PIO.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to send the complete information to the appellant through a registered post with a copy to the Commission within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

On the date of the last hearing on **07.05.2021**, the appellant was present via a mobile phone and informed that the PIO has not provided the information. The Commission also received an email from the appellant in this regard which has been taken on the file of the Commission.

The respondent present from the office of Tehsildar Moga assured to provide the complete information within ten days.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to remove the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant on 16.07.2020 and send complete information in a sealed envelope to the Commission. The information should reach the Commission by Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

The appellant may collect the information from the office of the Commission.

On the date of the last hearing on **10.08.2021, the** appellant informed that despite visiting the office of PIO many times, the discrepancy has not been removed and complete information has not been provided by the PIO.

The PIO did not comply with the order of the Commission to sort out the discrepancies and send complete information in a sealed envelope to the Commission by 04.05.2021 and brought nothing.

The Commission observed that since there was constant disagreement on the information that had been provided and what was sought, under the powers vested under section 18(2) of the RTI Act, the case was marked to the Deputy Commissioner, Moga to enquire into the matter and submit a complete report that whether the information that has been provided is true, complete and in accordance with the information that has been sought.

#### Hearing dated 14.12.2021:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Moga/Mohali.

The Commission has received an email from the DRO Moga vide which the DRO has sought adjournment on the plea that as per the order of the Deputy Commissioner, Moga, the enquiry in appeal case No.514, 515, 666 & 866 of 2020 has been allotted and is being conducted by the DRO but the enquiry has not yet been completed due to strike by the staff of their office.

The appellant is absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **25.04.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, **Moga.** The appellant to appear at Chandigarh.

Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021

CC to Deputy Commissioner, Moga

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Versus

**Public Information Officer,** O/o Tehsildar, Moga.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o SDM, Moga.

#### Appeal Case No. 866 of 2020

#### PRESENT: None for the Appellant Sh.Sunny, Clerk O/o Tehsildar Moga for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 31.10.2019 has sought information regarding a copy of orders designating revenue officers as circle Revenue officers in the Districts with names, designation and tenures of CROs in the entire district – a copy of notification/provisions of Govt as per which circle revenue officers are appointed/designated – register maintained as per section 6(3) of Punjab Transparency Act – details of services in which CRO is designated officer – details of all cases that were taken up suo moto either by the appellate authority or by the commission and other information concerning the office of Tehsildar Moga. The appellant was not provided the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the first appellate authority on 01.12.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case came up for hearing first on 06.10.2020 through video conferencing at DAC Moga. Both the parties were absent.

The Commission observed that there has been an enormous delay of eleven months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission taking a serious view of this directed the PIO to provide the information and be present on the next date of hearing along with the explanation for the delay in attending to the RTI application.

On the date of hearing on 28.01.2021, as per the respondent, the information has been provided to the appellant on 22.11.2020. As per the appellant, no information was provided by the PIO despite his many visits to the office of the PIO.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to send the complete information to the appellant through a registered post with a copy to the Commission within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

On the date of hearing on **07.05.2021**, the appellant was present via a mobile phone and informed that the PIO has not provided the information. The Commission also received an email from the appellant in this regard which has been taken on the file of the Commission.

.....Respondent

... Appellant

The respondent present from the office of Tehsildar Moga assured to provide the complete information within ten days.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to remove the discrepancies as pointed out by the appellant on 16.07.2020 and send the complete information in a sealed envelope to the Commission. The information should reach the Commission by Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> May.

The appellant may collect the information from the office of the Commission.

On the date of the last hearing on **10.08.2021, the** appellant informed that despite visiting the office of PIO many times, the discrepancy has not been removed and complete information has not been provided by the PIO.

The PIO did not comply with the order of the Commission to sort out the discrepancies and send complete information in a sealed envelope to the Commission by 04.05.2021 and has brought nothing.

The Commission observed that since there was constant disagreement on the information that had been provided and what was sought, under the powers vested under section 18(2) of the RTI Act, the case was marked to the Deputy Commissioner, Moga to enquire into the matter and submit a complete report that whether the information that has been provided is true, complete and in accordance with the information that has been sought.

#### Hearing dated 14.12.2021:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Moga/Mohali.

The Commission has received an email from the DRO Moga vide which the DRO has sought adjournment on the plea that as per the order of the Deputy Commissioner, Moga, the enquiry in appeal case No.514, 515, 666 & 866 of 2020 has been allotted and is being conducted by the DRO but since the enquiry has not yet been completed due to strike by the staff of their office.

The appellant is absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **25.04.2022 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, **Moga.** The appellant to appear at Chandigarh.

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

CC to Deputy Commissioner, Moga

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Sh. Rajinder Sofat, H. No.463/3-A, Sector-53, Mohali.

Vs

.....Appellant

**Public Information Officer,** O/o GMADA, Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,** O/o GMADA, Mohali.

.....Respondent

#### Appeal case No.50 of 2020

#### PRESENT: None for the Appellant None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The case was first heard on 16.09.2020. The respondent present pleaded that information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 23.03.2020 with a copy submitted to the Commission. The Commission had received a copy of the reply on 27.05.2020.

The appellant was absent nor had communicated any discrepancies. The appellant was directed to point out the discrepancies if any to the PIO with a copy to the Commission and the PIO was directed to relook at the RTI application and remove the discrepancies.

On the date of the next hearing on 24.11.2020, the respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant informed that he has received the information but with a delay of more than one year.

The respondent claimed that the RTI application was not received in their branch and once they received the notice of the Commission dated 20.02.2020 along with the RTI application, the information was supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 23.03.2020. The respondent was directed to provide an affidavit stating the above-said statement i.e that their office did not receive this particular RTI application, the reason for which it could not be tended to.

The PIO was also directed to investigate if the RTI application was received by the office, and how it failed to land on the desk of the concerned PIO. To file a detailed reply.

On the date of the hearing on **01.02.2021**, the respondent was absent and vide email has sought exemption stating that the maximum staff of GMADA is on election duty. The PIO had also sent a list of persons on election duty which was taken on the file of the Commission.

The case was adjourned.

On the date of the hearing on **12.05.2021**, both the parties were absent.

The information had been provided. However, the PIO did not file a detailed reply on the matter of investigation of the RTI application. The PIO was given one last opportunity and directed to investigate if the RTI application was received by the office, and how it failed to land on the desk of the concerned PIO

On the date of last hearing on **23.08.2021**, both the parties are absent. The case was adjourned.

#### Hearing dated 14.12.2021:

**The case** has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. Both the parties are absent.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **23.03.2022 at 11.00 AM through video con**ference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.

Chandigarh Dated :14.12..2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner



Sh.Harpal Singh, S/o Late Sh.Bawa Singh AliasBaru S/o Sh.Jetha, R/o Village Kumbra, Tehsil & Dist. Mohali

..... Appellant

Respondent

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o EO, GMADA, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority, O/o EO. GMADA, Mohali.

#### Appeal case No.410 of 2020

#### PRESENT: Sh.Harpal Singh as the Appellant None for the Respondent

#### ORDER: Facts of the case:-

That the appellant through RTI application dated 05.09.2019 has sought information regarding providing of plots in lieu of land acquired Khasra No.429/2 relating to Sh.Bawa s/o Jethu – letter No.29620 dated 09.08.2018, letter No.26871 dated 18.07.2018, letter No.26919 dated 18.07.2018, letter no.29620 dated 09.08.2018, letter no.41308 dated 15.11.2018 etc. and other information concerning the office of EO-GMADA Mohali. The appellant was not satisfied with the information provided by the PIO vide letter dated 18.10.2019 after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 11.12.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

That the case was first heard on 16.09.2020. The respondent present pleaded that information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 18.10.2019 with a copy submitted to the Commission.

The appellant stated that the information was not clear. The respondent informed that the information relates to the Estate Officer, GMADA. The appellant was directed to point out the discrepancies in writing to the PIO with a copy to the Commission and the respondent was directed to remove the same. If the information is not in the custody of EO-GMADA, the respondent was directed to procure it from the concerned PIO and provide it to the appellant.

That on the date of hearing on 24.11.2020, the appellant was absent and the vide letter received in the Commission on 23.11.2020 informed that the PIO has not provided the information.

As per the respondent, the appellant had pointed out the discrepancies on 20.11.2020. The respondent assured to remove the discrepancies within 15 days. The PIO was directed to remove the discrepancies within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

That on the date of hearing on 01.02.2021, the respondent pleaded that as per the facts of the case a reply has been sent to the appellant.

The appellant was absent. The case was adjourned.

That on the date of hearing on **12.05.2021**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the complete information/removed the discrepancies as pointed out on 20.11.2020.

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The respondent was absent nor had complied with the order of the Commission. Since there was a delay of more than one year and eight months in providing the information and the PIO is not complying with the order of the Commission, the PIO was issued a **show-cause notice under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file a reply on an affidavit.** The PIO was again directed to remove the discrepancies and provide complete information to the appellant within 10 days of the receipt of this order.

That on the date of the last hearing on **23.08.2021**, both the parties were absent. The PIO was given one last opportunity to file a reply to the show-cause notice otherwise it will be presumed that the PIO has nothing to say in the matter and the decision will be taken ex-party.

That the case has come up for hearing **today** through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. As per the appellant, the PIO has not removed the discrepancies as pointed out on 20.11.2020.

The respondent is absent nor has sent a reply to the show-cause notice as well as not complied with the order of the Commission to sort out the discrepancies. It means that the PIO has nothing to say on the matter.

Since the responsibility to ensure the timely transmission of the information to the appellant lies on the PIO, and Sh.Gurvinder Singh was the PIO when the show cause was issued on 12.05.2021, Sh.Gurvinder Singh-PIO-EO-GMADA is hereby held guilty for not providing the complete information as ordered on 20.11.2020 He is held guilty of repeated defiance of the orders of the Punjab State Information Commission to provide the information.

Hence, given the above facts a penalty of **Rs.10,000/-** is imposed on Sh.Gurvinder Singh-PIO-EO-GMADA Mohali which will be deposited in the Govt. Treasury. The PIO is directed to duly inform the Commission about the compliance of the orders by producing a copy of the challan as evidence of depositing the penalty in the Govt Treasury.

The PIO is again directed to sort out the discrepancies within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

To come up for further hearing on **23.03.2022 at 11.00 AM** through a video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.

Chandigarh Dated :14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

Sh.Rajeshwar Sharma. Kothi No-584, Phase-4, Mohali.

...Appellant

..... Respondent

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o GMADA, Mohali.

PRESENT:

First Appellate Authority, O/o GMADA, Mohali.

#### Appeal case No.3040 of 2019 Sh.Rajeshwar Sharma as the Appellant None for the Respondent

#### ORDER: Facts of the case:-

That the appellant through the RTI application dated 15.05.2019 has sought information regarding action taken on his request No.9880 dated 18.03.2019 and other information concerning the office of GMADA Mohali. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 20.06.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

That the case has already been heard on 08.12.2019, 24.02.2020, 16.09.2020, 24.11.2020, 01.02.2021, 12.05.2021 and 23.08.2021.

That on the date of hearing on 24.11.2020, hearing both the parties, the PIO was directed to provide all notings/documents that have been created to arrive at the decision that has been supplied to the appellant. The appellant was directed to visit the office of the PIO by fixing a mutually convenient time and resolving the matter.

**That on** the date of hearing on 01.02.2021 & 12.05.2021, the respondent was absent. The appellant informed that he visited the office of PIO on 16.01.2021 and requested the concerned branch to provide notings/documents created to support the decision provided to the appellant but nothing was provided.

The PIO was given one last opportunity to provide the said document, and if no such document exists, to give an affidavit.

That on the date of last hearing on 23.08.2021, both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

That the case has come up for hearing **today t**hrough video conferencing at DAC Mohali. As per the appellant, the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent is absent on the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive hearing nor has complied with the order of the Commission.

Keeping the above-mentioned facts of the case, it is clear that the PIO-GMADA, Mohali is flouting the spirit of the RTI Act continuously. The PIO has not only shown utter



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disregard for the Commission's repeated orders to provide the information but has shown willful stubbornness in not appearing before the commission despite various orders of the Commission.

To secure an erring PIO's presence before the commission, the Information Commission is empowered to issue warrants to the PIO Under Section 18(3) of the RTI Act. A bailable Warrant of the PIO-GMADA Mohali is hereby issued through Senior Superintendent of Police, Mohali for his presence before the Commission on **23.03.2022**.

To come up for further hearing on **23.03.2022 at 11.00 AM**.

Chandigarh Dated :14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

### BAILABLE WARRANT OF PRODUCTION BEFORE SHRI KHUSHWANT SINGH STATE INFORMATION COMMISSIONER, PUNJAB AT CHANDIGARH

In case:Rajeshwar Sharma V/s PIO-GMADA Mohali

## APPEAL CASE NO.3040/2019

## UNDER SECTION 18 OF THE RIGHT TO INFORMATION ACT, 2005

Next Date of Hearing:23.03.2022

# The Senior Superintendent of Police, Mohali

Whereas PIO-GMADA Mohali has failed to appear before the

State Information Commissioner, Punjab despite the issuance of notice/summon in the above mentioned appeal case. Therefore, you are hereby directed to serve this bailable warrant to the PIO-GMADA Mohali to appear before the undersigned at Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Sector 16, Chandigarhon **23.03.2022 at 11.00A.M.** 

Chandigarh Dated:14.12.2021 (Khushwant Singh) State InformationCommissioner

Versus

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Sh. Shambhu Nath, # 515, Rama Street,Near Arya Girls School, Moga.

... Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chief Medical Officer-Cum- Civil Surgeon, Moga.

**First Appellate Authority,** O/o Director, Health and Family Welfare, Sector-34, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 2642 of 2021

#### PRESENT: Sh.Shambhu Nath as the Appellant None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 06.01.2021 has sought information regarding the purchase of computers, printers, toners cartridges during 01.01.2018 till date including rates of each item alongwith procedure of purchase –rates/size/quality of advertisement material purchased or got prepared such as flex, boards, pamphlets, books etc. – name and designation of the officer assigned the duties of the registrar and deputy registrar of birth and deaths and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of CMO-cum-Civil Surgeon, Moga. The appellant was asked by the PIO vide letter dated 10.01.2021 to deposit the requisite fee of Rs.2248/- which the appellant did not deposit and filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 24.12.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Moga. The appellant informed that the PIO has raised a fee of Rs.2248/- for the supply of photocopies of the bills and postal charges whereas he has sought only Govt. rules/notification/guidelines related to the required information vide para 4 of the application dated 06.01.2021.

The respondent is absent nor is represented.

The PIO is directed to provide information to the appellant within 15 days of the receipt of the order otherwise the Commission will be constrained to initiate action under section 20 of the RTI Act.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **14.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Moga.

Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021



Sh. Kanwaljit Singh, S/o Sh Gurcharan Singh, R/o VPO Maheshri, Tehsil & Distt Moga.

Versus

#### Public Information Officer,

O/o District Food Supply Officer, Moga.

#### First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Controller, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Moga. ... Appellant

...Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 2871 of 2021

#### PRESENT: Sh.Kanwaljit Singh as the Appellant Sh.Dev Rattan Singh, AFSO for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 10.03.2021 has sought information regarding a copy of the order of the inspectors for inspecting the ration depots No.254, 496 of village Chotia Kalan, depot No. 145 & 483 of village Kahan Kalan, depot No.114 of village Khukhrna Kalan from 01.01.2014 to 15.02.2017 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of DFSC, Moga. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed first before the First Appellate Authority on 19.04.2021 which took no decision on the appeal. After filing the appeal, the PIO sent a reply to the appellant on 20.04.2021 to which the appellant was not satisfied and filed 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission on 22.06.2021.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Moga. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information.

As per the respondent, the information up to the year 2016 is missing.

The PIO is directed to trace the record and provide whatever information is available to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the commission. If the information is untraceable, an enquiry be conducted and responsibility be fixed as per the rules.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **14.03.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Moga.

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission



Sh Ved Parkash, R/o D/112, Street NO-4, Inderpuri, Kot Khalsa, Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,** O/o DCP, Amritsar.

**First Appellate Authority,** O/o Police Commissioner, Amritsar.

...Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 2883 of 2021

#### PRESENT: Sh.Ved Parkash as the Appellant Sh.Prem Singh SI for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 23.12.2020 has sought information regarding electric connection provided in all police stations under Punjab Police Amritsar – name and place of electric connection – penalty imposed by Punjab Power Corporation in the office/police stations of Punjab Police Amritsar from 01.06.2020 to 31.07.2020 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of DCP Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 15.03.2021 which disposed of the appeal on 06.04.2021.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent present pleaded that since the appellant has asked for information relating to electric connections installed in all offices, police chowkis and police stations coming under Punjab Police Amritsar which is not specific and has to be created, it cannot be provided as it does not come under section 2(f) of the RTI Act. The Commission has also received a reply from the PIO on 11.10.2021 which has been taken on the file of the Commission.

I am marking this case to Commissioner Police for reconciliation.

To come up for further hearing on **25.04.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission



Ms Kamaldeep Kaur, D/o Sh Pritpal Singh, VPO Gurmtala, Near Govt Dispensary, Amritsar.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o NRI, Police Station, Macleod Road, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o NRI Police Station, Macleod Road, Amritsar.

...Respondent

... Appellant

#### Appeal Case No. 2844 of 2021

#### PRESENT: Ms.Kamaldeep Kaur as the Appellant Sh.Sandeep Kumar, ASI for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 13.03.2021 has sought information regarding complaint No.1828000 dated 15.07.2020 – a copy of the agreement of Balraj Kaur with Gurmeet Singh – a copy of panchayat resolution and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of NRO Police Station Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 15.04.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent present pleaded that they received the RTI application of the appellant for seeking information relating to the complaint UID No.1828000 dated 15.07.2020 and since the information relates to the PIO-cum-ADGP(NRI Wing), SAS Nagar, Mohali, the RTI application was sent to them vide letter dated 22.04.2021 and the appellant was informed of the same telephonically.

The PIO-ADGP(NRI Wing), SAS Nagar, Mohali is impleaded in the case and directed to look at the RTI application forwarded by Police Station-NRI Amritsar vide letter dated 22.04.2021 and provide the information to the appellant.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **25.04.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission

CC to PIO-ADGP(NRI Wing) Phase-VII, SAS Nagar, Mohali



Ms Kamaldeep Kaur, D/o Sh Pritpal Singh, VPO Gurmtala, Near Govt Dispensary, Amritsar.

**Public Information Officer,** 

O/o NRI, Police Station, Macleod Road, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o NRI Police Station, Macleod Road, Amritsar.

...Respondent

... Appellant

#### Appeal Case No. 2842 of 2021

#### PRESENT: Ms.Kamaldeep Kaur as the Appellant Sh.Sandeep Kumar, ASI for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 13.03.2021 has sought information regarding a copy of complaint No.1828000 – statement of both parties – documents attached with a complaint by both parties – enquiry report and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of NRO Police Station Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 15.04.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

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The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent present pleaded that they received the RTI application of the appellant for seeking information relating to the complaint UID No.1828000 dated 15.07.2020 and since the information relates to the PIO-cum-ADGP(NRI Wing, SAS Nagar, Mohali, the RTI application was sent to them vide letter dated 22.04.2021 and the appellant was informed of the same telephonically.

The PIO-ADGP, SAS Nagar, Mohali is impleaded in the case and directed to look at the RTI application forwarded by Police Station-NRI Amritsar vide letter dated 22.04.2021 and provide the information to the appellant as per the provisions of the RTI Act..

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **25.04.2022** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Chandigarh Dated: 14.12.2021 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission

CC to PIO-ADGP(NRI Wing) Phase-VII, SAS Nagar, Mohali