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Shri Rakesh Kumar Singla, Voice Organisation (Regd), Opp. Tehsil Office, Lehragaga-148031, Distt. Sangrur.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/O Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/O Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1243 of 2017

Present: Shri Rakesh Kumar Singla, appellant in person.

Shri Dev Raj, Inspector, on behalf of respondents.

ORDER:

Heard.

- 2. On the last date of hearing on 06-09-2018, the appellant had stated that no information has been provided by the respondents even after the elapse of 20 months and he may be compensated for the harassment suffered by him during this long period.
- 3. The representative of respondents could not present his case before the court judiciously and remained silent when the appellant was stating that no information has been supplied.
- 4. Therefore, On the basis of statement made by the appellant in the court and the facts available in the case file, the respondents were directed to pay an amount of Rs. 4,000/- to the appellant as a compensation for the loss and detriment suffered by him for non supply of information.
- 5. However, on 11-10-2018, when Shri Dev Raj Inspector appeared on behalf of respondents, he brought to the notice of court that the information has been supplied twice- first on 06-02-2017 running into 16 pages and again on 02-06-2018 running into 23 pages. He pleaded that as the sought for information had already been supplied to the appellant, the compensation awarded to be paid to the appellant may be waived off. Therefore, on the basis of written submission of the respondents, the operation of order regarding payment of compensation was stayed till further orders and the case was adjourned for today.

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evidence.

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- 6. Today, both the parties are present. The appellant submits his written statement in the court which is taken on record and is placed in the case file. In his submission he has written that though he received the information supplied by respondents sent on 06-02-2017, but the supplied information is incorrect and has no concern with my RTI application. He has altogether denied that the respondents ever supplied him any information on 02-06-2018 running into 23 pages. The representative of respondents is asked to place on record the proof of having sent the information on 02-06-2018, but he could not produce any documentary
- After hearing both the parties, the record available in the case file is perused. It comes out that the appellant had put his RTI application with the respondent-PIO on 05-12-2016. Getting no reply from the respondents, he filed a first appeal with the first appellate authority on 25-01-2017. Thereafter, the respondents supplied some information on 06-02-2017. According to the appellant, the supplied information did not relate to his RTI application, and the appellant filed a second appeal with the Commission on 16-02-2017.
- 8. Accordingly, the notice for hearing was issued to the parties for 14-06-2017. The respondents supplied information on 02-06-2018 after elapse of almost 16 months. Taking the date of his filing RTI application into account i.e. 05-12-2016 and the last date of supply of information i.e. 02-06-2018, the respondents took almost 18 months to supply the information. Taking the foregoing facts in view, the order of payment of compensation amounting to Rs. 4,000/- is allowed to continue and the respondents are directed to make the payment to the appellant through D.D. before the next date of hearing.
- 9. The respondents are directed to submit a duly attested affidavit that the information, as available on the record, has already been supplied to the appellant and there is no more information available on the record of public authority. Adjourned.
- 10. To come up for further hearing on **19-12-2018 at 11.00 AM**.
- 11. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

Place: Chandigarh, Dated: 15-11-2018

Sd/-(Hem Inder Singh) State Information Commissioner

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...Appellant

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Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/O Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. Punjab, Department of Local Government, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer o/o Director Local Government, Punjab, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1237 of 2017

Versus

Present: Shri Rakesh Kumar Singla, appellant, in person.

Smt. Sudha Rani, Superintendent-cum-PIO and Shri Sandeep Kumar, Senior

Assistant on behalf of respondents.

ORDER:

Today, both the parties are present.

- 2. The respondent-PIO submits the information in the court which is handed over to the appellant and one copy of the same is retained in the case file for record.
- 3. The appellant submits his written arguments in the court which are taken on record.
- 4. After discussing the RTI application in the court, the case is ordered to be **disposed of and closed**.
- 5. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

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Distt. Sangrur.

Versus

Public Information Officer O/O Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.Punjab, Department of Local Government, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/O Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.Punjab, Department of Local Government, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer o/o Director Local Government, Punjab, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

...Appellant

Appeal Case No. 1238 of 2017

Present: Shri Rakesh Kumar Singla, appellant, in person.

Smt. Sudha Rani, Superintendent-cum-PIO and Shri Sandeep Kumar, Senior

Assistant on behalf of respondents.

ORDER:

Today, both the parties are present.

- 2. The respondent-PIO submits the information in the court which is handed over to the appellant and one copy of the same is retained in the case file for record.
- 3. The appellant submits his written arguments in the court which are taken on record.
- 4. After discussing the RTI application in the court, the case is ordered to be disposed of and closed.
- 5. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

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...Appellant

Sd/-

Versus

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First Appellate Authority, O/O Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. Punjab, Department of Local Government, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer o/o Director Local Government, Punjab, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1239 of 2017

Present: Shri Rakesh Kumar Singla, appellant, in person.

Smt. Sudha Rani, Superintendent-cum-PIO and Shri Sandeep Kumar, Senior

Assistant on behalf of respondents.

ORDER:

Today, both the parties are present.

- 2. The respondent-PIO submits the information in the court which is handed over to the appellant and one copy of the same is retained in the case file for record.
- 3. The appellant submits his written arguments in the court which are taken on record.
- 4. After discussing the RTI application in the court, the case is ordered to be **disposed of and closed**.
- 5. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

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Voice Organisation (REgd), Opp. Tehsil Office, Lehragaga-148031,

Distt. Sangrur.Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/O Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.Punjab, Department of Local Government, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/O Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.Punjab, Department of Local Government, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer o/o Director Local Government, Punjab, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1245 of 2017

Present: Shri Rakesh Kumar Singla, appellant, in person.

Smt. Sudha Rani, Superintendent-cum-PIO and Shri Sandeep Kumar, Senior

Assistant on behalf of respondents.

ORDER:

Today, both the parties are present.

- 2. The respondent-PIO submits the information in the court which is handed over to the appellant and one copy of the same is retained in the case file for record.
- 3. The appellant submits his written arguments in the court which are taken on record.
- 4. After discussing the RTI application in the court, the case is ordered to be **disposed of and closed**.
- 5. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

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.....Complainant

Public Information Officer, O/O Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur.

...... Respondent.

COMPLAINT CASE NO. 199 of 2018

Versus

Present: Shri Manjit Singh, complainant in person.

None on behalf of respondent.

ORDER:

Today, the complainant is present in the court who states that he has received the information and is satisfied with the supplied information. He requests the court to close the case.

- 2. Accordingly, the case is **disposed of and closed.**
- 3. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

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House No. 388/3, Dhandholian Street,
Patiala.Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/O Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.Respondent.

COMPLAINT CASE NO. 201 of 2018

Present: Shri Manjit Singh, complainant in person.

Shri Rajinderpal Singh, Accounts Manager, on behalf of respondent.

ORDER:

Today both the parties are present in the court.

- 2. The complainant states that though the respondent is not supplying the sought for information, he wants to withdraw his case so that he could approach the first appellate authority for getting the information.
- 3. Therefore, on the request of the complainant the case is **disposed of and closed.**
- 4. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Jagjeet Singh s/o Sh. Harmesh Singh, SCO No. 374, 2nd floor, Sector 37-D, Chandigarh.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/O Punjab Subordinate Services Selection Board, Forest Bhawan, Sector 68, SAS Nagar.

First Appellate Authority, O/O Secretary, Punjab Subordinate Services Selection Board, Forest Bhawan, Sector 68, SAS Nagar.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3229 of 2017

Present: None on behalf of appellant.

Shri Ram Lal, Steno, on behalf of respondents.

ORDER:

The representative of respondents reiterates his earlier stand that the sought for information has already been supplied to the appellant.

- 2. On the last date of hearing on 09-10-2018, the appellant appeared in the court after the hearing was over. He was handed over copy of the supplied information submitted by the respondent in the court.
- 3. Today he is absent without any intimation to the Commission. He is directed to be present in the court on the next date of hearing and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the provided information before the next date of hearing to the respondents. Adjourned.
- 4. To come up for further hearing on **19-12-2018 at 11.00 AM**.
- 5. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner

Place: Chandigarh, Dated: 15-11-2018

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Shri Harminder Singh Sandhu, Advocate, Chamber No. 329, New Court, Jalandhar.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/O Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority, O/O Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Jalandhar.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2447 of 2017

Present: None on behalf of appellant.

Shri Ravinder Kumar, Head Draftsman-cum-PIO on behalf of respondents.

ORDER:

As ordered on the last date of hearing on 09-10-2018, the respondent-PIO submits affidavit in the court.

- 2. The appellant is absent for the eighth time consecutively. On 05-09-2018 the appellant was directed to point out deficiencies, if any, to the supplied information.
- 3. The representative of respondents states that no letter has been received by their office from the appellant pointing out any deficiencies.
- 4. It is assumed that he might be satisfied with the supplied information. However, the respondents are directed to send the original affidavit to the appellant by registered post.
- 5. In the light of above facts, the case is ordered to be **disposed of and closed**.
- 6. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

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...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/O Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.Punjab, Department of Local Government, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/O Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.Punjab, Department of Local Government, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer o/o Director Local Government, Punjab, Sathanak Sarkar Bhawan, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1244 of 2017

Present: Shri Rakesh Kumar Singla, appellant, in person.

Smt. Sudha Rani, Superintendent-cum-PIO and Shri Sandeep Kumar, Senior

Assistant on behalf of respondents.

ORDER:

Today, both the parties are present.

- 2. The respondent-PIO submits the information in the court which is handed over to the appellant and one copy of the same is retained in the case file for record.
- 3. The appellant submits his written arguments in the court which are taken on record.
- 4. After discussing the RTI application in the court, the case is ordered to be disposed of and closed.
- 5. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Hem Inder Singh)

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... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/O Tehsildar, Rampura Phul, District Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority, O/O Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda.

Public Information Officer O/O Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda.

..... Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3178 of 2018

Present: Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant, in person.

Shri Kaur Singh, Steno, on behalf of respondents.

ORDER

Today both the parties are present.

- 2. The representative of respondents states that some of the information, which was available with their office, has already been supplied to the appellant. The rest of the information relates to the office of Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda.
- 3. The appellant admits that he has received incomplete information and requests the court to direct the PIO of office of Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda to provide the information relating to their part.
- 4. Therefore, the PIO of office of Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda is made Deemed-PIO and directed to be present in the court on the next date of hearing along with the information to be supplied to the appellant. Adjourned.
- 5. To come up for further hearing on **19-12-2018 at 11.00 AM.**
- 6. Copy of order be sent to the parties.

Place: Chandigarh, (Hem Inder Singh)
Dated: 15-11-2018
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CC: PIO of office of Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda.

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Shri Puran Chand s/o Shri Gian Chand, Village Muradapur, P.O. Sujanpur, Tehsil & Distt-Pathankot.

...Complainant.

Versus

Public Information Officer O/O XEN, Water Supply & Sanitation Division, Pathankot.

..... Respondent.

COMPLAINT CASE NO. 973 of 2018

Present: Shri Puran Chand, complainant in person.

Shri Sahil Saini, SDO on behalf of respondent.

ORDER:

Shri Puran Chand, complainant filed an RTI appeal dated 12-04-2018 with the PIO of office of Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Pathankot.

- 2. On receipt of application, the respondent-PIO supplied information to the complainant vide letter dated 14-05-2018.
- 3. Finding the provided information incomplete and incorrect, the complainant filed a complaint case in the Commission on 05-07-2018. Accordingly, a notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.
- 4. Today, both the parties are present.
- 5. The representative of respondent submits information in the court which is handed over to the complainant in the court.
- 6. After going through the provided information, the complainant expresses his satisfaction but at the same time states that the respondent has taken about five months to supply the information.
- 7. The respondent-PIO is warned to be careful in dealing with the RTI applications in future.
- 8. As the information stands supplied the case is **disposed of and closed**.
- 9. Copy of order be sent to the parties.