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Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Jasbir Singh S/o Sh. Prithipal Singh C/o Sh. Pankaj Verma, Advocate, Chamber No. 506,Yadvindra Complex, Patiala (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Director,
 Technical Education and Industrial Training, Pb.,
 Sector 36-A, Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer,
 O/o Punjab State Board of Technical Education and Industrial Training, Pb.,
 Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training, Pb., Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 258 of 2020

Present:

Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.);
- ii) Sh. Lovkesh Kumar, Senior Assistant (Training Branch), for 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 15.05.2019. 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) Ms. Naresh Kamal, Deputy Director-cum-PIO (Academics) of office of Punjab State Board of Technical Education, stated that the information demanded through RTI request is regarding recruitments and 'recruitment process' is done by office of Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training, Punjab, Chandigarh.
- ii) Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Senior Assistant office of Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training, stated that the requisite information of forty two pages was supplied to the appellant.
- iii) Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, stated that the information at point no. 04, 05 and 06 is still pending.
- iv) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the date fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.
- v) Ms. Naresh Kamal, Deputy Director-cum-PIO (Academics) of office of Punjab State Board of Technical Education was from personal appearance in further hearings of this case.

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Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh.

Jasbir Singh, in today's hearing, states that the information at point no. 04, 05 and 06 is still pending.

Sh. Lovkesh Kumar, Senior Assistant (Training Branch), appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing.

Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO either to supply certified copies of the remaining information at point no. 04, 05 and 06 to the appellant or send a proper written reply in the shape of an affidavit to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

Both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to be present with the information (would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 6th July, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing</u>
<u>in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya</u>
<u>Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

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Kuldeep Singh S/o Sh. Gurnam Singh, C/o Sh. Nikhil Batta, Advoate, Chamber No. 543, Yadvindra Court Complex, Patiala(Punjab)

....Appellant

- i) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Director, Technical Education
 & Industrial Training Deptt., Punjab
 Sector-36A, Chandigarh (U.T.)
- ii) Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Director,
 Treasury and Accounts,
 Planning Bhawan, Sector-33A,
 Chandigarh (U.T.)
- iii) Public Information Officer,
 O/o Technical Education
 & Industrial Training Deptt., Punjab
 Technical Education 1 Branch,
 Punjab Civil Secretariat 2,
 Sector 9, Chandigarh (U.T.)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Technical Education
& Industrial Training Deptt., Punjab
(IT Wing) Sector-36A, Chandigarh (U.T.)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 259 of 2020

V/s

Present: Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate on behalf of the appellant.

- iii) Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.);
- i) Sh. Lovkesh Kumar, Senior Assistant (Training Branch);
- ii) Sh. Amrinder Singh, Senior Assistant (Accounts Branch);
- iii) Sh. Raj Kumar, Senior Assistant (Admin. -II Branch), for the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

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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) Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Senior Assistant, stated that the requisite information was supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 377 dated 09.09.2021.
- ii) Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, stated that incomplete information was given to him by the respondent PIO office of Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training.
- 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. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.); Sh. Lovkesh Kumar, Senior Assistant (Training Branch); Sh. Amrinder Singh, Senior Assistant (Accounts Branch) and Sh. Raj

Kumar, Senior Assistant (Admin. -II Branch), appeared in today's hearing.

Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.), 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. Kuldeep

Singh, in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to the appellant by

the respondent PIO.

Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO/PIOs of the above-

mentioned branches to supply certified copies of the remaining information (whatever

query/queries relates to their office/branch) to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the

next date of hearing.

Both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO/PIOs concerned of the

above-mentioned offices/branches are directed to be present with the information (would be

supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next

date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned so that facts of this case could be

cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

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Labh Singh Sandhu S/o Sh. Harwinder Singh Advocate, Chamber No.573, Yadvindra Court Complex, Patiala (Punjab)

...Complainant

Public Information Officer O/o The Director, Technical Education & Industrial Training Deptt., Punjab Sector-36A, Chandigarh (U.T.)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 684 of 2018

Present: Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.);
- ii) Sh. Lovkesh Kumar, Senior Assistant (Training Branch);

Versus

iii) Ms. Renu Gupta, Junior Assistant, for 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 21.04.2018. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 22.06.2018.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 29.11.2021;

- i) Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Senior Assistant stated that the requisite information was supplied to the Complainant.
- ii) Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the Complainant stated that incomplete information was given to him by the respondent PIO.
- iii) 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. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.); Sh. Lovkesh Kumar, Senior Assistant (Training Branch) and Ms. Renu Gupta, Junior Assistant, appeared in today's hearing.

Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the Complainant.

Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Labh Singh Sandhu, in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to the Complainant by the respondent PIO.

Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO/PIOs of the abovementioned branches to supply certified copies of the remaining information (whatever <u>query/queries relates to their office/branch)</u> to the Complainant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

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Both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO/PIOs concerned of the above-mentioned offices/branches are directed to be present with the information (would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

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Labh Singh Sandhu S/o Sh. Harwinder Singh Advocate, Chamber No.573, Yadvindra Court Complex, Patiala (Punjab)

...Complainant

Public Information Officer
O/o The Director,
Technical Education
& Industrial Training Deptt., Punjab
Sector-36A, Chandigarh (U.T.)

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 685 of 2018

Present: Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate on behalf of the appellant.

- i) Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.);
- ii) Sh. Lovkesh Kumar, Senior Assistant (Training Branch);

Versus

iii) Ms. Renu Gupta, Junior Assistant, for the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

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 21.04.2018. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 22.06.2018.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 29.11.2021;

- i) Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Senior Assistant stated that the requisite information was supplied to the Complainant.
- ii) Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the Complainant stated that incomplete information was given to him by the respondent PIO.
- iii) 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. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.); Sh. Lovkesh Kumar, Senior Assistant (Training Branch) and Ms. Renu Gupta, Junior Assistant, appeared in today's hearing.

Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director (Tech. Edu.), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the Complainant.

Sh. J. M. Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Labh Singh Sandhu, in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to the Complainant by the respondent PIO.

Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO/PIOs of the abovementioned branches to supply certified copies of the remaining information (whatever <u>query/queries relates to their office/branch)</u> to the Complainant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing. Complaint Case No. 685 of 2018

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Both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO/PIOs concerned of the above-mentioned offices/branches are directed to be present with the information (would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 6th July, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing</u>
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Harbhagat Singh Grewal S/o Sh. Jasbir Singh Grewal,

H. No. 151, Block - J.

Sarabha Nagar, Ludhiana - 141001(Punjab)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Head Master. **Government Primary School,** Sarabha Nagar, Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The District Education Officer(Elem.), Mini Secretariat, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1511 of 2021

V/s

Sh. Harbhagat Singh Grewal, the appellant in person. Present:

Ms. Simranjit Kaur, Head Teacher, 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 31.10.2020. First appeal is dated 05.12.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 22.03.2021.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 06.12.2021;

- Ms. Sharanjit Kaur, Head Teacher, stated that the requisite information was supplied i) to the appellant and no other information apart from the supplied information is available in the official record.
- ii) The appellant stated that the information received by him is not as per queries raised by him through RTI request.
- iii) An 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)

Date:16th March, 2022

The appellant, Sh. Harbhagat Singh Grewal, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has received information at point no. 01 and 02 of the RTI request, which is not proper and remaining information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date. He also intimates the Commission that whatever information supplied to him, is uncertified.

Ms. Simranjit Kaur, Head Teacher, who appeared in today's hearing, states that she has joined recently in the office and seeks an adjournment in this case.

Final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply certified copies of the remaining information as per official record to the appellant within two weeks from today or send a proper written reply to the appellant with a copy to the Commission and also certify the information already supplied to the appellant, by the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 6th July, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate,

8/237, Jagraon Road,

Mandi Mullanpur, Distt. - Ludhiana -141101(Punjab)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive officer,

Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,

Distt. Ludhiana (Punjab)

Date :16th March, 2022

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner

(Urban Development), Ludhiana (Punjab)

jab)Respondents Appeal Case No. 3471 of 2019

V/s

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 12.09.2019. First appeal is dated 18.09.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 24.09.2019.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 06.12.2021;

- i) Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative was present.
- ii) Last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the remaining information, after removing the deficiencies, which were pointed out by the appellant vide letter dated 07.11.2021, to him by registered post or through an e-mail with a copy to the Commission.
- iii) 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 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. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 15th June, 2022 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate, 8/237, Jagraon Road,

Mandi Mullanpur, Distt. - Ludhiana -141101(Punjab)

....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. 2610 of 2019

V/s

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 04.07.2019. 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. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 15th June, 2022 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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Ms. Kadambini, Advocate, 4125, Abohar Road, SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply And Sanitation, KKP Road, SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Superintending Engineer, Punjab Water Supply And Sanitation, SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3883 of 2021

V/s

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 05.06.2021. First appeal is dated 14.07.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 24.08.2021.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 07.12.2021, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO, were directed to be present with the information during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the fixed before the bench of the undersigned so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

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

The appellant, Ms. Kadambini, Advocate, through a letter dated 16.03.2022, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that she is unable to attend today's hearing and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

The case is <u>adjourned to 6th July, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing</u>
<u>in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya</u>
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Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate, 8/237, Jagraon Road, Mandi Mullanpur,

Distt. - Ludhiana -141101(Punjab)



....Appellant

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

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 685 of 2021

V/s

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

Date :16th March, 2022

The RTI request is dated 04.07.2019. 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 09.03.2022;

- Sh. Manoj Kumar, Senior Assistant, LG III Branch, through a telephonic call, sought an adjournment in this case.
- ii) Considering the telephonic communication (made by representative of the respondent), the case was adjourned_with the directions to both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO to be present with the during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

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 in an other case i. e. A. C. 3471 of 2021(fixed for hearing for today), has intimated the Commission that due to health problem, he is unable to attend today's hearing.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is <u>adjourned to 26th July, 2022 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate,



....Appellant

8/237, Jagraon Road, Mandi Mullanpur, Distt. - Ludhiana -141101(Punjab)

- i) **Public Information Officer**, O/o The 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 Secretary to Government. of Punjab, **Department of Personnel (Finance)** O & M Branch. Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A. Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 861 of 2021

V/s

Present: None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The RTI request is dated 14.03.2020. First appeal is dated 20.01.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.02.2021.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 09.03.2022;

- The appellant stated that no information was given to him by the respondent PIO. i)
- ii) The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 2566 dated 13.12.2021 signed by Superintendent-cum-PIO (LG-III Branch), intimated the Commission that the information demanded relates with O & M Branch of department of Personnel (Finance) and a copy of the order was sent to PIO office of O & M Branch of department of Personnel (Finance) alongwith RTI request with the directions to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per gueries raised by him through RTI request with a copy to the Commission.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not.

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

hearing.

Date:16th March. 2022

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 i. e. A. C. 3471 of 2021(fixed for hearing for today), has intimated the Commission that due to health problem, he is unable to attend today's hearing.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 25th July, 2022 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

(Sanjiv Garg) **State Information Commissioner Punjab**

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...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

(Regd. Post) O/o The Deputy Secretary,

Pb. State Power Corporation Limited(P.S.P.C.L.),

Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

(Regd. Post) O/o The Chief Engineer/H.R.D.,

Pb. State Power Corporation Limited(P.S.P.C.L.),

Patiala (Punjab) ...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 385 of 2020

Present: Ms. Rashi Kaushal on behalf of the appellant.

i) Sh. Gurinder Singh, Senior Assistant;

ii) Sh. Amrinder Singh, Clerk (Sports Section), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The hearing in the instant appeal- case, which was fixed to be heard on 15.02.2022, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 16.03.2022.

The RTI request is dated 01.10.2019. First appeal is dated 26.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 20.01.2020

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 18.11.2021, Attendance registers were handed over to Sh. Navdeep Gupta (Handwriting & Finger Print Expert), for checking ((if tempered) of the attendance on dates 24.11.2017, 08.03.2018 and 09.03.2018 with the directions to send a report to the Commission as well as a copy of the same to Sh. Sehajbir Singh (Counsel of the respondent-PIO), by the next date of hearing and also to bring attendance registers in the Commission personally.

Sh. Gurinder Singh, Senior Assistant and Sh. Amrinder Singh, Clerk (Sports Section), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, seek an adjournment in the instant appeal-case as Sh. Sehajbir Singh (Counsel of the respondent-PIO) is unable to attend today's hearing. They also intimate the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 2686 dated 14.03.2022, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail. It is taken on record.

Sh. Navdeep Gupta (Handwriting & Finger Print Expert), who appeared in today's hearing, orally states that tempering has been done in the attendance registers and submits a report to the Bench of the undersigned during the proceeding of the hearing, which is taken on record.

He (Sh. Navdeep Gupta) also submits the attendance registers, which were handed over to him on the earlier hearing i. e. 18.11.2021.

When asked, Sh. Amrinder Singh, Clerk (Sports Section), states that he is not the custodian of the attendance register and the attendance registers remains in the staffroom or in the custody of Senior Sport Officer, who is Ms. Madhuri Saxena.

Ms. Rashi Kaushal, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Munish Kaushal, in today's hearing, states that whatever information given by the respondent PIO to the appellant is not satisfactory. She also pointed out that on the earlier hearings of this case, it was brought in the notice of the Commission that on some of the documents, the concerned person's name (regarding whom information was demanded through RTI request) is written as Madhuri Saxena and on some documents written as Madhuri A. Singh but till date no reply has been received from the respondent, clarifying that whether it is legally permissible to have more than one name of a same person.

She (Ms. Rashi Kaushal) further intimates that no reply or no decision/order was received from the respondent clarifying that Ms. Madhuri Saxena, Senior Sports Officer's was changed from Foreman to Sport's Officer.

She also intimates that the appellant has not received the above-said report, given by Sh. Navdeep Gupta (Handwriting & Finger Print Expert).

As the respondent has requested for an adjournment in this case, and the authorized Counsel of the respondent is not present, hence, an adjournment is being given in the instant appeal-case with the directions to file a reply clarifying the fact whether it is legally permissible to have more than one name of a same person .

He is also directed to file a reply a proper reply as status report specifying the fact that whether cadre of Ms. Madhuri Saxena, Senior Sports Officer's was changed from Foreman to Sport's Officer and if cadre was changed from Foreman to Sport's Officer then the respondent PIO is directed to submit/send a copy of the office order/copy of (BOD) Board of Director's decision, through which the cadre of Ms. Madhuri Saxena was changed from Foreman to Sport's Officer, to the Commission by the next date of hearing positively.

Sh. Navdeep Gupta (Handwriting & Finger Print Expert) is advised to send a copy of the above-mention report to the appellant.

As Sh. Navdeep Gupta, submits the attendance registers, which were handed over to him on the earlier hearing i. e. 18.11.2021, hence, directions are hereby given to Joint Secretary to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that the above-said attendance registers (returned by Sh. Navdeep Gupta) could be handed over to him during the hearing.

As per report of Sh. Navdeep Gupta (Handwriting & Finger Print Expert), tempering has been found in the attendance registers, which reflects that the respondent has given wrong statement earlier.

In view of the above observations, the judgment would be announced on the next date of hearing.

The concerned parties i. e. i) the appellant or his representative; ii) concerned respondent PIO or his representative; and iii) Joint Secretary, P. S. P. C. L., Patiala are directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab. A copy of this order be sent to them through registered post

Sh. Navdeep Gupta (Handwriting & Finger Print Expert) is exempted from personal appearance in further hearings of this case and a copy of this order be sent to him for intimation The case is adjourned to 4th May, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:30 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties through registered post.

(Sanjiv Garg) Date:16th March, 2022 **State Information Commissioner** Punjab

CC:

(Regd. Post) i) The Joint Secretary,

Pb. State Power Corporation Limited(P.S.P.C.L.),

Patiala (Punjab)

(Regd. Post) ii) Sh. Navdeep Gupta

> (Handwriting & Finger Print Expert), Chamber No. 222, First Floor, Yadwindra Complex, District Courts,

Patiala (Punjab)