

Present: Complainant: Absent Respondent: Sh. Sanjay Kumar (XEN, Electrical), 9417440404

ORDER:

1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 30.04.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.

2. The complainant has approached the Commission under the provision of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

In complaint case under Section 18 of the RTI Act , 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information which is as under:- (31. We uphold the said contention and do not find any error in the impugned judgment of the High Court whereby it has been held that the Commissioner while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the said Act has no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for access to the information).

3. Since there is an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal available to the Complainant under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, which has not been availed in the instant case and the First Appellate Authority has not had the occasion to review the decision of the PIO, as envisaged under the RTI Act by passing a detailed well reasoned speaking order.

4. If, however, the complainant does not feel satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority, he will be at liberty to file a Second Appeal before the Commission under Section 19(3) of the RTI Act, 2005.

5. In view of the observations noted above, the instant case is remanded to the concerned First Appellate Authority. The appeal is disposed of accordingly, with the above observations.

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Sh. Mandeep Singh, (7814629366)

S/o Sh. Suwinder Singh. H No L-2/433, Gurnam Nagar, Street No 5, Suka Talab, Sultanwind Road, Amritsar.

.....Appellant/Complainant

.....Respondent

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Registrar of Societies & Firm, Punjab, Sector-17-C, Bays Building, Chandigarh.

Complaint Case No.536 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on : 10-03-2021 PIO replied on : -

Present: Complainant: Sh. Mandeep Singh Respondent: Sh. Jaswant Raj (APIO), 9464894934

ORDER:

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Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg, (9814230616) S/o Sh. Harbans Lal,

R/o Romana Street, Jaito, Tehsil Jaito, Distt Faridkot. Versus

.....Appellant/Complainant

.....Respondent

Public Information Officer O/o EO, Nagar Council, Sri Chamkaur Sahib.

Complaint Case No.566 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI	applicatior	filed o	n :	10-03-2021
PIO	replied on		:	15-04-2021

Present: Complainant: Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 04.05.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.

2. The complainant has approached the Commission under the provision of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

In complaint case under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information which is as under:- (31. We uphold the said contention and do not find any error in the impugned judgment of the High Court whereby it has been held that the Commissioner while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the said Act has no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for access to the information).

3. Since there is an alternative and efficacious remedy of first appeal available to the Complainant under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, which has not been availed in the instant case and the First Appellate Authority has not had the occasion to review the decision of the PIO, as envisaged under the RTI Act by passing a detailed well reasoned speaking order.

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5. In view of the observations noted above, the instant case is remanded to the concerned First Appellate Authority. The appeal is disposed of accordingly, with the above observations.

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.....Appellant/Complainant

.....Respondent

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o EO, Nagar Council, Sri Chamkaur Sahib.

Complaint Case No.567 of 2021 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI	applicatio	n filed on	:	10-03-2021
PIO	replied on		:	15-04-2021

Present: Complainant: Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 04.05.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.

2. The complainant has approached the Commission under the provision of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

In complaint case under Section 18 of the RTI Act , 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information which is as under:- (31. We uphold the said contention and do not find any error in the impugned judgment of the High Court whereby it has been held that the Commissioner while entertaining a complaint under Section 18 of the said Act has no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for access to the information).

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5. In view of the observations noted above, the instant case is remanded to the concerned First Appellate Authority. The appeal is disposed of accordingly, with the above observations.

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Chandigarh Dated: 15.09.2021