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Shri Kamal Kumar, S/o Shri Tara Chand Verma, R/o Radha Krishan Kuteer, Opp. Rattna Rice Mills, Near Shah Palace, Fazilka.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Council, Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority O/o Municipal Council, Fazilka.

...Respondents

AC No.4408/2021

Present:(i)Shri Kamal Kumar, Appellant.(ii)None on behalf of the PIO/respondent.ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI application is dated 11.05.201 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.07.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.09.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 17.01.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Kamal Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that he has sought information with regard to a colony carved out in Fazilka by a colonizer in the year 2015, such as the approved plan and letters regarding release of water and sewerage connection etc. for the said colony. However, no information has been supplied so far.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Municipal Council, Fazilka has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of this representatives to attend the hearing. The RTI application of the appellant is dated 11.05.2021 and First Appeal is dated 27.07.2021. In spite of a lapse of more than eight months, the appellant has not been provided information. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.

4. The PIO O/o Municipal Council, Fazilka is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the

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instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and for not supplying information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case they does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. The Bench also directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant on the points as raised in his RTI application, before the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
30.03.2022 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Pal Singh S/o Shri Santokh Singh, R/o Radha Krishan Kuteer, Opp. Rattna Rice Mills, Near Shah Palace, Fazilka.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Council, Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority O/o Municipal Council, Fazilka.

...Respondents

AC No.4409/2021

Present:	(i) (ii)	Shri Pal Singh, Appellant. None on behalf of the PIO/respondent.
ORDER		

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI application is dated 12.05.201 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.07.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.09.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 17.01.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Pal Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that he has sought information with regard to a colony carved out in Fazilka by a colonizer in the year 2015 such as the approved plan and letters regarding release of water and sewerage connection etc. for the said colony. However, no information has been supplied so far.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Municipal Council, Fazilka has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of this representatives to attend the hearing. The RTI application of the appellant is dated 12.05.2021 and First Appeal is dated 27.07.2021. In spite of a lapse of more than eight months, the appellant has not been provided information. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.

4. The PIO O/o Municipal Council, Fazilka is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the

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instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and for not supplying information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case they does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. The Bench also directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant on the points as raised in his RTI application, before the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
30.03.2022 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Surinder Kumar Singal, # 541, Sector-33B, Chandigarh.

Versus

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer O/o Greater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA), Mohali.

First Appellate Authority O/o Chief Administrator, Greater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA), Mohali.

AC No.4396/2021

...Respondents

Shri Vipul Babuta, Advocate on behalf of the Appellant. Present: (i) (ii) None on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

ORDER

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

The RTI application is dated 19.02.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as 1. enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 08.04.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 28.09.2021 Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 17.01.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Advocate Vipul Babuta comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex on behalf of the appellant. He states that the appellant is a proprietor of the firm National Woolen Mills and he has sought information vide his RTI application dated 19.02.2021 from GMADA with regard to the correspondence made by GMADA with or on behalf of National Woollen Mills as also requesting for inspection of record. The appellant had been asked to apprise of the name and address of the aforesaid firm in October, 2020 and reply to the same was given by the appellant on 12.10.2021 and thereafter, nothing has been heard from the PIO GMADA, Mohali.

3. Neither the PIO O/o GMADA, Mohali has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of this representatives to attend the hearing. The RTI application of the appellant is dated 19.02.2020 and First Appeal is dated 08.04.2021. In spite of a lapse of more than more than one year, the appellant has not been provided information. This indifferent and lackadaisical attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.



AC No.4396/2021

4. The PIO O/o GMADA, Mohali is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and for not supplying information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case they does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. The Bench directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant on the points as raised in his RTI application, before the next hearing, failing which the penal consequences shall follow.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
30.03.2022 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Surinder Kumar Singal, # 541, Sector-33B, Chandigarh.

Versus

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer O/o Greater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA), Mohali.

First Appellate Authority O/o Chief Administrator, Greater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA), Mohali.

AC No.4395/2021

...Respondents

Shri Vipul Babuta, Advocate on behalf of the Appellant. Present: (i) None on behalf of PIO/Respondent. (ii)

ORDER

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

The RTI application is dated 19.03.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as 1. enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 30.04.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 28.09.2021 Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 17.01.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Advocate Vipul Babuta comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex on behalf of the appellant. He states that the appellant is a proprietor of the firm National Woolen Mills and he has sought information vide his RTI application dated 19.03.2021 from GMADA with regard to the demolition order of a building issued by Regulatory Branch, GMADA, but no information has been supplied by the PIO GMADA, Mohali.

3. Neither the PIO O/o GMADA, Mohali has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of this representatives to attend the hearing. The RTI application of the appellant is dated 19.03.2020 and First Appeal is dated 30.04.2021. In spite of a lapse of more than more than one year, the appellant has not been provided information. This indifferent and lackadaisical attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.

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4. The PIO O/o GMADA, Mohali is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and for not supplying information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case they does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. The Bench directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant on the points as raised in his RTI application, before the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
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Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Tejinder Singh, Advocate Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur, District Jalandhar. PSiC South Antonnalion

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o GLADA, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-Addl. Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.4317 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant. (ii) None on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

(Heard through cisco webex)

1. The RTI application is dated 22.11.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 17.04.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.09.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 17.01.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Tejinder Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that no information has been supplied by the PIO.

3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend he hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO/Respondent. The Bench, however, on perusal of the case file observes that a letter dated 08.11.2021 addressed to the appellant is available in the case file stating therein that as per RTI application, it is not clear as to which site of GLADA, the complaint relates. The APIO has also referred to the instructions dated 17.02.2008 of the Department of Information and Technology, Punjab.

4. The Bench observes the PIO has not come present to attend the hearing to present their case as stated in the afore said letter nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hering.

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AC No.4317/2021

This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely. The PIO O/o GLADA, Mohali is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case they does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. The Bench directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant on the points as raised in his RTI application, before the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
30.03.2022 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Tejinder Singh, Advocate Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o GLADA, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-Addl. Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.4316 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant. (ii) None on behalf of PIO/Respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

(Heard through cisco webex)

1. The RTI application is dated 22.11.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 17.04.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.09.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 17.01.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Tejinder Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that no information has been supplied by the PIO.

3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend he hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO/Respondent. The Bench, however, on perusal of the case file observes that a letter dated 08.11.2021 addressed to the appellant is available in the case file stating therein that the information has been sought with regard to Flat No.900 MIG Jamalpur, Ludhian which can be supplied only to the allottee of the flat.

4. The Bench observes the PIO has not come present to attend the hearing to present their case as stated in the afore said letter nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing.

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This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely. The PIO O/o GLADA, Mohali is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case they does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. The Bench directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant on the points as raised in his RTI application, before the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
30.03.2022 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Public Information Officer O/o GLADA, Ludhiana

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Shri Jang Bahadur, S/o Shri Jai Chand, R/o Mandi Aminganj, Roranwali, Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

(Regd.) Public Information Officer, O/o Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Fazilka.
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Fazilka.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1847 of 2021

Present:-(i)Shri Jang Bahadur, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex.(ii)None present on behalf of the respondent.O R D E R

The present appeal was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler. However since the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 03.01.2022.

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 15.12.2021 passed by the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler on the previous hearing.

2. Shri Jang Bahadur, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex to attend the hearing and states that neither the information nor the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- has been provided to him by the PIO.

3. Neither the PIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka comes present nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing for today. It is also observed that the PIO has never appeared before the Commission on any hearing.

4. The PIO has also not complied with the previous Orders passed by the Commission. Neither he has provided the information and compensation to the appellant nor he has filed reply to the Show Cause Notice issued vide Order dated 15.12.2021. So, the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/-, which was awarded in favour of the appellant vide Order dated 30.11.2021 is hereby enhanced to Rs.5,000/-.

..... Appellant

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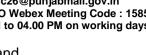
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5. The PIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka is directed to provide the attested copies of sought for information along with demand draft of Rs.5,000/- as compensation to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

6. The PIO is further directed to file written reply to the Show Cause Notice. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
 30.03.2022 at 11:30 am through CISCO Webex. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Vs



Shri Jang Bahadur, S/o Shri Jai Chand, R/o Mandi Aminganj, Roranwali, Tehsil & Distt, Fazilka.

(Read.) Public Information Officer. O/o Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Fazilka. First Appellate Authority. O/o Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Fazilka.

.....Respondent

..... Appellant

Appeal Case No. 1845 of 2021

Present:-(i) Shri Jang Bahadur, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex. None present on behalf of the respondent. (ii) ORDER

The present appeal was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler. However since the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 03.01.2022.

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 15.12.2021 passed by the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler on the previous hearing.

2. Shri Jang Bahadur, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex to attend the hearing and states that neither the information nor the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- has been provided to him by the PIO.

3. Neither the PIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka comes present nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing for today. It is also observed that the PIO has never appeared before the Commission on any hearing.

4. The PIO has also not complied with the previous Orders passed by the Commission. Neither he has provided the information and compensation to the appellant nor he has filed reply to the Show Cause Notice issued vide Order dated 15.12.2021. So, the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/-, which was awarded in favour of the appellant vide Order dated 30.11.2021 is hereby enhanced to Rs.5,000/-.

Appeal Case No. 1845 of 2021

5. The PIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka is directed to provide the attested copies of sought for information along with demand draft of Rs.5,000/- as compensation to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

6. The PIO is further directed to file written reply to the Show Cause Notice. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
30.03.2022 at 11:30 am through CISCO Webex. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Shri Jagshir Singh, S/o Shri Nikku Ram, R/o Fatehpur Maniawala, Tehsil Malout, Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib.

(Regd.) Public Information Officer, O/o Block Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib.
First Appellate Authority, O/o Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1843 of 2021

Present:- (i) Shri Jagshir Singh, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex. (ii) None present on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The present appeal was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler. However since the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 03.01.2022.

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 15.12.2021 passed by the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler on the previous hearing.

2. Shri Jagshir Singh, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex to attend the hearing and states that he has received the amount of compensation of Rs.4,000/-, but the information is still pending.

3. Neither the PIO, O/o BDPO, Sri Muktsar Sahib comes present nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing for today. However the BDPO, Sri Muktsar Sahib has sent a mail to the Commission, which is a copy of letter no.38 dated 05.01.2022 vide which the BDPO, Sri Muktsar Sahib has submitted that the information sought by the appellant relates with BDPO, Lambi.

4. The Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler vide Order dated 15.12.2021 has imposed a penalty of Rs.25,000/- upon the PIO, O/o BDPO, Sri Muktsar Sahib and it was directed to deduct the amount of penalty from the salary of the PIO and to deposit the same



..... Appellant

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in Govt. Treasury and to send compliance report to the Commission. But no compliance report has been received in the office of the Commission.

5. So, the Drawing & Disbursing Officer concerned is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs.25,000/- from the salary of the PIO, O/o BDPO, Lambi and deposit the same in State Treasury in the following Head of Account and to report its compliance to the Commission before the next hearing:- -

0070-Other Administrative Services – 60-Other Services-

-0800-Other Receipts- 86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005.

6. With the aforesaid directions the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
30.03.2022 at 11:30 am through CISCO Webex. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Chandigarh 17.01.2022



Shri Gursewak Singh, S/o Shri Major Singh, VPO Chotia, Tehsil Lehragaga, Distt. Sangrur.

(**Regd.**) Public Information Officer, O/o E.O., Block Samiti, Lehragaga,Distt. Sangrur. First Appellate Authority, O/o Distt. Panchayat Officer, Sangrur.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2643 of 2021

Vs

Present:-
comes(i)Shri Sukhwinder Singh on behalf of Shri Gursewak Singh, appellant
present through CISCO Webex.(ii)Shri Baghel Singh, Jr. Asstt. comes present through CISCO Webex.

The present appeal was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler. However since the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 03.01.2022.

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 15.12.2021 passed by the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler on the previous hearing.

2. Shri Sukhwinder Singh on behalf of Shri Gursewak Singh, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex to attend the hearing and states that the appellant has received the information and the amount of compensation of Rs.3,000/-, but the information sent by the PIO is not complete.

3. Shri Baghel Singh, Jr. Asstt. comes present through CISCO Webex and states that the attested copies of information comprising of 107 pages along with demand draft of Rs.3,000/- as compensation has been sent to the appellant through registered post on 07.01.2022.

4. As the representative of the appellant states that complete information has not been provided by the PIO, so the PIO, O/o E.O., Block Samiti, Lehragaga, Distt. Sangrur is directed to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official record. The appellant, after inspection, will identify the information required by him and the PIO will provide the same to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

..... Appellant

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5. With the aforesaid directions the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 30.03.2022 at 11:30 am through CISCO Webex. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned

parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, PSIC Sector 16, Chandigarh. Ph: 0172-2864116, Email: - psic26@punjabmail.gov.in Visit us: - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u>CISCO Webex Meeting Code : 15857-23975 Helpline No. 0172-2864100 (10:00 AM to 04.00 PM on working days) Shri Pawan Kumar, S/o Shri Shiv Lal, Village Rupana, Tehsil & Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib.Appellant. Vs (Regd.) Public Information Officer. O/ o Block Dev. and Panchayat Officer, Block Lambi, Tehsil Malout, Distt. Sri Muktsar Sahib. First Appellate Authority: O/o Distt. Dev. and Panchayat Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib. ---- Respondent Appeal Case No. 2678 of 2021 Present:-Shri Pawan Kumar, appellant is absent. (i) Shri Surinder Pal Singh, Panchayat Secretary comes present through (ii) CISCO Webex.

The present appeal was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler. However since the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 03.01.2022.

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 15.12.2021 passed by the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler on the previous hearing.

2. Shri Pawan Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through CISCO Webex. However, when contacted on mobile phone he states that due to his accident he was unable to attend the previous hearings and today's hearing before the Commission and requested for adjournment.

3. Shri Surinder Pal Singh, Panchayat Secretary comes present through CISCO Webex and states that the record regarding the information sought by the appellant has not been handed over to him by the previous Panchayat Secretary.

4. The PIO, O/o BDPO, Block Lambi is directed to provide the attested copies of sought for information along with demand draft of Rs.3,000/- as compensation to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

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5. The PIO is further directed to file written reply to the Show Cause Notice. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
30.03.2022 at 11:30 am through CISCO Webex. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Shri Dilbagh Chand, S/o Shri Ramji Dass, Village Hiyatpur, P.O. Habowal, Tehsil Samrala, Distt. Ludhiana.

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/ o Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Sector 62, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority: O/o Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Sector 62, Mohali.

.....Respondent

.....Appellant.

Appeal Case No. 2012 of 2021

Present:-(i)Shri Dilbagh Chand, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex.(ii)Shri Baljit Singh, Sr. Asstt. comes present through CISCO Webex.O R D E R

The present appeal was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler. However since the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 03.01.2022.

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 15.12.2021 passed by the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler on the previous hearing.

2. Shri Dilbagh Chand, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex to attend the hearing and states that he has received the letter dated 29.12.2021 sent by the PIO, but the requisite information regarding point no.4 of the RTI application has not been provided to him by the PIO.

3. Shri Baljit Singh, Sr. Asstt. comes present through CISCO Webex and states that the information related with point no.4 of the RTI application has been received from the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Ludhiana, which has been sent to the appellant through registered post vide letter dated 29.12.2021. He further states that a copy of the same has also been sent to the Commission.

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4. The Commission has received a mail sent by the PIO, which is a copy of letter no.8919 dated 29.12.2021 along with a copy of letter no.4173 dated 15.12.2021 and a copy of letter no.12734 dated 14.12.2021.

5. The respondent states that through point no.4 of the RTI application the appellant sought information regarding action taken on his application dated 27.01.2021 and regarding that report has been received from the office of the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Ludhiana vide letter no.4173 dated 15.12.2021, which has further been sent to the appellant through registered post on 29.12.2021.

6. After the perusal of the RTI application and the letters sent by the PIO, it is found that the PIO has resolved the matter involved in the RTI application and sent the information related with point no.4 of the RTI application to the appellant through registered post on 29.12.2021.

7. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. The instant appeal case is **disposed off and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Shri Balvir S/o Sh.Jagar, Village Bhullan, Tehsil Munak, Distt. Sangrur.

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Rural Development & Panchayat
Department, Pb.,
Mohali.
First Appellate Authority:
O/o Director, Rural Development
& Panchayat Department, Pb.,
Mohali.

(i)

..Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2967 of 2021

Present:-

through CISCO Webex. (ii) Smt. Sarabjit Kaur, BDPO, Anadana at Moonak comes present through CISCO Webex.

Shri Ramesh Kumar on behalf of Shri Balvir, appellant comes present

ORDER

The present appeal was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler. However since the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 03.01.2022.

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 15.12.2021 passed by the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler on the previous hearing.

2. Shri Ramesh Kumar on behalf of Shri Balvir, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex to attend the hearing and states that neither the information nor the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- has been provided to the appellant by the PIO.

3. Smt. Sarabjit Kaur, BDPO, Anadana at Moonak comes present through CISCO Webex and states that the information related with her office has already been sent to the appellant.

4. Shri Ramesh Kumar, the representative of the appellant states that the RTI application dated 08.03.2021 in the present case has been filed before the PIO, O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali and the information sought relates with the complaint against the BDPO, Anadana at Moonak.



Appellant.

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5. After the perusal of the RTI application and the case file, it is found that the RTI application dated 08.03.2021 in the present case has been filed before the PIO, O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali and further the RTI application of the appellant has been transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the DDPO, Sangrur for taking further necessary action.

6. So, the PIO, O/o DDPO, Sangrur is directed to provide the attested copies of information along with demand draft of Rs.2,000/- as compensation to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

7. The PIO, O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali and the DDPO, Sangrur both are directed to attend the hearing in the present case on the next date.

With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
 30.03.2022 at 11:30 am through CISCO Webex. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

(Regd.) CC: DDPO, Sangrur. – for compliance of the Order of the Commission.



Shri Balvir S/o Sh. Jagar, Village Bhullan, Tehsil Munak, Distt. Sangrur.

Public Information Officer

Versus

O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Pb., Mohali.

First Appellate Authority:

O/o Director, Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Pb., Mohali.

Respondent

--Appellant.

Appeal Case No.: 2956 of 2021

Present:-

- (i) Shri Ramesh Kumar on behalf of Shri Balvir, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex.
- (ii) Smt. Sarabjit Kaur, BDPO, Anadana at Moonak comes present through CISCO Webex.

The present appeal was earlier allocated to the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler. However since the Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler has demitted his office on the completion of his tenure, the case has been re-allocated to the Bench of the undersigned vide Office Order dated 03.01.2022.

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 15.12.2021 passed by the Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner, Shri Avtar Singh Kaler on the previous hearing.

2. Shri Ramesh Kumar on behalf of Shri Balvir, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex to attend the hearing and states that neither the information nor the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- has been provided to the appellant by the PIO.

3. Smt. Sarabjit Kaur, BDPO, Anadana at Moonak comes present through CISCO Webex and states that the information related with her office has already been sent to the appellant.

4. Shri Ramesh Kumar, the representative of the appellant states that the RTI application dated 01.03.2021 in the present case has been filed before the PIO, O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali and the information sought relates with the complaint against the BDPO, Anadana at Moonak.

Appeal Case No. 2956 of 2021

5. After the perusal of the RTI application and the case file, it is found that the RTI application dated 01.03.2021 in the present case has been filed before the PIO, O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali and further the RTI application of the appellant has been transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the DDPO, Sangrur for taking further necessary action.

6. So, the PIO, O/o DDPO, Sangrur is directed to provide the attested copies of information along with demand draft of Rs.2,000/- as compensation to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

7. The PIO, O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Punjab, Mohali and the DDPO, Sangrur both are directed to attend the hearing in the present case on the next date.

With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
 30.03.2022 at 11:30 am through CISCO Webex. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 17.01.2022 Sd/-((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

(Regd.) CC: DDPO, Sangrur. – for compliance of the Order of the Commission.