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Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (RTI Activist)
Ward No. 18, Street No. 2, Kartar Nagar,
Amloh Road, Khanna -141401

.....Appellant

..Vs

REGISTERED POST

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Engineer, MC, Mandi Gobindgarh

First Appellate Authority
o/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Government, Mini Sectt.
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana

Registered post
Public Information Officer
O/o Superintending Engineer
Municipal Corporation, Zirakpur

.....Respondent

AC No. 2652 of 2021
(in the commission)

Present : (i) Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia the appellant (in the Commission office)
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Gurjant Singh, JE, (9464156944) and Sh. Gurpreet Singh, APIO (9877626210)

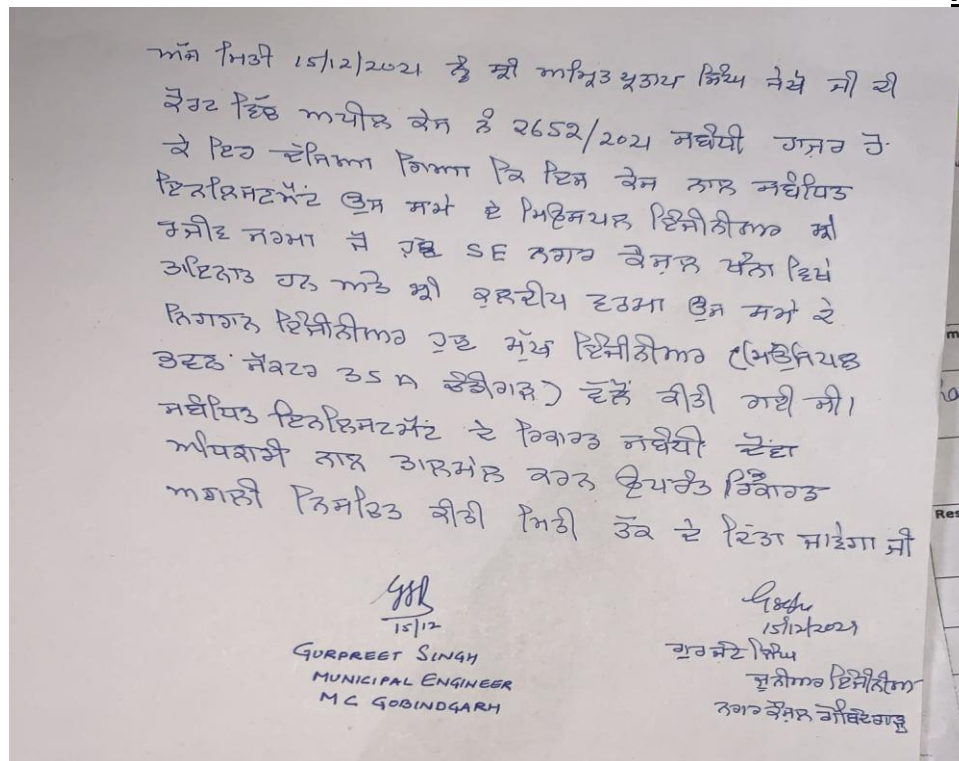
ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.09.2021 vide which PIO, o/o SE, Municipal Corporation, Zirakpur was impleaded as respondent no. 2.

2. Today the appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The respondent has filed his reply, which is as under:-



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4. After going through the above reply, Sh. Rajiv Sharma, S.E. Nagar Council, Khanna is directed to come present on the next date of hearing alongwith complete information. Today, the respondent No.1 is handed over the copy of enlistment certificate to the appellant before the Commission.

5. To come up on **27.12.2021 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
 State Information Commissioner
 Punjab

Dated :15.12.2021

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CC: Sh. Rajiv Sharma, S.E., Nagar Council, Khanna

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Sh. Dayal Singh Mann,
House No. 102, Sector 65, Phase 11,
Mohali - 160062

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, Mohali

First Appellate Authority,
O/o IGP, Roopnagar Range,
Roopnagar

.....Respondent

AC No. 3503 of 2021

Present: (i) Sh. Dayal Singh Mann the appellant (in the Commission)
(ii) For the respondent : Sh. Harjinder Singh , Sub Inspector (9915716203) in the Commission

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.11.2021 vide which the appellant stated that he has received complete information except point no. 6.

2. Today Sh. Dayal Singh Mann, the appellant states that he has not received the information pertaining to point no. six i.e. *provide the copy of the compact Disc alongwith the video/audio proofs which were submitted against the 5 accused in the complaint, as submitted by the complainant so far.*

3. The respondent Sh. Harjinder Singh states that the information pertaining to point no. 6 cannot be provided to the appellant.

4. The respondent is directed to file reply indicating the position as to whether the information has been supplied and if not, the reason thereof. He is also directed to bring complete information pertaining to point no. six in the Commission on the next date of hearing.

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AC No. 3503 of 2021

5. To come up on **27.12.2021 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated :15.12.2021

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Dr Poonam Sharma,
#83, Golden City, Near APJ School,
Mundi kharar- 140301
(9779666057)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Registered POST: **Public Information Officer,**
O/o Tehsildar, Kharar

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Kharar

.....Respondent

AC No. 2693 of 2021

Present : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant
 (ii) For the respondent : Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Tehsildar , Kharar (9832900001)in
 the Commission

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous orders dated 08.09.2021 and 18.10.2021, vide which the appellant was directed to visit the office of the respondent and inspect the record. On 18.10.2021, the respondent was absent and the appellant stated that no information has been given to her so far, hence show cause notice was issued to the PIO, o/o Tehsildar, Kharar.

2. Today, the appellant is absent.

3. The respondent Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Tehsildar , Kharar states that the appellant has inspected the record. He has also filed an affidavit in response to the order showing cause issued to him on 18.10.2021.

4. Since, the appellant is absent, one last opportunity is given to her to appear before the Commission and state her case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing , appropriate order in her absence shall be passed.

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Further, the respondent PIO is directed to file point-wise reply indicating the position of each issue as to whether the information has been supplied and if not, the reason thereof. If record is not available, let the PIO file an affidavit to that effect.

Today, the Respondent has filed the reply of show cause notice issued to him. Keeping in view all the facts mentioned in the reply the show cause notice is, hereby, dropped.

5. To come up on **17.01.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated :15.12.2021

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Dr Poonam Sharma,
#83, Golden City, Near APJ School,
Mundi Kharar- 140301 (9779666057)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Registered post: **Public Information Officer,**
 O/o Tehsildar, Kharar
First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Kharar

.....Respondent

AC No. 2695 of 2021

Present : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant
 (ii) For the respondent : Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Tehsildar , Kharar (9832900001)in
 the Commission

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous orders dated 08.09.2021 and 18.10.2021, vide which the appellant was directed to visit the office of the respondent and inspect the record. On 18.10.2021, the respondent was absent and the appellant stated that no information has been given to her so far, hence show cause notice was issued to the PIO, o/o Tehsildar, Kharar.

2. Today, the appellant is absent.

3. The respondent Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Tehsildar , Kharar states that the appellant has inspected the record. He has also filed an affidavit in response to the order showing cause issued to him on 18.10.2021.

4. Since, the appellant is absent, one last opportunity is given to her to appear before the Commission and state her case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing , appropriate order in her absence shall be passed.

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AC No. 2695 of 2021

Further, the respondent PIO is directed to file point-wise reply indicating the position of each issue as to whether the information has been supplied and if not, the reason thereof. If record is not available, let the PIO file an affidavit to that effect.

Today, the Respondent has filed the reply of show cause notice issued to him. Keeping in view all the facts mentioned in the reply the show cause notice is, hereby, dropped.

5. To come up on **17.01.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated :15.12.2021

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Sh.Prem Kumar Rattan,
House No. 78/8, Park Road,
Navi Mandi, Dhuri, Distt. Sangrur
(8509580002)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director General of Punjab
Punjab Police Headquarter
Sector 9, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director General of Punjab
Punjab Police Headquarter
Sector 9, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

AC No. 2754 of 2021

Present: (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Harpal Singh, ASI (94174985901) and Sh. Maninder Singh, (9463952430)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.09.2021 vide which the respondent was directed to bring complete record in the Commission office.

2. Today, the appellant is absent. He has informed on phone that he is unable to attend the hearing. Further, he states that he has not received information so far.

3. The respondent states that the information, as exists, in the record has already been sent to the appellant. He further states that he has brought original record in the Commission today.

4. Since, the appellant is absent today, one last opportunity is given to him to appear before the Commission and state his case. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed. The respondent is directed to bring copy of complete information, duly attested, in the Commission on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to file an affidavit that the

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information that has been supplied is true, complete and no other information relating to this RTI application is available in the record on the next date of hearing with a copy to the appellant.

5. To come up on **05.03.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated :15.12.2021

Sd/-
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Sh.Sarabjit Singh Gill, Whistle Blower, C/o Dhamatia Office
1331-5, Street No. 5, Near Vishawkarma Bhawan
Down Canal Road, Simla Puri, Ludhiana – 141003
(9888710031, 9888490031)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, Nagar Council, Sirhind

First Appellate Authority
O/o EO, Nagar Council
Sirhind

.....Respondent

AC No. 2622 of 2021
(Commission office)

Present : (i) Sh Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, representative for the Appellant *(In the Commission office)*
(ii) for the Respondent: PIO-Sh Gural Singh, EO-cum-PIO (9646140215) and Sh Harinder Singh, Clerk (9876190921)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.09.2021 vide which Sh. Gurmej Lal was appeared on behalf of the appellant and he was directed to visit the office of the respondent and inspect the record.

2. Today, Sh Amarjit Singh Dhamotia is appearing on behalf of the Appellant with authority letter. He states that, as directed in the previous hearing, he had gone to inspect the record but he was not allowed to inspect the same due to the reason that he was late.

3. The Respondent states that the Appellant did not appeared on time to inspect the record. Hence, the inspection could not be allowed.

4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the case file, the appellant is again directed to inspect the record in the O/o Respondent on 17.01.2022 from 2:00PM to 04:00PM. Further, the respondent is directed to provide the copies of the information, as identified by the appellant, according to his RTI Application. However, it may also be made clear that in case, the Appellant is not allowed to inspect the record then, appropriate action will be taken against the erring officer/officers.

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AC No. 2622 of 2021

5. To come up on **09.02.2022 at 12:00PM** in the Commission office for further proceedings. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated :15.12.2021

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Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (RTI Activist)
Ward No. 18, Street No. 2, Kartar Nagar,
Amloh Road, Khanna -141401

.....Appellant

..Vs

REGISTERED POST

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Accountant, MC, Mandi Gobindgarh

First Appellate Authority
o/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Government, Mini Sectt.
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No. 2653 of 2021

Present : (i) Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia the appellant (in the Commission office)
(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.09.2021 vide which the respondent was directed to provide complete information to the appellant free of cost.

2. Today, the appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
3. The respondent is absent today.
4. After hearing the appellant and going through the case file, it is observed that the appellant filed RTI with the PIO, o/o Municipal Accountant, MC, Mandi Gobindgarh on 03.10.2020, but after lapse of more than one year no information has been given to him so far. During the last hearing, the respondent was directed to provide complete information to the appellant free of cost. But, today the respondent is not present. He has not even bothered to inform the Commission about his absence. This shows that the respondent PIO has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission.



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5. He may take note that the RTI Act 2005 is meant for promoting transparency in governmental functioning by bringing to light governmental actions done behind closed doors so that the common man is kept well informed of the goings on in the public authorities with a view to strengthening democracy.

6. Looking at the lackadaisical attitude of the respondents, ***PIO- o/o Municipal Accountant, MC, Mandi Gobindgarh*** is directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the appellant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. 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.

7. To come up on **07.03.2022 at 12.00 PM for** further proceedings in the Commission office. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated :15.12.2021

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Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (RTI Activist)
Ward No. 18, Street No. 2, Kartar Nagar,
Amlah Road, Khanna -141401

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, MC, Mandi Gobindgarh

First Appellate Authority
o/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Government, Mini Sectt.
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No. 2729 of 2021
(In the Commission office)

Present : (i) Sh Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant
(ii) for the Respondent: Sh Gurjant Singh, JE (9464156944)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.09.2021.

2. The Appellant states that no information has been provided to him so far. The appellant has pointed out his submissions via e-mail, which is taken on record.
3. The Respondent states that, as directed in the previous hearing, the copy of information has been sent in the Commission office
4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the Respondent has sent a copy of the information in the Commission office, the same was received vide Commission diary no. 22357 dated 01.10.2021. Copy of the same is handed over to the Appellant. Further, the Appellant is directed to point-out deficiencies, if any, to the Respondent with a copy of the Commission. The Respondent is directed to provide complete information to the Appellant, after the removal of deficiencies, if any pointed out by the Appellant.

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AC No. 2729 of 2021

5. To come up on **05.03.2022 at 12:00PM** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 15.12.2021

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Sh. Balvir Singh, S/o Sh. Jagar
Village Bhullan, Tehsil Munak, Distt. Sangrur
(8725040137)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Anandana at Munak
Distt. Sangrur

First Appellate Authority
o/o DDPO, Sangrur

.....Respondent

AC No. 3310 of 2021
(Through Video-Conferencing)

Present : (i) Sh Ramesh Kumar, representative for the Appellant *(In the Commission office)*
(ii) None for the Respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.09.2021.

2. Sh Ramesh Kumar is appearing on behalf of the Appellant with authority letter. He states that the information provided to them is not complete. He further states that he has already pointed out deficiencies in the information provided, to the Respondent.

3. No one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today. They were not present on the previous date of hearing also.

4. After perusing the case file, it is ascertained that no one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today. The representative of the Appellant states that the complete information, after the removal of deficiencies, has not been provided to him till date. Hence, the Respondent-PIO is directed to provide complete information to the Appellant, after the removal of deficiencies, as pointed out by the Appellant, before the next date of hearing. Further, it may also be made clear that in case the Respondent-PIO does not appear on the next date of hearing then, action U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act will be initiated.

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AC No. 3310 of 2021

5. To come up on **31.01.2022 at 12:00PM** in the Commission office for further proceedings. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 15.12.2021

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Sh. Bikarjit, S/o Sh. Ram Dyal Singh
VPO Chotia Tehsil Leharagaga, Distt. Sangrur - 148031

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Leharagaga, Distt. Sangrur

First Appellate Authority
o/o DDPO, Sangrur

.....Respondent

AC No. 3317 of 2021

(Through Video-conferencing)

Present: (i) Sh Bikarjit, the Appellant
(ii) For the Respondent: Sh Darshan Kumar, Panchayat Secy (98142-39270)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.09.2021.

2. The Appellant states that no information has been provided to him so far.
3. Sh Darshan Kumar, Panchayat Secy is appearing on behalf of the Respondent. He has filed his reply vide Commission diary no. 24830 dated 01.11.2021 stating as under:-

“ਆਪ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਸਾਲ 2015 ਤੋਂ 2021 ਤੱਕ ਸਮਸਾਨਘਾਟ ਵਾਲੀ ਜਗ੍ਹਾ ਨੂੰ ਠੇਕੇ ਤੇ ਦੇਣ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਮੰਗਿਆ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ। ਸੋ ਇਹ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਮੁਤਾਬਿਕ ਸਮਸਾਨਘਾਟ ਵਾਲੀ ਜਗ੍ਹਾ ਠੇਕੇ ਤੇ ਨਹੀਂ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਗਈ।”

4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the Respondent has filed his reply. But the appellant is not satisfied, hence, the Respondent-PIO is directed to file his reply stating the same, on affidavit on or before the next date of hearing.

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AC No. 3317 of 2021

5. To come up on **19.01.2022 at 12:00PM** in the Commission office for further proceedings. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated : 15.12.2021

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Sh. Sukhdev Singh Pandher,
Village Chahil, Dr. Bhadso, Tehsil Nabha
Distt. Patiala (9815762270)

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Nabha , Distt. Patiala

First Appellate Authority
o/o DDPO, Patiala

.....Respondent

AC No. 3337 of 2021
(Through Video-Conferencing)

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.09.2021 vide which the Respondent was directed to provide complete information to the Appellant, with a copy to the Commission.

2. Today neither the Respondent nor the Appellant is present. Hence, an opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case.

3. To come up **on 31.01.2022 at 12:00PM** in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Dated : 13.12.2021

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