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**Sh. Rajpal Singh, DCFA,**

61, Sangat Singh Nagar,

Jalandhar 144008. Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer cum Superintendent (S.S.1)**

O/o Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,

Department Local Govt., Punjab,

Plot No. 3 Municipal Bhawan,

Sector-35 A, Chandigarh. Respondent

 **Complaint Case No. 1154 of 2017**

**Date of Institution: 23.10.2017**

**Date of Decision: 15.03.2018**

**Present:** Sh. Rajpal Singh, the complainant in person.

For the respondent: Ms. Manjeet Kaur (Senior Assistant).

**ORDER**

1. Respondent, Ms. Manjeet Kaur states that requisite information comprising 31 pages has already been supplied to the complainant. He submits a letter no. 590 dated 14.03.2018 signed by PIO cum Superintendent addressed to the complainant, Sh. Rajpal Singh stating that whatever information is available in the official record, which is supplied to the applicant but the applicant is not satisfied with the supplied information. In that letter he further mentioned that applicant can file fresh RTI to collect the information relates with 4, 9, 14 years ACP. It is taken on record.
2. Applicant, Sh. Rajpal Singh states that only 11th page is relevant from the supplied information.
3. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, I found that requisite information as per the RTI application has already been supplied to the applicant and no further cause of action is required in this case. Therefore, the instant appeal case is **disposed of & closed** with the advice to the applicant if he required any other information other than the RTI application; file a fresh RTI to the concerned office.
4. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(12:00 Noon) State Information Commissioner**

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**Sh. Yogesh Aggarwal**

Senior Citizen & RTI Activists.

Gali Vaid Tirath Ram, Opp. Civil

Hospital Moga -142001 (94175-33921) Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary, District BAR Association,

Moga 142001.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o President, District BAR Association,

Moga 142001. Respondent

**APPEAL CASE NO. 2055 of 2017**

**Present:** Nobody on the behalf of the applicant.

For the respondent: Advocate, Gurmanpreet Singh.

**ORDER**

1. Respondent, Advocate, Gurmanpreet Singh submits a written reply dated 15.03.2018 in connection with Appeal Case No. 2055 of 2017 and Appeal Case no. 2121 of 2017 signed by Sh. Devinder Singh Sandhu, President, District Bar Association, Moga and Sh. Arun Sood, Vice President, District Bar Association, Moga stating that District Bar Association Moga is neither established, constituted, owned, controlled or substantially financed by funds provided directly or indirectly by the Central Government or by the State Government nor is a body or institution of self Government constituted by any law made by Parliament or by State Legislature or by the notification issued or order made by the Government. It is taken on record.
2. Applicant, Sh. Yogesh Aggarwal intimated the undersigned bench through telephonic message that he will be late for today’s hearing.
3. After discussing with the respondent and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to send the reply as submitted to the Commission through registered post to the applicant before the next date of hearing.
4. Applicant, Sh. Yogesh Aggarwal is directed to go through the reply, once he has received the reply from the respondent. He is also advised to reach in time on the next date of hearing to clear the facts positively, failing to which case will be decided in his absence.

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**APPEAL CASE NO. 2055 of 2017**

1. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **25.04.2018 at 11:00 AM.**
2. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(12:00 Noon) State Information Commissioner**

**Note:** After the hearing was over, applicant, Sh. Yogesh Aggarwal appeared and read out the above said order.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Sh. Sunil Mittal,**

H. No. 815, Ahata Badan Singh

Moga -142001 (98883-70522) Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,

Moga -142001.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Deputy Inspector General of Police,

Ferozepur. Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2074 of 2017**

**Date of Institution:26.07.2017**

**Date of Decision : 15.03.2018**

**Present:** Nobody on the behalf of the applicant.

For the respondent: Sh. Nek Singh (Head Constable) along with Sh. Sukhpal Singh (Head Constable, Thana City).

**ORDER**

1. Respondent, Sh. Nek Singh states that requisite information has already eben supplied to the applicant through registered post dated 10.02.2018. He also states that no deficiency has been pointed out by the applicant. He submits a copy of postal receipt, which is taken on record.
2. Applicant, Sh. Sunil Mittal is not present for today’s hearing but an email has been received to the undersigned bench dated 15.03.2018 regarding the deficiencies in the supplied information and requested for an adjournment. It is taken on record.
3. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, it is found that requisite information has already been supplied to the applicant as per his RTI application and no further cause of action is required in this case. Hence, the instant appeal case is **disposed of & closed.**
4. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

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Senior Citizen & RTI Activists.

Gali Vaid Tirath Ram, Opp. Civil

Hospital Moga -142001 (94175-33921) Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary, District BAR Association,

Moga 142001

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o President, District BAR Association,

Moga 142001 Respondent

**Appeal case No. 2121 of 2017**

**Present:** Nobody on the behalf of the applicant.

For the respondent: Advocate, Gurmanpreet Singh.

**ORDER**

1. Respondent, Advocate, Gurmanpreet Singh submits a written reply dated 15.03.2018 in connection with Appeal Case No. 2055 of 2017 and Appeal Case no. 2121 of 2017 signed by Sh. Devinder Singh Sandhu, President, District Bar Association, Moga and Sh. Arun Sood, Vice President, District Bar Association, Moga stating that District Bar Association Moga is neither established, constituted, owned, controlled or substantially financed by funds provided directly or indirectly by the Central Government or by the State Government nor is a body or institution of self Government constituted by any law made by Parliament or by State Legislature or by the notification issued or order made by the Government. Original written reply is taken on record in Appeal Case no. 2055 of 2017. A copy of the same is taken on record in this case.
2. Applicant, Sh. Yogesh Aggarwal intimated the undersigned bench through telephonic message that he will be late for today’s hearing.
3. After discussing with the respondent and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to send the reply as submitted to the Commission through registered post to the applicant before the next date of hearing.
4. Applicant, Sh. Yogesh Aggarwal is directed to go through the reply, once he has received the reply from the respondent. He is also advised to reach in time on the next date of hearing to clear the facts positively, failing to which case will be decided in his absence.

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**APPEAL CASE NO. 2121 of 2017**

1. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **25.04.2018 at 11:00 AM.**
2. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(12:00 Noon) State Information Commissioner**

**Note:** After the hearing was over, applicant, Sh. Yogesh Aggarwal appeared and read out the above said order.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018 State Information Commissioner**

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**Sh. Dilbagh Singh, S/o Sh. Mohinder Singh**

**(Regd. Post)** VPO – Palheri, Tehsil Kharar

District Mohali – (81969-38337). Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer/APIO**

**(Regd. Post)** O/o Divisional Engineer, Lining Division No. 8,

Punjab Water Resource Management and

Development Corp. Ltd, Bathinda.

**First Appellate Authority**

**(Regd. Post)** O/o Divisional Engineer, Linning Division No. 8,

Punjab Water Resource Management and

Development Corp. Ltd, Bathinda.

**Public Information Officer/APIO**

**(Regd. Post)** O/o Civil Surgeon,

Bathinda. Respondent

 **Appeal Case No. 2536 of 2017**

**Present:** Sh. Dilbagh Singh, the applicant in person.

Nobody on the behalf of respondent.

**ORDER**

1. Applicant, Sh. Dilbagh Singh states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent.
2. Respondent PIO is not present for today’s hearing but he (Dr. Kundan Kumar Pal) intimated the undersigned bench through telephonic message that he is unable to attend today’s hearing and requested for an adjournment. He also intimate that he sent an email in this regard.
3. After hearing the applicant and examining the case file, I found an email have been received from the respondent (Civil Surgeon- csofficebathinda@gmail.com) consisting a copy of letter no. 205 dated 14.03.2018 signed by Dr. Kundan Kumar Pal, PIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Bathinda stating that requisite information is old and reuqtsed to give some more time and a copy of letter dated 14.03.2018 signed by PIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Bathinda stating that “I was respondent in the above mentioned RTI appeal case for date 15.03.2018 in your hon’ble Court but due to an urgent work I cannot attend the court today. Kindly adjourn the case for another date.” It is taken on record.

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**Appeal Case No. 2536 of 2017**

Another email received from respondent (Deepinder Singh- deepinder776@gmail.com) consisting a copy of letter no. 534 dated 13.03.2018 signed by PIO (APIO), O/o Divisional Engineer, Lining Division No. 8, Punjab Water Resource Management and Development Corp. Ltd, Bathinda stating that he is unable to attend today’s hearing due to urgent official work and requsted for an adjournment. It is also taken on record.

1. After discussing with the applicant, he states that original bills were handed over in the respondent’s office and no other copy is available with him. A copy of letter no. 205 dated 14.03.2018 is handed over to him during the hearing.
2. Request of the respondent is granted; another opportunity is given to the respondent
PIOs to appear in person on the next date of hearing along with directions to file an affidavit stating that requisite information (regarding bills etc.) is not available in the official record along with reason why requisite information is not available.
3. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **25.04.2018 at 11:00 AM.**
4. Copy of this order be sent to the parties through **registered post** for their ready reference.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(12:00 Noon) State Information Commissioner**

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**Sh. Jang Bahadur S/o Sh. Jai Chand,**

**(Regd. Post)** R/o Mandi Ameenganj, Roranwali,

Tehsil and District Fazilka (98768-18803) Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o SE, W/S and Sanitation Division,

Ferozepur.

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary, Department of W/S

And Sanitation Punjab, Mini Secretariat,

Sector 9, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o CE (Central),

Punjab W/S and Sanitation Department,

Patiala. Respondent

 **Appeal Case No. 2972 of 2017**

**Present:** Nobody on the behalf of the applicant.

For the respondent: Sh. Sukhminder Singh (JE).

**ORDER**

1. Respondent, Sh. Sukhminder Singh is present or today’s hearing states that requisite information has already been supplied to the applicant.
2. Applicant, Sh. Jung Bahadur is not present for today’s hearing but an email has been received from the applicant by the undersigned bench dated 12.03.2018 (Email ID- deepakmudgil1@gmail.com) consisting a letter signed by the applicant, Sh. Jung Bahadur stating that requisite information has not been supplied to him by the respondent PIO till date. In that letter he further mentioned that respondent, Sh. Sukhminder Singh informed the Commission that requisite information has been supplied to the applicant in appeal case no. 2363 of 2017 but no file notice has been supplied in that case. It is taken on record.
3. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, I found that applicant was absent on previous hearings held on 12.12.2017, 23.01.2018 and 15.03.2018 i.e. today. On hearing held on 23.01.2018, last opportunity was given to the applicant, Sh. Jung Bahadur to represent this case in person on next date of hearing i.e. today but the applicant failed do so. One more opportunity is given to the applicant to appear in person on the next date of hearing to represent his case, failing to which case will be closed. A copy of this order be sent to him through **registered post.**

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**Appeal Case No. 2972 of 2017**

1. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **25.04.2018 at 11:00 AM.**
2. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(12:00 Noon) State Information Commissioner**

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**Sh. Tarsem Lal Jindal (Neeli Chatri Wala)**

**(Regd. Post)** H. No. 306, Aastha Colony, Dhanaula Road,

Barnala, Punjab (98551-51985) Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab,

Plot No. 3 Municipal Bhawan,

Sector-35 A, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab,

Plot No. 3 Municipal Bhawan,

Sector-35 A, Chandigarh. Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 2992 of 2017**

**Present:** Sh. Jarnail Singh, the applicant in person.

For the respondent: Sh. Sandeep Singh (SA-O/o Director, Local Govt., Chandigarh).

 **ORDER**

1. Respondent, Sh. Sandeep Singh states that their department is not dealing hand in this case. He also mentioned that applications/letters received in their offices transferred to the concerned departments after assigning the diary number to them.
2. Applicant, Sh. Tarsem Lal Jindal is not present for today’s hearing but a letter has been received from him by the undersigned bench vide diary no. 4742 dated 08.03.2018 sttaing that he is unable to attend today’s hearing and requested for an adjournment. In that letter he further added that no information has been supplied to him till date and has not been decided by the First Appellate Authority till yet. It is taken on record.
3. After hearing the respondent and examining the case and examining the case file, I found that on the last hearing held on 23.01.2018 **PIO, Office of Special Secretary, Local Government Department, Local Government-2 Branch, Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 03, Sector-35 A, Chandigarh** was impleaded as necessary party in this case. A copy of previous order along with RTI application was sent to him through registered post along with last opportunity with directions to represent this case in person or through any of his representative(s) but the respondent PIO failed to do so.

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**Appeal Case No. 2992 of 2017**

1. In view of the above, PIO of office of PIO, Office of Special Secretary, Local Government Department, Local Government-2 Branch, Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 03, Sector-35 A, Chandigarh will **Show Cause** under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of this order to be sent to PIO, O/o Secretary, District BAR Association, Moga through **registered post** along with RTI request.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission 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 proceedings against him ex-parte.

1. A copy of this order be sent to PIO, Office of Special Secretary, Local Government Department, Local Government-2 Branch, Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 03, Sector-35 A, Chandigarh through **registered post**.
2. Applicant, Sh. Tarsem Lal Jindal is also advised to represent this case in person or through any of his representative(s) on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case.
3. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **25.04.2018 at 11:00 AM.**
4. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(11:30 AM) State Information Commissioner**

**(Regd. Post)**

**Public Information Officer (By Name)**

O/o Special Secretary,

Local Government Department,

Local Government -2 Branch,

Punjab Municipal Bhawan, Plot No. 03,

Sector-35 A, Chandigarh

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**Sh. Varinder Kumar**

**(Regd. Post)** S/o Sh. Satpal,

R/o Bhaipura, Tehsil Phul

District Bathinda Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

**(Regd. Post)** O/o SDO, Water Supply & Sanitation,

Bhagata Bhai, Bathinda Respondent

**COMPLAINT CASE NO. 1191 of 2017**

**Present:** Nobody present.

**ORDER**

1. Both the parties are absent without any intimation to the Commission for today’s hearing.
2. After examining the case file, it is found that on the last date of hearing held on 17.01.2018, both the parties were absent but a letter no. 1282 dated 19.12.2017 was received in the Commission from the respondent vide diary no. 28970 dated 20.12.2017 signed by SDE, Water Supply and Sanitation Sub Division, Bhagta Bhai ka at Bathinda along with a copy of letter no. 1276 dated 18.12.2017 and a copy of postal receipt dated 19.12.2017, which were taken on record. Another letter no. 12 dated 10.01.2018 was received in the Commission from the respondent vide diary no. 1131 dated 15.01.2018 signed by SDE, Water Supply and Sanitation Sub Division, Bhagta Bhai ka at Bathinda along with supporting documents, which were taken on record.

It was also found that requisite information had been supplied to the complainant by the respondent. Another opportunity was given to the complainant to represent this case in person or through any of his representative(s) on the next date of hearing positively to clear the facts of this case otherwise the case will be decided in his absence but the complainant failed to do so.

1. Last opportunity is given to the complainant to represent this case in person or through any of his representative(s) on the next date of hearing, failing to which case will be closed.
2. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **25.04.2018 at 11:00 AM.**
3. Copy of this order be sent to the parties through **registered post** for their ready reference.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(12:00 Noon) State Information Commissioner**

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**Sh. Surinder Singh**

S/o Sh. Ram Singh

R/o Village Kot Ahmad Dhandi,

Block Mamdot,

Tehsil Guruharshai, Distt. Ferozepur Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Panchayat Secretary,

Gram Panchayat, Kot Ahmad Dhandi,

Block Mamdot,

Tehsil Guruharshai, Distt. Ferozepur

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o DDPO,

Ferozepur Respondent

**APPEAL CASE NO. 3016 of 2017**

 **Date of Institution: 31.10.2017**

 **Date of Decision: 15.03.2018**

**Present:** Nobody present.

**ORDER**

1. Both the parties are absent without any intimation to the Commission for today’s hearing.
2. After examining the case file, I found that an email has been received from the respondent (Block Mamdot- blockmamdot@yahoo.com ), by the undersigned bench consisting a letter no. 7910 dated 14.03.2018 along with acknowledgement signed by the applicant, Sh. Surinder Singh stating that he has received the complete information and satisfied with the supplied information. It is taken on record.
3. As the information stands supplied and applicant, Sh. Surinder Singh is satisfied with the supplied information. No further cause of action is required. Hence, the instant appeal case is **disposed of & closed.**
4. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(12:00 Noon) State Information Commissioner**

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**Sh. Yogesh Mahajan**

Anti Corruption Council,

Opposite Water Tank, Municipal Market,

Mission Road, Pathankot Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o SDE, Water Supply & Sanitation,

Sub Division-2, Pathankot

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o SE, Water Supply and Sanitation,

Gurdaspur Respondent

**APPEAL CASE NO. 3058 of 2017**

**Date of Institution: 31.10.2017**

**Date of Decision: 15.03.2018**

**Present:** Nobody present.

**ORDER**

1. Respondent PIO is not present for today’s hearing but an email has been received from the respondent (water supply- narotsubdivision@gmail.com ), by the undersigned bench consisting a letter no. 273 dated 05.03.2018 stating that complete information has been supplied to Anti Corruption Council, Pathankot through letter no. 65 dated 18.01.2018, which is taken on record.
2. Applicant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan is not present or today’s hearing but a letter from the applicant has been received by the undersigned bench vide diary no. 5113 dated 13.03.2018 stating that information has been received from the PIO till date. It is taken on record.
3. As the information stands supplied. No further cause of action is required. Hence, the instant appeal case is **disposed of & closed.**
4. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh (Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla)**

**Dated: 15.03.2018(12:00 Noon) State Information Commissioner**