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Sh. Gurdeep Singh,
R/o H No-3023, Agwaar Ladhai,
Rani Wala Khu,
Jagraon, Distt. Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3641 of 2020

Present: Sh.Gurdeep Singh as the Appellant
None for the Respondent

Order:

The appellant through RTI application dated 20.07.2020 has sought information regarding action taken on the application dated 12.06.2020 and other information concerning the office of Civil Surgeon Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided the information, after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 08.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. The appellant claims that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent is absent.

Having gone through the record, the Commission observes that there has been an enormous delay of more than seven months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time.** He/she should file an affidavit in this regard. If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such persons of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The PIO is again directed to provide the information to the appellant within 10 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

To come up for further hearing on **15.06.2021 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh
Dated:17.03.2021

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
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Smt Parmjit Kaur, W/o Sh. Onkar Prasad,
Village Chachrari, Tehsil Phillaur,
Distt Jalandhar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Child Development and Project Officer,
Rurka Kalan, Distt Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Social Security Officer,
Jalandhar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3945 of 2020

Present: Smt.Paramjit Kaur as the Appellant
Smt.Amarjit Kaur, CDPO, Rurka Kalan and Ms.Sushma from the
office of DSCO Jalandhar for the Respondent

Order:

The appellant through RTI application dated 16.12.2019 has sought information regarding copy of APRs of pension distributed in village Chachradi Tehsil Phillaur from 01.01.2014 to 31.10.2016 – monthly amount provided by the Govt. – unreleased pension amount alongwith its draft – account statement and other information concerning the office of Child Development and Project Officer, Rurka Kalan, District Jalandhar. The appellant was not provided the information, after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 10.02.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Jalandhar. The appellant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information but has informed that the information does not relate to them and the same be got from the concerned department.

The respondent present from the office of CDPO informed that since the information relates to the office of District Social Security Officer, the RTI application was marked to them on 23.12.2019.

The Commission has received a copy of letter from the PIO-CDPO dated 22.02.2021 vide which the PIO has informed the appellant that the information does not relate to them and the same be got from the concerned department.

The respondent present from the office of DSCO Jalandhar has brought no information.

At the hearing, it was concluded that the information is in the custody of District Social Security Officer, Jalandhar. The PIO-DSSO Jalandhar is directed to provide information to the appellant within 15 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

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The Commission further observes that there has been an enormous delay in attending to the RTI application as per the provisions of the RTI Act. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO O/o Child Development and Project Officer (at the time of filing RTI application) Rurka Kalan to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time.** He/she should file an affidavit in this regard. If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such persons of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **28.04.2021 at 11.00 AM** through a video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Jalandhar.

Chandigarh
Dated:17.03.2021

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Sh. Jasbir Singh,
Guru Nanak Nagar,
Village Bolapur, Jhabewal,
P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Food and Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs,
Sector-17-E, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Principal Secretary,
Food and Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs,
Sector-17-E, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3844 of 2020

Present: None for the Appellant
None for the Respondent

Order:

The appellant through RTI application dated 25.08.2019 has sought information regarding action taken on the complaint dated 17.08.2020 from the office of Governor Punjab which transferred the same to Principal Secretary, Food & Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Pb Chandigarh u/s 6(3) vide letter dated 04.09.2020. The appellant was not provided the information, after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 30.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. Both the parties are absent. The appellant vide email has informed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The Commission has also received an email from Sh.Satnam Singh, Food Safety Officer, Amritsar stating that he is the PIO in appeal case No.3844 of 2020 and appeal case No.4053 of 2020 and sought exemption on the plea that he has suffered Covid-19 and is quarantined.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **15.06.2021 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh
Dated:17.03.2021

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P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Health & Family Welfare,
Sector-34-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Health & Family Welfare,
Sector-34-A, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4053 of 2020

Present: None for the Appellant
Sh.Amandeep Singh, Computer Operator O/o Food & Drug
Administration, Kharar for the Respondent

Order:

The appellant through RTI application dated 25.08.2020 has sought information regarding action taken on the complaint dated 17.08.2020 filed with Principal Secretary Health & Family Welfare, Punjab Chandigarh and other information from the office of Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab, Chandigarh which transferred the RTI application to Director Health & Family Welfare, Pb vide letter dated 08.09.2020. The appellant was not provided the information, after which the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 30.09.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. The respondent is absent and the vide letter received in the Commission on 21.01.2021 has informed that the PIO has not provided the information.

The Commission has received an email from PIO-cum-Food Safety Officer, O/o Civil Surgeon, Amritsar stating that the sought information has already been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 02.12.2020, 03.12.2020 and 10.12.2020 and a copy of the same is submitted to the Commission.

The respondent present from the office of Food & Drug Administration, Kharar informed that the enquiry is still pending with the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar and they have already issued letter on 03.12.2020 and again on 04.03.2021 to them to complete the enquiry and send enquiry report. The respondent has submitted a copy of a letter dated 04.03.2021 to the Commission which has been taken on the file of the Commission.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **15.06.2021 at 11.00AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh
Dated 17.03.2021

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