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Shri Surinder Mittal,  
#302, Shaheed Udham Singh  
Nagar, Phagwara,  
District Kapurthala.

.....Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Punjab Urban Planning &  
Development Authority,  
Jalandhar.

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o District Town Planner,  
Kapurthala.

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Senior Town Planner,  
Jalandhar.

....Respondent

**CC No.105 of 2021**

- Present:**
- (i) **Shri Surinder Mittal, Complainant.**
  - (ii) **Shri Sanjeev Sharma, SDO O/o Jalandhar Development Authority,**
  - (iv) **Sh. Puneet Dagra, Assistant Town Planner O/o District Town Planner, Kapurthala on behalf of the PIO.**
  - (iii) **Shri Pardeep Kumar, Assistant Town Planner/APIO O/o Senior Town Planner, Jalandhar, respondent.**

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.04.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. The complainant attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that in spite of the directions of the Bench, nothing has been given by the respondent.
3. Shri Sanjeev Sharma, Sub Divisional Officer, O/o Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that the RTI application was transferred under Section 6(3) to District Town Planner, Kapurthala vide letter dated 09.01.2019. However, the District Town Planner, Kapurthala vide letter dated 30.01.2019 transferred the RTI application back to Jalandhar Development Authority. Thereafter, the said RTI application of the complainant has been transferred to the Senior Town Planner, Jalandhar under Section 6(3) of RTI Act.



4. Shri Puneet Dagra, Assistant Town Planner O/o District Town Planner, Kapurthala comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He refers to letter dated 10.06.2021 stating that the information sought by the complainant is third party information and accordingly, consent was sought from Mr. Naveen Gupta of M/s G-Marriot Resort, Phagwara, District Kapurthala to share the information but he has refused to share his information with the complainant and has also sent letter of the said person in this regard. Shri Pardeep Kumar, Assistant Town Planner O/o Senior Town Planner, Jalandhar comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He also reiterates the version of the representative of PIO O/o District Town Planner, Kapurthala.

5. The Bench, on perusal of the RTI application of the complainant observes that the information sought by the complainant is not third party and the information sought is definitely of public interest. As such, the contention of the PIO O/o D.T.P. Kapurthala is not accepted. The Bench directs the PIO, O/o J.D.A. Jalandhar, PIO O/o District Town Planner, Kapurthala and the PIO O/o Senior Town Planner, Jalandhar to supply the information to the complainant on the points relating to their respective offices and produce the relevant record before the Bench, on the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
15.06.2021**

**Sd/-  
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Shri Prem Kumar Rattan,  
H.No.78/8, Park Road,  
Navi Mandi, Dhuri,  
District Sangrur

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Addl. Superintending Engineer(Rural),  
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.  
Barnala.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-**

Sub Divisional Engineer,  
Distribution Circle, Punjab State Power  
Corporation Ltd.(PSPCL), Barnala.

...Respondents

**AC No.493/2021**

**Present:**

- (i) **Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, Appellant**
- (ii) **Shri Lakhvir Singh, Assistant Executive Engineer O/o Addl. Superintending Engineer, PSPCL, Barnala on behalf of PIO.**

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.04.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Prem Kumar Rattan appellant attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that as per the directions of the Bench dated 26.04.2021, he visited the office of the respondent on 17.05.2021 and deposited Rs. 130/- but the respondent has given irrelevant information to him.
3. Shri Lakhvir Singh, Assistant Executive Engineer, Sub Urban Division, PSPCL, Barnala comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that complete information as per official records has been provided to the appellant.
4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he has received incomplete information and he is not satisfied with the information supplied.
5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant will identify the information required by him on inspecting the records and the same will be provided by the PIO before the next hearing.

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6. After supplying the information, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.493/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2021 at 11.30 before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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.....Appellant

Versus

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O/o Deputy Chief Engineer,  
Distribution Division,  
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.  
(PSPCL), Bathinda.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o Deputy Chief Engineer,  
Distribution Division,  
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.  
(PSPCL), Bathinda.

...Respondents

**AC No.496/2021**

**Present:**

- (i) Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, Appellant
- (ii) Shri Kamaldeep Arora, Sr. XEN, PSPCL, Bhagta Bhai Ka, District Bathinda on behalf of PIO.

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.04.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, appellant attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has received the information on 20.05.2021 by hand and has requested that short adjournment may please be given to scrutinize the same.
3. Shri Kamaldeep Arora, Sr.XEN, O/o Dy. Chief Engineer, PSPCL Bathinda attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that as per official records, the information has been given to the appellant by hand on 20.05.2021.
4. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant will identify the information required by him on inspecting the records and the same will be provided by the PIO before the next hearing.

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**AC No.496/2021**

6. After supplying the complete information, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.496/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. On the request of the appellant, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2021 at 11.30 before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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S/o Late Shri Gurbachan Singh  
R/o 848-A, MIG Flats,  
Jamalpur Colony,  
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

....Respondents

**AC No.2434 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the Appellant**  
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

**ORDER:**

**( Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing in the case dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the appellant. He states that a letter dated 28.04.2021 has been received from the respondent and after going through the same, he has pointed out short comings to the PIO vide letter dated 04.05.2021 through email and by registered post but after that, there has been no response from the PIO.
3. Neither the PIO attends the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any other official to attend the hearing on his behalf. Shri Karanvir Singh Chhina, Secretary, RTA, Sangrur is contacted on mobile phone. On enquiring about the absence of PIO from the hearing, he states that he is not well and is also not aware about the facts of the case. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.
4. The Bench, on perusal of the case file, observes that the PIO O/o R.T.A. Sangrur has failed to deposit the penalty amount of Rs. 5000/- which was imposed upon him during the last hearing. The Bench further observes that the PIO was also issued show cause notice on the previous hearing. However, no reply to the show cause notice has been filed.



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5. The PIO is again directed to supply complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing as also to come in person to attend the hearing before the Bench at Chandigarh on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice as also to produce the evidence on account of deposit of the amount of penalty imposed.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2021 at 11.30 before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

....Respondents

**AC No.2437 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the Appellant**  
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

**ORDER:**

**( Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing in the case dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the appellant. He states that a letter dated 28.04.2021 has been received from the respondent and after going through the same, has pointed out short comings to the PIO vide letter dated 04.05.2021 through email or by registered post but after that, there has been no response from the PIO.
3. Neither the PIO attends the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any other official to attend the hearing on his behalf. Shri Karanvir Singh Chhina, Secretary, RTA, Sangrur is contacted on mobile phone. On enquiring about the absence of PIO from the hearing, he states that he is not well and is also not aware about the facts of the Case. This indifferent attitude of the PIO and the Department is viewed adversely.
4. The Bench, on perusal of the case file, observes that the PIO O/o R.T.A. Sangrur had failed to deposit the penalty amount of Rs. 5000/- which was imposed upon him during the last hearing. The Bench further observes that the PIO was also issued show cause notice on the previous hearing. However, no reply to the show cause notice has been filed.



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**AC No.2437/2020**

5. The PIO is again directed to supply complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing as also to come in person to attend the hearing before the Bench at Chandigarh on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice as also to produce the evidence on account of deposit of the amount of penalty imposed.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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.....Appellant

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O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

....Respondents

**AC No.2440 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the Appellant**  
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

**ORDER:**

**( Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing in the case dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh attends the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the appellant. He states that the appellant has not received any information till date.
3. Neither the PIO attends the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any other official to attend the hearing on his behalf. Shri Karanvir Singh Chhina, Secretary, RTA, Sangrur is contacted on mobile phone. On enquiring about the absence of PIO from the hearing, he states that he is not well and is also not aware about the facts of the Case. This indifferent attitude of the PIO and the Department is viewed adversely.
4. The Bench, on perusal of the case file, observes that the PIO O/o R.T.A. Sangrur has failed to deposit the penalty amount of Rs. 5000/- which was imposed upon him during the last hearing. The Bench further observes that the PIO was also issued show cause notice on the previous hearing. However, no reply to the show cause notice has been filed.



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**AC No.2440/2020**

5. The PIO is again directed to supply complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing as also to come in person to attend the hearing before the Bench at Chandigarh on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice as also to produce the evidence on account of deposit of the amount of penalty imposed.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o The Secretary,  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur.

....Respondents

**AC No.2443 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the appellant.**  
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER**

**( Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing of 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, representative of the appellant attends the hearing through Cisco Webex on his behalf. He states that the appellant has not received any information till date.
3. Neither the PIO attends the hearing through Cisco webex nor has deputed any other official to attend the hearing on his behalf nor any information has been supplied to the appellant. The PIO was also absent during the last hearing. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.
4. The PIO O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority is issued a show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him in the instant case. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.
5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing



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on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The PIO O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Ferozpur is also directed to call the appellant to his office on any working day by tying up with him, to allow the appellant access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after perusing the official records, will identify the information required by him. The information so identified by the appellant after inspection of records, will be supplied by the PIO to the appellant before the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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