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Sh. Jaspal Singh, S/o Sh. Avtar Singh, (M: 98153-62281) # H. No. 1205, Street No.08,

Hussainpura (East), Amritsar.

**Public Information Officer**, **O/o** The Secretary, Local Government, Punjab, Sector 35, Plot no. 3, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Chief Secretary, Civil Secretariat, Punjab, Chandigarh.

## Appeal Case No. 3359 of 2021

V/s.

## {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh is present.

Sh. Mannveer Singh, Senior Assistant –cum- APIO from LG – I Branch is present.

## ORDER:

<u>The date of RTI application is 22.02.2021, the date of First Appeal is 22.03.2021 and the date of</u> Appeal filed in the Commission is 23.07.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh states that no information has been supplied to him till date because as per the reply given to him by the Appellant this matter is under consideration of the Government.

On the other hand, the Superintendent, Sh. Mannveer Singh states that the report has been requested by the concerned corporations (i.e. Mohali, Ludhiana, Jalandhar and Amritsar) and it is still under process. He further mentions about the emails which has been sent to the Commission vide dated 09.11.2021 and email dated 15.11.2021, which is taken on record.

On further discussion, the APIO is directed to file a proper reply whether the concerned FIR has been logged or not and if it has been then he should submit the copy of the same to the Commission.

In view of above, the PIO is directed to **supply the requisite pointwise information** to the Appellant by registered post or email **within 3 weeks positively (along with a copy to the Commission)** and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in writing in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason (as mentioned above), why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to **31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **31.01.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.** 

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Appellant

Respondent



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(Regd. Post)	Sh. Pritam Singh, S/o Sh. Harbans Singh,			
	R/o Raipur Majra, Police Station Kathgarh, Tehsil Balachaur,	Annellout		
	Block Balachaur, District SBS Nagar. <b>M: 98729-04493</b> V/s.	Appellant		
(Regd. Post)	Public Information Officer,			
(	<b>O/o</b> The Block Development Panchayat Officer,			
	Balachaur, District Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar.			
(Regd. Post)	First Appellate Authority,			
	<b>O/o</b> The District Development Panchayat Officer,			
	Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar.	Respondent		
	<u> Appeal Case No. 4265 of 2021</u>			
{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}				
Present :	The Appellant, Sh. Pritam Singh is present.			
	Sh. Jaswinder Kumar, Panchayat Secretary is present from the Depar	tment.		
ORDER:				
The	e date of RTI application is 12.04.2021, the date of First Appeal is 19.05	5.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in		

#### the Commission is 15.09.2021.

In today's hearing, the Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Jaswinder Singh states that the information which has been requested by the Appellant of the concerned area doesnot comes under him as it pertains to some other person and there is a fault at their department's end that he was told to supply the information in relating to this RTI.

On the other hand, Sh. Pritam Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as information is still not supplied to the Appellant till date and moreover nobody appears from the concerned department who could supply the information to the Appellant.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Block Development Panchayat Officer, Balachaur, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Pritam Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 31.01.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Dated: 16.11.2021

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(Regd. Post)	Sh. Rajinder Singh, S/o Sh. Om Kumar,			
	VPO Kot Fatuhi, Tehsil Garshankar, District Hoshiarpur. (144519) <b>M: 8288869307</b>	Annallant		
	M: 828889307 V/s.	Appellant		
(Regd. Post)	Public Information Officer,			
	<b>O/o</b> The Executive Engineer,			
	Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Division No. 01,			
	Ropar at Anandpur Sahib.			
(Regd. Post)	First Appellate Authority,			
(1108411 000)	<b>O/o</b> The Superintending Engineer,			
	Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Circle,			
	SCO No. 44-45, Phase - 2, Near Bassi Theatre,			
	S.A.S Nagar (Mohali).	Respondent		
<u>Appeal Case No. 3373 of 2021</u>				
<u>{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}</u>				
Present :	The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Singh is absent.			
	None is present from the Department.			

## ORDER:

<u>The date of RTI application is 03.05.2021, the date of First Appeal is 04.06.2021 and the</u> <u>date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 27.07.2021.</u>

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Singh is absent.

On the other hand, nobody appears from the Department as well.

After going through the case file it has been observed that the office of FAA has ordered the PIO concerned vide letter dated 10.11.2021 to attend the today's hearing relating to this present case but still they failed to appear today and neither have they responded to the Commission relating to the notice of this present case.

## Commission takes a serious view of this casual approach of the PIO concerned.

In view of above, an opportunity is given to the PIO and the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite pointwise information to the Appellant by registered post or email within 3 weeks positively (along with a copy to the Commission) and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in writing in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

<u>The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which</u> information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, an opportunity is given to the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Singh and he is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to **31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **31.01.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.** 

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Appellant

#### (Regd. Post) Sh. Rajinder Singh, S/o Sh. Om Kumar, VPO Kot Fatuhi, Tehsil Garshankar, District Hoshiarpur. (144519) M: 8288869307

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Division No. 02, Ropar.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Superintending Engineer, Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Circle, SCO No. 44-45, Phase - 2, Near Bassi Theatre, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali).

Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 3372 of 2021 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Singh is absent.

Sh. Sumeet Karra, Sub Divisional Engineer is present from the Department.

The date of RTI application is 03.05.2021, the date of First Appeal is 04.06.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 27.07.2021.

In today's hearing, the Sub Divisional Engineer, Sh. Sumeet states that the information has been sent to the Appellant vide dated 11.11.2021.

On the other hand, the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Singh is absent and a copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

On this the PIO concerned is directed to send the copy of information as well the registered postal receipts (vide which information has been sent) to the Commission through email by today positively.

In view of above, an opportunity is given to the Appellant, Sh. Rajinder Singh and he is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

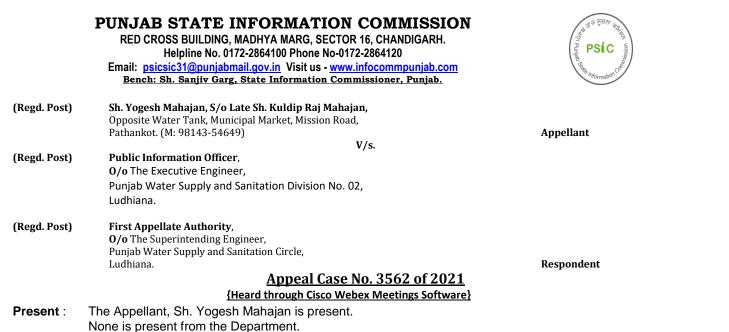
Also, the PIO is directed to supply the information again to the Appellant after removing the deficiencies only if there would be any deficiencies pointed out by the Appellant to their department well in time.

This case is adjourned to **31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **31.01.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.** 

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Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 16.11.2021



#### ORDER:

<u>The date of RTI application is 05.05.2021, the date of First Appeal is 10.06.2021 and the date of</u> Appeal filed in the Commission is 06.08.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan states that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as information is still not supplied to the Appellant till date and moreover nobody appears from the concerned department today.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Division No. 02, Ludhiana, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to **31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **31.01.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex** <u>Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.</u>

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Dated: 16.11.2021

Show Cause: (Regd. Post)	Public Inform	nation Officer,
	<b>O/o</b> The Exect	itive Engineer,
	Punjab Water	Supply and Sanitation Division No. 02
	Ludhiana.	{Encl. RTI Application}

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**Sh. Yogesh Mahajan, S/o Late Sh. Kuldip Raj Mahajan,** Opposite Water Tank, Municipal Market, Mission Road,

Pathankot. (M: 98143-54649)

Public Information Officer,O/o The Executive Engineer,Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Division No. 02,Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**, **O/o** The Superintending Engineer, Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Circle, Ludhiana.

## Appeal Case No. 3563 of 2021

V/s.

#### {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan is present. None is present from the Department. ORDER:

<u>The date of RTI application is 05.05.2021, the date of First Appeal is 10.06.2021 and the date of</u> Appeal filed in the Commission is 06.08.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan states that no information has been supplied to him till date.

On the other hand, none is present from the department.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as information is still not supplied to the Appellant till date and moreover nobody appears from the concerned department today.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Division No. 02, Ludhiana, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to **31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **31.01.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex** Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Dated: 16.11.2021



(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Sd/-

Respondent

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Ram Chander, S/o Sh. Tika Ram, House No. 910, Sector 70, Village Mattaur, SAS Nagar (Mohali). M: 9988324075

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Secretary, Punjab School Education Board, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)

## First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Vice Chariman, Punjab School Education Board, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali).

<u> Appeal Case No. 4308 of 2021</u>

# {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

The Appellant, Sh. Ram Chander is absent.

Sh. Niranjan Lal, Assistant Secretary Establishment of Punjab School Education Board is present.

## ORDER:

Present :

<u>The date of RTI application is 25.06.2021, the date of First Appeal is 28.07.2021 and the date of</u> Appeal filed in the Commission is 21.09.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Ram Chander is absent.

On the other hand, the representative of the Department, Sh. Niranjan Lal states that the information relating to point number 2, 4 and 5 has already been supplied to the Appellant and the information which has been requested by the Appellant relating to point number 01 is not clarified and information relating to point number 3 of his RTI is relating to a person's personal information.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that the notice of hearing which was sent to the Appellant has been received back to the Commission by the postal services. A copy of this order be sent to the Appellant through registered post.

In view of above, an opportunity is given to the Appellant, Sh. Ram Chander and he is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

The Appellant is also directed to clear the facts of this case to the department relating to the point number 1 of the RTI and also he is directed to mention his interest in gathering the personal information relating to a lady as mentioned in point number 03 of the RTI Application, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

Also, the PIO is directed to supply the information again to the Appellant after removing the deficiencies only if there would be any deficiencies pointed out by the Appellant to their department well in time.

This case is adjourned to 31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 31.01.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Appellant

Respondent

Dated: 16.11.2021

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 16.11.2021

Sh. Nathu Ram Sihag, S/o Sh. Mahabir Sihag, R/o Village Taja Patti, Tehsil Abohar - 152122 M: 94638-22000

**Public Information Officer**, O/o The Block Primary Education Officer,

Abohar- 2, Tehsil Abohar, District Fazilka.

**Public Information Officer**, **O/o** The Head Mistress, Govt. Middle School, Taja Patti, District Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority, **O/o** The District Education Officer (Secondary Education), Fazilka.

## Appeal Case No. 4260 of 2021

V/s.

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

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Email: psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in Visit us - www.infocommpunjab.com Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Nathu Ram is absent.

None is present from the Department. ORDER:

The date of RTI application is 29.06.2021, the date of First Appeal is 02.08.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 20.09.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Nathu Ram is absent but an email dated 15.11.2021 has been received in the Commission in which he has mentioned that he has received the information relating to point number 3 and 4 of the RTI application and requested for information from FAA relating to point number 1 and 2 of his RTI application and further also stated that he could not appear in today's hearing as he has to appear in the Hon'ble Session Court of Fazilka.

On the other hand, the concerned department is directed to email the authority letter to the Commission well in time to represent this case in future hearings else no one will be entertained. Hence, the present officials are marked absent.

### If the Advocate has to appear further then he should submit his Vakalatnama to the Commission well in time.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that an email dated 11.11.2021 from gms.tajapattifzr@gmail.com has been received in the Commission which is taken on record.

In view of above, an opportunity is given to the PIO and the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite pointwise information to the Appellant by registered post or email within 3 weeks positively (along with a copy to the Commission) and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in writing in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, an opportunity is given to the Appellant, Sh. Nathu Ram and he is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 31.01.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

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Appellant

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**R/o** House No. B-2 – 698 / 6-E, Chhawani Street, Ludhiana. (141008) **M: 9779111717** 

Public Information Officer,O/o The Director, Department of Local Government, Punjab,Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

#### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Additional Director, Department of Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

#### Appeal Case No. 3574 of 2021 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Mohit Garu is present.

Sh. Kapil, Senior Assistant along with Sh. Vikas Kumar Senior Assistant is present from the Department. **ORDER:** 

V/s.

<u>The date of RTI application is 23.04.2021, the date of First Appeal is 04.06.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in</u> the Commission is 06.08.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Mohit Garu states that incomplete information has been supplied to him till date and further requests for the same.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent / PIO states that the information relating to point number 2 and 3 relates with Election Commission and whatever information was available with them has already been supplied to the Appellant twice. He further mentions about an email dated 12.11.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant is directed **to visit at the office of concerned PIO on 23.11.2021 at 12.00 Noon** and gather the record after inspecting the same as per the RTI Application.

The concerned PIO and other concerned officials are directed to be present there on the said date and time to facilitate the Appellant and supply the specific record required by the Appellant relating to this case, as per RTI Application.

Also, if inspection does not take place due to any reason from the concerned Respondent / PIO then suitable action would be taken against the PIO.

If the Appellant does not visit to the concerned office on the said date and time then it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

The Appellant, Sh. Mohit Garu is also directed that after inspection if he is not satisfied with the supplied information then the Appellant is directed to submit the letter of deficiencies to the concerned PIO by hand or email along with a copy to the Commission within 5 days.

Also, both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next date of hearing for clarifying the facts of this case.

The concerned PIO is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to the RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which a strict action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The Appellant is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 02.02.2022 at 12:00 Noon and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 02.02.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Madhya Marg, Sector -16, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.



Respondent

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Sh. Jagjit Singh, (99142-48131)R/o Aman Nagar, Street No. 03,B/s Green Land School, Near Jalandhar Bypass Ludhiana.

V/s.

Public Information Officer, O/o The Director, Local Government, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot no. 3, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Principal Secretary, Local Government, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot no. 3, Chandigarh.

## Appeal Case No. 3604 of 2021 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh is present. Sh. Rajiv Saggar, APIO from O/o Chief Vigilance along with Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Senior Assistant Municipal Service Cell is present.

ORDER:

The date of RTI application is 03.05.2021, the date of First Appeal is 16.06.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 10.08.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Jagjit Singh states that he has received the information relating to point number 01 only and further requests for information.

On the other hand, the APIO from Chief Vigilance Cell, Sh. Rajiv Saggar states that the information relating to point number 1 has been supplied to the Appellant and information relating to point number 2 to 6 relates with the Directorate Office, Municipal Service Cell, from where, Sh. Jaswinder Singh is representing.

On asking about the information, Sh. Jaswinder Singh states that the information has been sent to the Appellant vide dated 01.09.2021 and again on 12.11.2021, to which the Appellant states that he has only received the information vide dated 16.06.2021.

The representative of the department also mentions about an email dated 13.11.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

# In view of above <u>all the concerned parties / persons</u> are directed to appear in the Commission on the next date of hearing for clarifying the facts of this case.

The concerned PIO is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to the RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which a strict action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The Appellant is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 02.02.2022 at 12:00 Noon and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 02.02.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Madhya Marg, Sector -16, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab



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### Sh. Jagjit Singh, (99142-48131)

R/o Aman Nagar, Street No. 03, B/s Green Land School, Near Jalandhar Bypass Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer,O/o The Department of Local Government, Punjab, Sector 35-A,Plot no. 3, Chandigarh.

## First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Department of Local Government, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot no. 3, Chandigarh.

## Appeal Case No. 3645 of 2021

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh is present. Sh. Rajiv Saggar, APIO from O/o Chief Vigilance Cell is present.

## ORDER:

<u>The date of RTI application is 16.03.2021, the date of First Appeal is 26.04.2021 and the date of</u> Appeal filed in the Commission is 12.08.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Jagjit Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the APIO from Chief Vigilance Cell, Sh. Rajiv Saggar states that they have written to the office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana vide letter dated 09.03.2021 for dealing the complaint of the Appellant as per the rules and supply the information directly to the Appellant. He further mentions about an email dated 13.11.2021 and 14.11.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

In view of above <u>all the concerned parties / persons</u> are directed to appear in the Commission on the next date of hearing for clarifying the facts of this case.

The concerned PIO is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to the RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which a strict action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The Appellant is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 02.02.2022 at 12:00 Noon and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 02.02.2022 which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Madhya Marg, Sector -16, Chandigarh.

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Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 16.11.2021

Appellant

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### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Additional Director, Department of Local Government, Punjab, Sector 35-A, Plot no. 3, Chandigarh.

## <u>Appeal Case No. 3646 of 2021</u>

V/s.

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

#### **Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh is present. Sh. Rajiv Saggar, APIO from O/o Chief Vigilance Cell is present.

#### ORDER:

<u>The date of RTI application is 15.01.2021, the date of First Appeal is 23.02.2021 and the date of</u> Appeal filed in the Commission is 12.08.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Jagjit Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the APIO from Chief Vigilance Cell, Sh. Rajiv Saggar states that the same information has also been requested by the Appellant through an another case i.e. AC: 4055/2021 which is to be heard by the undersigned. He further mentions about an email dated 15.11.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

# In view of above <u>all the concerned parties / persons</u> are directed to appear in the Commission on the next date of hearing for clarifying the facts of this case.

The concerned PIO is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to the RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which a strict action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The Appellant is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to **02.02.2022 at 12:00 Noon** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **02.02.2022** which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Madhya Marg, Sector -16, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 16.11.2021



Respondent

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(Regd. Post)	Sh. R.P. Singh Through Sh. Gurmail Singh Nahar, Advocate,	
	4th Floor, Near Public Lift, Court Complex, Ludhiana.	
	M: 9779048083	Appellant
	V/s.	
(Regd. Post)	Public Information Officer,	
	<b>O/o</b> The Executive Engineer,	
	Water Supply and Sanitation Department,	
	Division No. 02, Ludhiana.(141002)	
(Regd. Post)	First Appellate Authority,	
	<b>O/o</b> The Executive Engineer,	
	Water Supply and Sanitation Department,	
	Division No. 02, Ludhiana.(141002)	Respondent
	<b>Appeal Case No. 3610 of 2021</b>	-
	{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}	
Present :	The Appellant, Sh. R.P. Singh is present.	
	None is present from the Department.	
ORDER:		

The date of RTI application is 22.05.2021, the date of First Appeal is 25.06.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 11.08.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. R.P. Singh states that no information has been supplied to him and further mentions about the letter dated 06.11.2021 and an email dated 08.11.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as information is still not supplied to the Appellant till date and moreover nobody appears today from the concerned department.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Department, Division No. 02, Ludhiana, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. R.P. Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 31.01.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

Dated: 16.11.2021

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(Regd. Post)	<b>Sh. Surjit Singh Aujla,</b> Village Aujla Duk, PO Lidar Kalan,	
	District Jalandhar. (Pin:144502) <b>M: 98767-57790</b>	Appellant
	V/s.	
(Regd. Post)	Public Information Officer,	
	<b>O/o</b> The Executive Engineer,	
	Water Supply and Sanitation Department,	
	Division No. 01, Jalandhar.	
(Regd. Post)	First Appellate Authority,	
( )	<b>O/o</b> The Superintending Engineer,	
	Water Supply and Sanitation Circle, Jalandhar.	Respondent
	<u>Appeal Case No. 3614 of 2021</u>	
	{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software	2}
Present :	The Appellant, Sh. Surjit Singh is present.	
	None is present from the Department.	
ORDER:		
The	e date of RTI application is 26.04.2021, the date of First Appeal is 03.06.	2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the
<u>Commission</u>	<u>n is 11.08.2021.</u>	
In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Surjit Singh states that no information has been supplied to him .		
On	the other hand, none is present from the Department.	
After going through the case file, it has been observed that the notice of hearing from the FAA has been received		

back to the Commission which is taken on record. Also, a letter number 4859 dated 11.11.2021 from the office of Executive Engineer has been received to the Commission which is taken on record.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as nobody appears today from the concerned department and as per Appellant no information has been supplied to him.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Executive Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Department, Division No. 01, Jalandhar, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. R.P. Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 31.01.2022 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

Dated: 16.11.2021

Show Cause:

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

 Public Information Officer,

 O/o The Executive Engineer,

 Water Supply and Sanitation Department,

 Division No. 01, Manbro Chawk, Model Town, Jalandhar.

Encl. RTI Application

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Sh. Munish Kumar, S/o Sh. Gurdev Kumar,
Barnala Road, Ward No. 01, Dhanaula, District Barnala.
M: 97803-34000

**Public Information Officer**, **O/o** The Naib Tehsilar, Dhanaula, District Barnala (Punjab)

**First Appellate Authority**, **O/o** The Sub Divisional Magistrate, Barnala (148101)

# <u>Appeal Case No. 3636 of 2021</u>

{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}

V/s.

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Munish Kumar is present. Sh. Ashu Joshi, Naib Tehsildar is present from the Department.

## ORDER:

<u>The date of RTI application is 05.04.2021, the date of First Appeal is 17.05.2021 and the</u> date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 12.08.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Munish Kumar states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the Naib Tehsildar, Sh. Ashu Joshi states that the Appellant is asking for registry copies which are not specific and personnel as well.

On asking the purpose of requesting this type of information to which the Appellant states that he thinks that the property has been transferred wrongly and wanted to know without name (ਬੇਨਾਮੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਰਟੀ) the property which has been transferred to any other person or in their blood relation.

After discussing with both the parties, it has been decided by the undersigned that if the Appellant wants to know about his personal properties or some specific properties then he could ask for the same from the department.

An opportunity is given to the Appellant to submit the letter vide which he could ask about his properties to the department and send a copy of the same to the Commission by registered or through email within 4 weeks failing which it would be assumed that he does not require the information any more and the case would be decided on merits.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the information relating to the Appellant's personal property if he asks the same from the department well in time else no need to supply the personnel information of any other person.

This case is adjourned to **31.01.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **31.01.2022** which is going to be heard through **Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.** 

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Respondent