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**APPEAL CASE NO. 0240 OF 2020**

Sh. Jaswinder Singh, (9876064751)  
# 22, Flower Dale Colony,  
Barewal Road, Ludhiana-141012

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o XEN, Water Supply and Sanitation,  
Division No. 2, Amritsar.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Superintendent Engineer,  
Water Supply and Sanitation Circle, Amritsar.

...Respondents

**HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Appellant.  
Sh. Mandeep Singh, XEN –cum- PIO for the Respondents.

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.05.2021.

The Appellant states that the Respondent – PIO neither supplied the complete information nor an Affidavit.

The Respondent – PIO states that he has sent original Affidavit to the Appellant in the morning and copy of the same emailed in the Commission yesterday.

**LAST & Final OPPORTUNITY** is given to the Respondent – PIO (Sh. Mandeep Singh, XEN –cum- PIO) to file proper point-wise Affidavit, before the next date of hearing, failing which strict action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated against him.

The perusal of the record reveals that in this case, the appellant has tried his best to get the information from the PIO who failed to provide the information to the appellant within stipulated period. He has been made to run from pillar to post for getting the information, which he could not get even after the notice was issued by the Commission in the Second Appeal. He has suffered unnecessary detriments/harassment in getting the information at the hands of the PIO.

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I have also looked into all the facts and circumstances of the case. In my view this is a fit case, where award of compensation under Section 19 (8) (b) is also called for. I have no doubt in my mind that this state of affairs has also come about on account of the absence of adequate machinery for handling the RTI work in O/o XEN, Water Supply and Sanitation, Division No. 2, Amritsar, is thus, responsible for the inadequate handling of the RTI request and in the instant case as well. I, therefore, order that compensation of Rs. 3000/- (Rupees Three Thousand Only) be paid to the appellant for the detriments suffered by him.

This amount shall be payable from the funds of O/o XEN, Water Supply and Sanitation, Division No. 2, Amritsar by way of crossed Cheque/Demand Draft in the name of Sh. Jaswinder Singh within one month.

The Respondent - PIO is directed to send a copy of Cheque/Demand Draft to the Commission to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with. He is further directed to file a reply in response to the Show Cause Notice to him vide order dated 02.03.2021.

The case is adjourned to **14.07.2021 at 12:00 Noon through CISCO WEBEX Meeting ID No. 913428845. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
17.06.2021**

Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)  
State Information Commissioner**

**Copy to intimation and further necessary action: (Regd. Post)**

**Sh. Mandeep Singh, XEN,**  
Public Information Officer,  
O/o XEN, Water Supply and Sanitation,  
Division No. 2, Amritsar.

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**COMPLAINT CASE NO. 0578 OF 2020**

Sh. Tejinder Singh S/o Amrik Singh (9888008964)  
Plot No. 1, Opp. House No. 3305/E,  
Near Ganesh Mandir, Dhamoli,  
Tehsil Rajpura, District Patiala.

...Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Executive Officer,  
Nagar Council, Banur, District Patiala.

...Respondent

**HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Tejinder Singh, Complainant.  
Sh. Ashok Kumar, Jr. Assistant on behalf of the Respondents.

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.05.2021.

The Complainant states that no reply/information has been supplied to him by the Respondents till date.

The Respondent again states that complainant has been called to collect the demanded information from the office but he did not turn up.

The Respondent is directed to supply the available information to the complainant if there is no information than supply the Affidavit in this regard. He further directed to file a reply in response to the Show Cause Notice issued to him vide order dated 16.02.2021, before the next date of hearing, failing which penalty will be imposed upon the PIO.

The case is adjourned to **20.07.2021 at 11.00 AM** through **CISCO WEBEX** Meeting ID No. **159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh**  
**17.06.2021**

**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**C.C.:** **Regd. Post**  
**Sh. Baljinder Singh**, Executive Officer,  
Nagar Council, Banur, District Patiala.

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**APPEAL CASE NO. 0916 OF 2021**

Sh. Darshan Singh, (7814005222)  
R/o H No. 83, Street No. 3,  
Dhuri Road, Punia Colony, Sangrur.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Chief Director,  
Punjab Vigilance Bureau,  
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Chief Director,  
Punjab Vigilance Bureau,  
S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

...Respondents

**HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Darshan Singh, Appellant.  
None on behalf of the Respondents.

**ORDER:**

The RTI application is dated 24.10.2020 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 28.12.2020 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.02.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties.

The Appellant states that no information has been provided to him by the Respondents.

The PIO is absent for today's hearing, inspite of the Notice/Orders of the Commission. This shows his disregard to the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case.

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**APPEAL CASE NO. 0916 OF 2021**

In view of the above, the Respondent – PIO is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally (through CISCO Webex), on the next date of hearing, failing which strict action will be initiated against him as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The case is adjourned to **15.07.2021 at 11:00 AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**17.06.2021**

Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**PS.**

Sh. Sukhmander Singh, Inspector on behalf of the Respondents appeared after the hearing was over. He was apprised the hearing.

**Chandigarh**  
**17.06.2021**

Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

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## **APPEAL CASE NO. 3051 OF 2020**

Sh. Abhishek Sharma, (9416690380)  
S/o Sh. Chandgi Ram Sharma,  
C/o Chamber No. 104, District Court Complex,  
Sector-43, Chandigarh.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Municipal Council,  
Zirakpur, District S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Municipal Council,  
Zirakpur, District S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

...Respondents

## **HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/VC/TELEPHONE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Abhishek Sharma, Appellant.  
None on behalf of the Respondents.

### **ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.05.2021.

The Appellant states that no information has been provided to him till date.

The Respondent is absent for today's hearing. He was also absent on the last date of hearings i.e. 24.12.2020, 03.03.2021 and 06.05.2021.

On the previous hearing dated: 06.05.2021, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the Executive Officer – cum – PIO O/o Municipal Council, Zirakpur, District S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) but he did not bother to inform the Commission.

It also transpires that the no information has been supplied to the appellant. It is clear that he does not have any respect for the statutory institution. The Commission cannot take it lying down. The matter has to be taken to a logical end.

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**APPEAL CASE NO. 3051 OF 2020**

While exercising its authority under Section 18 (3) (a) of the RTI Act, 2005, a bailable warrant is issued against Executive Officer – cum – PIO O/o Municipal Council, Zirakpur, District S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali), with the direction to the Senior Superintendent of Police, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) to serve it on him to appear along with entire relevant record, before the Commission on **18.08.2021 at 12:00 Noon**. So that appropriate action is taken on the Show Cause Notice issued to him. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
17.06.2021**

Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**Copy to Intimation & Necessary Action: - (Regd. Post)**

**Shri Satinder Singh, IPS**  
Senior Superintendent of Police  
District Administrative Complex,  
Sector-76, SAS Nagar Mohali-160071

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**APPEAL CASE NO. 3499 OF 2020**

Shri Prem Kumar Rattan , (8509580002)  
# 78/8, Park Road, Navi Mandi,  
DHURI, District Sangrur.

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
BARNALA.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
BARNALA.

...Respondents

**HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE**

**PRESENT:** Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan, Appellant. (Telephonically)  
Sh. Vicky Dabla, Sr. Assistant on behalf of the Respondents.

**ORDER:**

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.04.2021.

The Respondent states that requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 23.02.2021.

The Appellant states that incomplete and un-attested information has been provided to him and he has emailed un-signed documents in the Commission.

The Respondent is directed to attest the information along with supply the remaining information, if any, before the next date of hearing, failing which **Show Cause Notice** will be issued to the PIO.

The case is adjourned to **18.08.2021 at 12:00 Noon through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh**  
**17.06.2021**

Sd/-  
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**APPEAL CASE NO. 4021 OF 2020**

Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, (9888490031)  
H. No. 60-35-P376-1, Street No. 8,  
Maha Singh Nagar, P.O. Dhandari Kalan,  
Ludhiana-141014

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,  
Vigilance Bureau, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,  
Vigilance Bureau, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

**HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE**

**PRESENT:** None on behalf of the Appellant.  
ASI Paramjit Singh on behalf of the Respondents.

**ORDER:**

The RTI application is dated 14.09.2020 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 15.10.2020 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 14.12.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties.

The Appellant is absent. The Respondent states that requisite information/reply has already been sent to Appellant vide letter no. 4160/R.T.I., dated 12.10.2020 mentioning therein that his complaint has been sent to the Inspector General of Police, Economic Crime Branch, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, Sector-68, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) vide letter no. 4136/A.C.-1, dated 09.10.2020, for further necessary action and which is under consideration.

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**APPEAL CASE NO. 4021 OF 2020**

After perusal the case file, it is revealed that the PIO has mentioned in his written submission that complaint of the Appellant has already been sent to his First Appellate Authority i.e. the Inspector General of Police, Economic Crime Branch, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, Sector-68, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) for further necessary action. Therefore, PIO of the said office, file his written submission in the Commission, on the complaint made by the appellant, before the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.

The Appellant is also directed to follow up his case in the Commission, failing which case will be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to **18.08.2021 at 12:00 Noon through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh  
17.06.2021**

Sd/-  
**(Hem Inder Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

**Copy of the above said order is forwarded to the following for intimation and further necessary action:-**

- 1. The Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Inspector General of Police,  
Economic Crime Branch, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab,  
Sector-68, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).