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Balwinder Singh, Inspector No. 131, GRP (Retd.), # 96-A, New Sunder Nagar, Village Tharike (Opposite Mediway Hospital), Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Assistant Inspector General, Government Railway Police, Punjab, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Additional Director General of Railway Police, (ADGP Railway), Punjab Police Headquarter, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 1192 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Kirpal Singh, (Counsel for the Appellant) 99151-82000 Ravinder Kumar, Superintendent GRP (for the respondent) 94630-66929

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **29.10.2020**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **26.12.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding his retirement and denial of extension of service etc.</u> as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.2.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **19.3.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **29.10.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present through Video Conference. The appellant is represented by his lawyer Kirpal Singh. The respondent PIO, represented by Ravinder Kumar, Superintendent, GRP has brought the requested information to this hearing. He is directed to send the same by Registered Post to the address of the appellant with a scanned copy to this Commission before 5 pm today. The appellant is given an opportunity to examine the furnished information.
- 3. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

4. <u>Next hearing on 22.1.2021 at 12.00 pm through Video Conference at Deputy Commissioner Office, Patiala.</u>

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Gurcharan Singh, S/o Jawahar Singh, House No, 113-A, Street No.4, Ekta Nagar, Malout-152107

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o. Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (Suburban), Malout.

First Appellate Authority, o/o Chief Engineer DS West, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, Opposite GNDTP, Malout Road, District Bathinda.

Appeal Case No. 1159 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurvinderpal Singh(for the Appellant) 91073-00058 (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 29.10.2020)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **20.11.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding an electricity connection</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.12.2019** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.3.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **29.10.2020**.
- 2. The respondent PIO is absent without any intimation. The appellant is represented by his son Gurinderpal Singh had, as directed by this Commission at the last hearing on 29.10.2020, listed the deficiencies in the information provided by the respondent.
- 3. The respondent is given one final opportunity to file written reply to the deficiencies listed by the appellant in his letter of 16.11.2020. The respondent is also directed to supply all the information available in the records. This must be done before the next hearing, failing which penal action could be initiated against the respondent PIO.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents/information supplied to appellants/complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. Next hearing on 27.1.2021 at 12.00 pm through Video Conference at Deputy Commissioner Office, Muktsar.

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REGISTERED

Madan Lal,

S/o Om Parkash, Jain Niwas MCB Zone-2, # 10803, Street No. 18, Parinda Road 18, Guru Teg Bahadur Nagar, District Bathinda – 151 001

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Nagar Council, Gidderbaha, District Sri Muktsar Sahib. First Appellate Authority, o/o Regional Deputy Director, Local Bodies Government Punjab, 209-E, Mini Secretariat, Distsrict Bathinda.

Appeal Case No. 1343 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Madan Lal (Appellant) 98723-67068 (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **29.10.2020**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **20.1.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding property numbers with owners' names etc. along with names, designation, address and contact numbers etc. of PIOs and APIOs, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.2.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **27.5.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on 2**9.10.2020**.
- 2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation for the second time in succession. This is despite this Commission's Order of 29.10.2020, whereby he was directed to file a written reply with regard to point No.1 of the RTI application. However, in view of the respondent PIO's continuance attempt to ignore this Commission's directions, he is herewith served with a Show Cause as under:

The respondent PIO is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing wilful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **20.1.2020**.

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"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provisio there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex parte."

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

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

4. <u>Next hearing on 27.1.2021 at 12.00 pm through Video Conference at Deputy Commissioner Office, Bathinda.</u>

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh 16.12.2020

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Gurdeep Singh,

S/o Balbir Singh, Adda Chabhal, Jhabal Kalan, District Tarn Taran.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o XEN, Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd, Tarn Taran. First Appellate Authority, o/o Chief Engineer, Operational, Border Zone, Amritsar.

Appeal Case No. 1297 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Sukhdeep Singh (Counsel for the Appellant) 98722-07918 Tarsem Kumar, APIO-Cum-Senior XEN (for the Respondent) 96461-13022

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **29.10.2020**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **12.9.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding an Electric Connection in Sub Division Jhawal**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.5.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **29.10.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present through Video Conference, at the office of Deputy Commissioner Tarn Taran. The respondent PIO, represented by APIO-cum-Senior XEN Tarsem Kumar, submitted that the appellant has not yet listed deficiencies in the information provided to him, as was directed by this Commission at the last hearing on 29.10.2020.
- 3. The appellant however stated that he had listed deficiencies in an email to the respondent PIO as well as this Commission on 14.12.2019. The appellant is requested to hand over a copy of the list of deficiencies to the respondent. The respondent PIO is directed to submit a written reply to the deficiencies listed by the appellant with a copy to this Commission.
- 4. The respondent must also email a copy of the original reply and information sent to the appellant in reply to his RTI application, to the Commission.

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Appeal Case No. 1297 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

6. <u>Next hearing on 12.2.2021 at 12.00 pm through Video Conference at Deputy</u> Commissioner Office, Tarn Taran.

(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh 16.12.2020

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Sampooran Singh, S/o Lal Singh, VPO Bakipur, Tehsil & District Tarn Taran – 143 302

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Sub Divisional Officer, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited, Jhabal, District Tarn Taran. First Appellate Authority, o/o XEN, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,

Appeal Case No. 1376 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Tarn Taran.

Sampooran Singh (Appellant) 98141-22531 Jatinder Kumar, SDO (for the Respondent) 96461-13084

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 29.10.2020)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **20.12.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding theft of electricity in Sub. Division, Jhabal, Tarn Taran,</u> as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **3.2.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.5.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **29.10.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present through Video Conference, at the office of Deputy Commissioner Tarn Taran. The respondent PIO, represented by Jatinder Kumar, SDO Jhabal, stated that the information requested was sent to the appellant vide Registered Post on 17.2.2020 vide Memo No. 180. The appellant however, insists that he has not received any information. The respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of the information sent to the appellant on 17.2.2020 along with a copy of the postal receipt and dispatch register page, wherein it was entered.
- 3. The respondent must also note that any information supplied in response to the RTI application must be duly attested (as under) and signed by the PIO, and not by any subordinate official.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. Next hearing on 12.2.2021 at 12.00 pm through Video Conference, at the office of Deputy Commissioner, Tarn Taran.

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Gurinderbir Singh,

S/o Darbara Singh, Village Fazalpur, PO Mianwind, Tehsil Kahdoor Sahib, District Tarn Taran – 143 112

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd., Nagoke, Tehsil Khadoor Sahib, District Tarn Taran – 143 117

Complaint Case No. 104 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurinderbir Singh (Complainant) 79733-95453 Kanwal Kumar Modgil, AEE (for the Respondent) 96461-13092

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 29.10.2020)

- 1. The complainant, **Gurinderbir Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **10.10.2019** and sought **information regarding installation of electricity poles**, from the PIO o/o **PSPCL**, **Tarn Taran**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **23.1.2020**. The case was last heard on **29.10.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present through Video Conference, at the office of Deputy Commissioner Tarn Taran. At the last hearing on 29.10.2020, the respondent was directed to furnish information requested at points 1 to 9 of the RTI application after duly attesting each and every page. The respondent has failed to comply. However, in view of the prevailing circumstances owing to the ongoing pandemic, the respondent PIO is given one final chance to furnish the information requested in the RTI application accompanied by a point-wise, written reply
- 3. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

4. <u>Next hearing on 12.2.2021 at 12.00 pm through Video Conference at Deputy Commissioner Office, Tarn Taran.</u>