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Vinod Kumar,
S/o Chiman Singh,
VPO Amarpura (Bahab Wala),
Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka – 152 116

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner(D),
District Fazilka.

Public Information Officer,
o/o Director Rural Development and Panchayats,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62,
District Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Deputy Commissioner(D),
District Fazilka.

Appeal Case No. 3034 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
Rakesh Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 94174-48331

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **3.2.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **23.7.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding by way of the inquiry report in which the ex-sarpanch Amardev was acquitted and the complaint against him disposed of by the Deputy Director Rural Development & Panchayats on 14.1.19**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.8.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **14.10.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **3.2.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Rakesh Kumar, Clerk from the office of BDPO, states that the requested information has now been located and available in his custody. He is directed to send attested copies of the same along with a covering letter to the appellant by registered post, with a copy to this Commission.

3. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

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Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

4. Next hearing on 13.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Fazilka.

Sd/-

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Gurmeet Singh, S/o Lal Singh,
Village Kikar Khera,
Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka .

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Fazilka.

First Appellant Authority,
o/o Inspector General of Police Ferozpur Range,
Ferozpur Cantt.

Appeal Case No. 1109 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmeet Singh (Appellant) 98762-69776

ASI Satpal Chand (for the Respondent) 85588-19110

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 23.9.2020 and 6.11.2020)

1. The RTI application is dated **9.12.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Application No. 49, dated 8.1.2019**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.1.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **13.3.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **6.11.2020**.

2. Both parties are present. The appellant joined the hearing on telephone. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Satpal Chand, present via Video Conference Facility at Fazilka, restated the contention made at the last hearing on 6.11.2020, that 10 pages by way of information was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 735 Dated 12.9.2020. At the last hearing on 6.11.2020, the respondent PIO was directed to certify each page of the information furnished as "information provided under the RTI Act 2005". This has still not been complied with. The appellant has stated that he has received all the information baring statement recorded by his father in the complaint cited in his RTI application. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Satpal Chand, contends that the appellant's father did not record any statement as part of the said complaint.

3. The respondent PIO is directed to resend the information along with a covering letter, which must clearly state that no statement was recorded from the appellant's father as part of the complaint cited in the RTI application.

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Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

5. Next hearing on 13.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Fazilka.

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Smt. Rajpal Kaur,
W/o Late Sh. Gurmeet Singh,
Village Punjawa Mandal,
Tehsil Abohar,
District Fazilka.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
District Fazilka.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Deputy Inspector General of Police,
Ferozepur Range,
Ferozepur Cantonment

Appeal Case No. 3089 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Rajpal Kaur (Appellant) 94176-91095
ASI Satpal Chand (for the Respondent) 85588-19110

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 3.2.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **25.7.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding a complaint to the SSP bearing Dairy No. 2844-PC dated 20.9.2019**, as enumerated in her RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **29.8.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.10.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. This appeal case was last heard on **3.2.2021**.
2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility at Fazilka. The appellant had listed deficiencies in the information supplied to her vide Letter No. 123/RTI/1 Dated 25.1.2021. In her Letter Dated 8.2.2021. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Satpal Chand, has stated that a pointwise reply was in fact sent to the appellant on 24.4.2021, but the appellant denies this.
3. The respondent PIO is directed to give a written, pointwise reply to the deficiencies listed by the appellant in her Letter Dated 8.2.2021. The respondent PIO stated that all the points are covered in the PIO-cum-SSP's Letter No. 893 of 24.4.2021. He has handed over a copy of the said letter to the appellant. He is also to send copy of the same to the Commission.
4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

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Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

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Ramesh Kumar,
S/o Sona Ram,
Phase-1, Civil Lines, Old Court Road,
District Fazilka.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Executive Officer,

Municipal Council,

District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Deputy Director Local Bodies,

Mini Secretariat,

Ferozepur.

Appeal Case No. 3134 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Ramesh Kumar (Appellant) 78888-06239

(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 3.2.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **23.6.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding a complaint against one Sham Lal Arora for illegal construction etc.**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.8.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.10.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **3.2.2021**.
2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. At the last hearing on 3.2.2021, the appellant was requested to list deficiencies in the information furnished to him, in writing to the PIO. The appellant did so in a letter to PIO Dated 8.2.2021. The PIO has not submitted any reply to the deficiencies listed by the appellant.
3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to send a written, pointwise reply to the deficiencies listed by the appellant with a copy to this Commission at the earliest. Failure to comply, could attract penalties under the RTI Act 2005.
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Appeal Case No. 3134 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

5. Next hearing on 13.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Fazilka.

Sd/-

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Mohan Lal,
S/o Ram Kumar,
175, Military Hospital,
Abohar Cantonment, District Fazilka.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Abohar.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development),
Fazilka.

Appeal Case No. 3463 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **3.2.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **6.3.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the TA/DA paid out to employees for travel related to RTI cases etc.**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **23.6.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **10.11.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **3.2.2021**.
2. Both parties are absent. At the last hearing on 3.2.2021, the appellant was requested to demonstrate the larger public interest in disclosure of voluminous information sought by him in his RTI application. He has not complied. The respondent PIO in this case has neither sent any reply to the RTI application of 6.3.2020, and nor has he made any submission to the Commission's Notice for hearing. Under the circumstances, this Commission deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO with this show cause notice.
3. The respondent PIO is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **6.2.2020**.

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Appeal Case No. 3463 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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*.” Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

5. **Next hearing on 13.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Fazilka.**

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Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Fazilka, for information and further necessary action.

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Gurmeet Singh,
S/o Sh. Lal Singh,
Village Kikar Khera,
Tehsil Abohar,
District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Eastern, Executive Engineer,
Eastern Canal Division, Canal Colony,
District Ferozepur.

Public Information officer,
o/o Executive Engineer,
Rajasthan Feeder Division, Canal Colony,
District Ferozepur.

Public Information officer,
o/o Executive Engineer,
Harikay Canal Division, Canal Colony,
District Ferozepur.

Public Information officer,
o/o XEN, Abohar Canal Division,
Abohar,
District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Superintendent Engineer,
Ferozepur Canal Circle,
District Ferozepur.

Appeal Case No. 2480 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Ramandeep Sidhu, SDO (for the Respondent) 77196-31834

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **7.12.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding allotment of tenders of Sirhind Feeder in the year 2020**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **5.4.2021**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.5.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties for first hearing was issued on **15.9.2021**.

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Appeal Case No. 2480 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Ramandeep Sidhu, SDO, present via Video Conference Facility from Fazilka, states that partial information available with the office of XEN Abohar Canal Division was handed over to the appellant in person on 11.6.2021. The RTI application with respect to remaining information pertaining to XEN Eastern Canal Division, XEN Rajasthan Feeder Canal Division, and XEN Harikay Canal Division, all posted at Ferozepur, w transferred to the said offices under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act 2005 vide Letter No. 2931 Dated 31.5.2021.

3. The PIO's for the aforesaid divisions are herewith directed to submit written, pointwise replies along with the information pertaining to the portion of the RTI application pertaining to their respective divisions to the appellant. A copy of their replies and information must also be submitted to this Commission within 15 days of receipt of this Order.

4. Copies of this Order be sent to the PIO, o/o XEN Eastern Canal Division, PIO, o/o XEN Rajasthan Feeder Canal Division, and PIO, o/o XEN Harikay Canal Division.

5. The PIO, office of Abohar Canal Division is directed to send a copy of the appellant's receiving and the three letters transferring part of the RTI application to the other three divisions, to this Commission forthwith.

6. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

7. **Next hearing on 13.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Fazilka.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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15.9.2021