

Rakesh Kumar
S/o Sh. Nem Chand,
C/o Pankaj Verma, Advocate,
Chamber No. 506, Yadvindra Court Complex,
Patiala (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government of Punjab,
Department of Technical Education and
Industrial Training, Punjab,

Sector 9, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Secretary
to Government of Punjab,
Department of Technical Education and
Industrial Training, Punjab,
Sector 9, Chandigarh (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 160 of 2020

Present : Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Attinder Pal Singh, Senior Assistant-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The hearing in the instant appeal- case, which was fixed to be heard on 23.02.2022, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 16.03.2022.

The RTI request is dated 13.05.2019. First appeal is dated 07.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.01.2020.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 29.11.2021 ;

- i) The respondent PIO also through an e-mail dated 26.11.2021 signed by Superintendent, Tech. Edu. – 1 Branch sought adjournment in the instant appeal-case and also intimated the Commission that the requisite information was supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 244263 dated 08.09.2021.
- ii) Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant stated that incomplete information was given to him by the respondent PIO.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.
- iv) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the next date fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

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Sh. Attinder Pal Singh, Senior Assistant-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant

Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar, in today's hearing, states that the appellant has received the required information in the instant appeal-case and the case be closed.

Since complete information has been supplied by the respondent PIO and Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate (representative of the appellant) has acknowledged that he has received the required information and has also given his consent to close the case, hence, the case is announced as **disposed of and closed** .

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :16th March, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Ravi Kant
S/o Sh. Sansari Lal,
Ward No. 04,
Krishan Bazar,
Dhariwal(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Superintendent,
O/o The Director,
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,
(General Branch),
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 133 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Munish Garg, Senior Assistant(Gen. Branch) ;
ii) Sh. Rahul, Section Officer (Accounts Branch) ;
iii) Ms. Babita, Accountant (Accounts Branch), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The hearing in the instant appeal- case, which was fixed to be heard on 23.02.2022, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 16.03.2022.

The RTI request is dated 11.05.2020. First appeal is dated 09.06.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 24.12.2020.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 29.11.2021 ;

- i) The appellant stated that he received information at point no. 01 and 05 of the RTI request and incomplete information has been given to him at point no. 02 and no information was given to him at point no. 03, 04 and 06 of the RTI request.
- ii) Sh. Rahul, Section Officer (Accounts Branch), stated that the available information for the year 1998 onwards was supplied to the appellant and information for the year 1984 afterwards till the year 1998 is very old and not available in manual manner but available on the official website and link has been intimated to the appellant so that he can access the information.
- iii) Ms. Sarabjit Kaur, Senior Assistant (General Branch), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, stated that the information at point no. 04 is regarding a complaint dated 07.12.2019, which is not traceable in the official record and if the appellant would send a copy of the same, the information would be supplied to him positively.

- iv) An opportunity was given to the appellant to send a copy of the complaint dated 07.12.2019 to PIO of General Branch of Local Government , Punjab, so that the required information could be supplied to him.
- v) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the next date fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

Sh. Rahul, Section Officer and Ms. Babita, Accountant (both) of Accounts Branch), who appeared in today's hearing, state that the available information for the year 1998 onwards has already been supplied to the appellant and information for the year 1984 afterwards till the year 1998 is very old and not available in manual manner but available on the official website and link has been intimated to the appellant so that he can access the information.

Sh. Munish Garg, Senior Assistant(Gen. Branch), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the appellant has pointed out deficiencies through letter dated 14.02.2022 and a reply was given to him intimating that the information regarding complaint dated 07.12.2019, is not traceable in the official record and a copy of Diary Register was also sent to the appellant. He also submits a reply dated 16.03.2022, which is taken on record

Since available information has been supplied by the respondent PIO and for the remaining information, a reply has been given to the appellant intimating that the information regarding complaint dated 07.12.2019, is not traceable in the official record, moreover, the appellant, Sh. Ravi Kant is not present in today's hearing, which reflects that the appellant is satisfied with the information already supplied/ or reply given, by the respondent.

As no cause of action is left in this case, hence, the case is announced as **disposed of and closed** .

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Date :16th March, 2022

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Jatinder Kumar
C/o Sachkhand Mishthan Bhandar,
Nehru Gate, Nawanshaher (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Nawanshaher(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Jalandhar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4280 of 2019

Present : Sh. Jatinder Kumar, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The hearing in the instant appeal- case, which was fixed to be heard on 23.02.2022, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 16.03.2022.

The RTI request is dated 08.07.2019. First appeal is dated 20.08.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.11.2019.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 29.11.2021 ;

- i) The appellant stated that information at point no. 07 is still pending.
- ii) Sh. Satnam Singh, Accountant, stated that available information was supplied to the appellant and information at point no. 07, a reply was given to the appellant vide letter no. 560 dated 05.04.2021, mentioning that in C.O.C.P. No. 932 of 2019 (Notice Contempt of Court) a Lawyer from a panel of Lawyers was appointed through verbal orders of Hon'ble Director, Local Government, Punjab to represent the case.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 560 dated 05.04.2021 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Nawanshaher, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that a reply to the query raised at point no. 07, was given to the appellant vide letter no. 560 dated 05.04.2021. It is placed in the case-file.

The appellant, Sh. Jatinder Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has not received the above-said reply till date.

A copy of the same (reply vide letter no. 560 dated 05.04.2021) is handed over to the appellant, Sh. Jatinder Kumar during the hearing in the Commission today.

As no cause of action is left in this case, hence, the case is announced as disposed of and closed.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :16th March, 2022

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Baljeet Singh,
64 - H, B. R. S. Nagar,
Ludhiana - 141012(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

- (Regd. Post)
- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government. of Punjab,
Deptt. of Local Government,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh
 - ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Superintendent,
(Municipal Services Cell),
O/o The Director,
Deptt. of Local Government,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh
 - iii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Superintendent,
(Establishment Branch)
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government. of Punjab,
Deptt. of Local Government,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 872 of 2021

Present : Sh. Baljeet Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Kuldeep Singh, Senior Assistant (Municipal Service Cell) , on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The hearing in the instant appeal- case, which was fixed to be heard on 23.02.2022, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 16.03.2022.

The RTI request is dated 02.11.2020. First appeal is dated 04.12.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.02.2021.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 06.12.2021 ;

- i) The appellant stated that no information was given to him by the respondent PIO.
- ii) Sh. Om Parkash, Inspector-cum-APIO(Establishment Branch) of office of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, stated that a letter was forwarded by office of Director, Local Government, Punjab to office of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, hence, he appeared to represent the case but the information sought through RTI request relates with Municipal Services Cell office of Director, Local Government, Punjab.
- iii) The appellant stated that information sought by him through RTI request does not relate with office of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana and it relates with Municipal Services Cell office of Director, Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh.

- iv) After examining the documents placed in the case-file, it is found that the information demanded by the appellant through RTI request relates with office of PIO-cum-Superintendent of Municipal Services Cell of office of Director, Local Government, Punjab, hence, Public Information Officer of Municipal Services Cell was directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab and bring the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

Sh. Kuldeep Singh, Senior Assistant (Municipal Service Cell), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 36152 dated 02.09.2021, again vide letter no. 43623 dated 28.10.2021 and again vide letter no. 7588 dated 21.02.2022. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 7588 dated 21.02.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 3902 dated 24.02.2022. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Baljeet Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, expresses his dissatisfaction over the information supplied to him by the respondent PIO.

After going over the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request and the response given by the respondent PIO concerned and finding it satisfactory, the case is announced disposed of and closed .

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Punjab

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate,
8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur,
Distt. – Ludhiana -141101(Punjab)

V/s

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive officer,
Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
Distt. Ludhiana (Punjab)

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development), Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2609 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The hearing in the instant appeal- case, which was fixed to be heard on 23.02.2022, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 16.03.2022.

The RTI request is dated 03.07.2019. First appeal is dated 11.07.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.07.2019.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 06.12.2021 ;

- i) The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate, who appeared in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO .
- ii) Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative was present.
- iii) Last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information, as per queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, to the appellant by registered post or through an e-mail with a copy to the Commission.
- iv) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the next date fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate through a letter dated 15.03.2022, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that due to health problem, he is unable to attend today's hearing. He also intimated that he has received partial information on 20.09.2021 and will have no objection if the case is closed. It is taken on record.

Since the appellant has acknowledged that he has received the required information and has also given his consent to close the case, hence, the show-cause issued to the concerned respondent PIO vide orders dated 29.09.2020 and 05.07.2021, is dropped and the case is announced as disposed of and closed .

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :16th March, 2022

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate,
8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Mullanpur,
Distt. – Ludhiana -141101(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive officer,
Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
Distt. Ludhiana (Punjab)

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Urban Development), Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4516 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The hearing in the instant appeal- case, which was fixed to be heard on 23.02.2022, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 16.03.2022.

The RTI request is dated 20.11.2019. First appeal is dated 27.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 10.12.2019.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 06.12.2021 ;

- i) The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate, who appeared in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO .
- ii) Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative was present.
- iii) Last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information, as per queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, to the appellant by registered post or through an e-mail with a copy to the Commission.
- iv) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the next date fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 425 dated 07.03.2022 signed by PIO-cum-Executive officer, Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha, which has been received in the Commission vide through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant vide letter no.424 dated 07.03.2022. On that reply, the appellant has put his signatures as an acknowledgement of having received the information. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate through a letter dated 15.03.2022, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail in an other case (fixed for today for hearing), has intimated the Commission that due to health problem, he is unable to attend today's hearing. It is taken on record.

Since the appellant has only intimated about his non-availability but not approached the Commission with any contrary claim, which reflects that the appellant has received the required information and is satisfied with the same hence, the show-cause issued to the concerned respondent PIO vide orders dated 29.09.2020 and 05.07.2021, is dropped and the case is announced as disposed of and closed .

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :16th March, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab