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Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



(Regd. Post) Sh. Darshan Singh Kang, Incharge RTI Wing,  
Anti Corruption Front (Regd.), Samrala, District Ludhiana (141114)  
M: 9464363290

Appellant

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The District Education Officer, (EE),  
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The District Education Officer (EE), Ludhiana.

Respondent

## **Appeal Case No. 4716 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. S.S. Kang is present.  
Ms. Asha Rani, BPEO, Mangat -2 along with Sh. Major Singh, Legal Assistant DEO Primary is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 14.06.2021, the date of First Appeal is 19.07.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 13.10.2021.

This case was fixed for 22.02.2022 but it couldn't be heard due to technical fault in the connection of network and is adjourned for today i.e. 15.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. S S Kang states that there are certain deficiencies in the supplied information.

On the other hand, the BPEO, Mangat -2, Ms. Asha Rani states whatever information has been received from the school has been sent to the Appellant. She further mentions about an email dated 02.03.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

After going through the case file it has been observed that other emails dated 17.02.2022, 22.02.2022 and 15.03.2022 have also been received from the department to the Commission, which is taken on record.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. S S Kang is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiency, if any, relating to supplied information to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email within 20 days, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

The Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant after removing the deficiencies **if any pointed out by the Appellant** and the PIO is further directed to submit the postal receipts to the Commission if information would be sent to the Appellant.

**If the concerned PIO along with concerned persons from the department would not appear on the next date of hearing in the Court then a strict action would be taken against the PIO concerned and if the Appellant would not appear in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the Appellant doesn't require the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.**

This case is adjourned to 29.06.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 29.06.2022 which is going to be heard in Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector- 16, Madhya Marg, Red Cross Building, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

Dated: 15.03.2022

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(Regd. Post) Ms. Shakuntla,  
# 71, W.No. 19, Secretary Mohalla, Gurdaspur (143521)  
M: 7009044254

Complainant

V/s.

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Block Elementary Education Officer,  
Dhariwal – II, Gurdaspur (143521)

Respondent

## **Complaint Case No. 1271 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

Present : The Complainant, Ms. Shankuntla is absent.  
None is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 23.07.2021 and the date of Complaint filed in the Commission is 09.11.2021.

This case was fixed for 22.02.2022 but it couldn't be heard due to technical fault in the connection of network and is adjourned for today i.e. 15.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Ms. Shankuntla is absent.

On the other hand, the PIO, none is present from the department. An email dated 03.02.2022 has been received from the department to the Commission and is taken on record.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that the Complainant, Ms. Shankuntla has pointed out deficiencies to the concerned department vide letter dated 03.02.2022 whose copy of the same has been received in the Commission vide diary number 2556 dated 09.02.2022, which is taken on record.

In view of above, concerned PIO is advised to **supply the point wise information as per RTI (after removing the deficiencies )** to the Complainant by registered post or email **along with a copy to the Commission** and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in writing in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Complainant till date, failing which a strict action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also advised to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Complainant **again**, by the next date of hearing.

The Complainant, Ms. Shankuntla is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, **failing which it would be presumed that she has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.**

This case is adjourned to **11.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **11.07.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.**

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Dated: 15.03.2022

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Sh. Vishal Mahajan,  
F – 13 / 1386 (B- 22), Gali # 08,  
Jagdamba Colony, Amritsar – I. (Punjab)

Complainant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Superintendent,  
Trust Service Cell,  
Superintendent, Directorate, Local Government,  
Punjab, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

Respondent

## **Complaint Case No. 1283 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Complainant, Sh. Vishal Mahajan is present.  
Sh. Anil Kumar, Senior Assistant from **Trust Service Cell** along with Sh. Sony, Clerk from **Recruitment Cell** is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 07.09.2021 and the date of Complaint filed in the Commission is 15.11.2021.

This case was fixed for 22.02.2022 but it couldn't be heard due to technical fault in the connection of network and is adjourned for today i.e. 15.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Vishal Mahajan states that incomplete information has been supplied to him. He further mentions about his letter dated 31.01.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Anil Kumar states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant. He further mentions about a letter dated 05.01.2022 and another letter vide endorsement number 34 dated 01.02.2022 and letter number 85 dated 28.02.2022 have been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On further having pointwise discussion with both the parties, it has been found that the information relating to point number 1,2,3,5 and 6 have been supplied to the Appellant and is found to be satisfactory to the undersigned. The PIO concerned is directed to supply the attested copy of information relating to point number 4 (i.e. attested list only except the concerned person's residential address and phone number) and relating to point number 7 of the RTI the representative of the Respondent / PIO states that the concerned person i.e. Vishal Sharma has given the consent not to supply his information, **to which the concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant relating to point number 7 (as per Applicant's RTI).**

The PIO is also advised to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Complainant, by the next date of hearing.

The Complainant, Sh. Vishal is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, **failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.**

This case is adjourned to 11.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 11.07.2022 which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.**

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Dated: 15.03.2022

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(Regd. Post)

Smt. Manjula,

H. No. 1086, Sector 26, Panchkula (M: 9988524299)

V/s.

Complainant

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Principal Secretary,

Local Govt. Sector 35-A, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondent

## **Complainant Case No. 1279 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Complainant, Smt. Manjula is present.

None is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 04.10.2021 and the date of Complaint filed in the Commission is 15.11.2021.

This case was fixed for 22.02.2022 but it couldn't be heard due to technical fault in the connection of network and is adjourned for today i.e. 15.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Smt. Manjula states that no information has been supplied to her.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that a letter vide endorsement number 683 dated 21.02.2022 has been received in the Commission which shows that the Department of Local Govt., Vigilance Cell Branch has directed the Department of Local Govt., LG -3 Branch to attend the hearing and supply the information to the Complainant accordingly. But no one appears from the department relating to this present case.

### **Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent/ PIO.**

In view of above, concerned PIO is advised to **supply the point wise information as per RTI** to the Complainant by registered post or email **along with a copy to the Commission** and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in writing in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Complainant till date, failing which a strict action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also advised to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Complainant **again**, by the next date of hearing.

The Complainant, Smt. Manjula is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, **failing which it would be presumed that she has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.**

**A copy of the order be sent to the Department of Local Govt., Vigilance Cell Branch and the Department of Local Govt., LG -3 Branch through registered post for compliance of the above said order.**

This case is adjourned to **17.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **17.05.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.**

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**Dated: 15.03.2022**

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Punjab

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Director,

Department of Local Govt. Punjab (Vigilance Cell) Sector 35-A, Punjab, Chandigarh.

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Director,

Department of Local Govt. Punjab (Local Govt. 3 Branch) Sector 35-A, Punjab, Chandigarh.

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Sh. Gurmel Singh Nahar (Advocate),  
Deputy Advocate General,  
Fourth Floor, Near Public Lift Court Complex, Ludhiana.  
M: 93162-75973

Appellant

V/s.

**(Regd. Post)**Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Financial Commissioner,  
Rural Development and Panchayat Department,  
Sector 62, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Financial Commissioner,  
Rural Development and Panchayat Department,  
Sector 62, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)

Respondent

## **Appeal Case No. 4278 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Gurmel Singh Nahar is absent.  
Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, Senior Assistant is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

The date of RTI Application is 06.07.2021, the date of First Appeal is 07.08.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 21.09.2021.

This case was fixed for 22.02.2022 but it couldn't be heard due to technical fault in the connection of network and is adjourned for today i.e. 15.03.2022.

In today's hearing, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Sukhwinder Singh states that the requisite information has been sent to the Appellant dated 17.09.2021.

On the other hand, the Appellant, Sh. Gurmel Singh is absent. A letter dated 17.02.2022 has been received in the Commission which shows that the deficiencies have been pointed out by the Appellant. On asking the Senior Assistant, Sh. Sukhwinder Singh if they have received the list of deficiencies i.e. letter dated 17.02.2022, **to which he denies the same.**

In view of above, letter dated 17.02.2022 along with a copy of this order be sent to the concerned department through registered post, so that the PIO could remove the deficiencies and supply the information to the Appellant as per RTI. The Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant after removing the deficiencies and the PIO is further directed to submit the postal receipts to the Commission if information would be sent to the Appellant.

This case is adjourned to **04.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **04.07.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.**

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Dated: 15.03.2022

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