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Preet Arora,

D/o Sh. Jagjit Singh,

405, Back Side of Gurdwara,

Dashmesh Nagar, Kharar,

District Mohali-140301

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,

District Patiala-147001

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Inspector General of Police,

District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 456 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gyan Bhagat Singh Advocate (for the Appellant) 98552-00359

ASI Hakam Singh (for the Respondent) 94643-92733

ORDER:

1. The RTI applications are dated **5.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding her spouse Inspector Gurmeet Singh by way of some details from his service book, ex-India leave availed by him etc. in five points**, as enumerated in her RTI applications. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.11.20** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.21** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.9.2021**.
2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility. The appellant is represented by her lawyer Gyan Bhagat Singh. The respondent PIO-cum-SSP Patiala, in a submission (No. 456/2021. 31AC920RTI dated 27.5.2021 to this Commission, claimed exemption from disclosing the requested information as the police official cited in the RTI application has prohibited such disclosure to the appellant, on the premise that the information sought is "personal" to him.
3. Notably, the FAA in his Order / Letter to the appellant (No. 123/RTI dated 1.1.2021) had upheld the respondent PIO's decision to deny the requested information and had dismissed the appellant's First Appeal citing Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005.
4. The Commission has gone through the RTI application and other facts enumerated by appellant's counsel, makes note of the fact that the appellant is the wedded spouse of Inspector Gurmit Singh. As per the appellant's counsel, the appellant is currently engaged in a divorce case in a Mohali Court, initiated by Inspector Gurmit Singh.

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5. In view of the above facts and the detailed written submission made by the appellant, this Commission would ordinarily have favored a full disclosure of the requested information, to the appellant.

6. However, keeping in sync with the spirit of the RTI Act, 2005, this Commission grants Inspector Gurmeet Singh (Service No. 501/PR) an opportunity to be heard in person at the next hearing of this Appeal Case. It will be the respondent PIO's responsibility to ensure that Inspector Gurmit Singh is informed about this Order and the date of the next Hearing.

7. The respondent PIO is meanwhile, directed to submit duly attested copies of the information sought vide Points 1 to 5 of the RTI application **to this Commission** within 10 days from receipt of this Order.

8. 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

9. **Next hearing on 15.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility. (The appellant will attend the hearing at DC Office, Mohali and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at DC office, Patiala).**

Sd/-

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Dr. Sat Paul Sharma,
S/o Sh. Inder Raj Sharma,
Flat No. 203/1, Block-2, Housefed Complex,
Banur, District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Municipal Corporation,
Patiala.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Municipal Corporation,
Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 412 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Dr. Sat Paul Sharma (Appellant) 78889-86540
Jagtar Singh, APIO-cum-Chief Veterinary Inspector (for the Respondent) 99142-72078
Rishabh Gupta, Veterinary Inspector (for the Respondent) 81460-55511

ORDER:

1. The RTI applications are dated **28.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding one Dr. Ankit Narang**, as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.11.20** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **11.1.21** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.9.2021**.
2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility. The respondent PIO is directed to send duly attested copies of the concerned file, to this Commission within 10 days from receipt of this order.
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. **Next hearing on 15.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility. (The appellant will attend the hearing at DC Office, Mohali and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at DC office, Patiala).**

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Banur, District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Municipal Corporation, Patiala.

Complaint Case No. 124 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Dr. Sat Paul Sharma (Complainant) 78889-86540
Jagtar Singh, APIO-cum-Chief Veterinary Inspector (for the Respondent) 99142-72078
Rishabh Gupta, Veterinary Inspector (for the Respondent) 81460-55511

ORDER:

1. The complainant, **Dr. Sat Paul Sharma**, filed this RTI application dated **16.10.2019** and sought information **regarding status of letter sent to the Commissioner, Superintending Engineer and Medical Officer, Municipal Corporation, Patiala**, from the PIO o/o **Municipal Corporation, Patiala**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **19.1.2021**. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.9.2021**.

2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility. The respondent PIO, represented by Jagtar Singh, APIO-cum-Chief Inspector Veterinary and Rishab Gupta, Inspector Veterinary, stated that a reply along with 11 pages of notings of the concerned file was sent to the complainant vide Letter No. 2317/MOD Dated 19.10.2020. The complainant however, continues to object and insist that the information is deficient.

3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to draft a pointwise reply to the RTI application and submit this to the Commission with duly attested copies of the information.

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 15.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility. (The appellant will attend the hearing at DC Office, Mohali and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at DC office, Patiala).**

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate,

S/o Late Sh. Deen Dayal,

Chamber No.362,

Lawyers Chamber Complex,

Judicial Courts,

District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o PSOC, Police Station,

Civil Lines, District Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Commissioner of Police,

District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 458 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Rakesh Kumar Gupta (Appellant) 98153-31570

ASI Satwant Singh (for the Respondent) 95699-95100

ORDER:

1. The RTI applications are dated **17.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding FIR No. 106**, as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.10.20** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.21** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.9.2021**.

2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Satwant Singh, states that the FIR cited in the RTI application has now been filed in court after a challan was filed in August 2021. However, in the reply sent to the appellant Dated 29.5.2021, the respondent has claimed exemption from disclosing the information claiming that the appellant has no connection with the FIR and is therefore a third party. Not was the PIO's reply a misapplication of the RTI Act, but during deliberations at this hearing, it has emerged that the FIR pertains to burglary in the appellant's own daughter's house.

3. Following from the above, the respondent PIO is herewith directed to provide a fresh pointwise reply to the RTI application also giving the current status of FIR No. 106 within 10 days of the receipt of this order.

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

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Appeal Case No. 458 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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 12.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility. (The appellant will attend the hearing at DC Office, Ludhiana and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at DC office, Patiala).

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate,
S/o Late Sh. Deen Dayal,
Chamber No.362, Lawyers Chamber Complex,
Judicial Courts,
District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Deputy Superintendent of Police,
City-1, District Patiala.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Commissioner of Police, District Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 459 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Rakesh Kumar Gupta (Appellant) 98153-31570
ASI Satwant Singh (for the Respondent) 95699-95100

ORDER:

1. The RTI applications are dated **17.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding complaint bearing UID No. 1869414**, as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.10.20** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.21** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.9.2021**.
2. Both parties are present via Video Conference Facility. The respondent PIO, is directed to submit a written, pointwise reply to the RTI application along with the requested information from Point No. 1 to 3 of the RTI application. This must be done within 10 days from the receipt of this order.
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. **Next hearing on 12.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility. (The appellant will attend the hearing at DC Office, Ludhiana and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at DC office, Patiala).**

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Kesar Singh,
S/o Sh. Kapoor Singh,
74, Raghbir Marg,
Patiala-147001

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Committee,
Doraha, District Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies,
Municipal Corporation Office,
Near Mata Rani Chowk,
District Ludhiana-141001

Appeal Case No. 463 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Kesar Singh (Appellant) 94175-71967
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI applications are dated **9.4.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the dispatch register and receiving register from 1.3.2017 to 31.3.2018**, as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.9.20** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **13.1.21** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.9.2021**.
2. The respondent PIO is absent without any intimation. This Commission takes a very serious view of the PIO's conduct and deems it fit to serve him with this Show Cause Notice.
3. 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 willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **9.4.2020**.

“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision 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*.” Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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Appeal Case No. 463 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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 12.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility. (The appellant will attend the hearing at DC Office, Patiala and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at DC office, Ludhiana).**

Sd/-

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Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner, Urban Development, Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,

Block-B, Mini Secretariat,

District Patiala-147003

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,

Block-B, Mini Secretariat,

District Patiala-147003

Appeal Case No. 2755 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

ASI Hakam Singh (for the Respondent) 94643-92733

ORDER:

1. The RTI applications are dated **16.2.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding representation to SHO Civil Lines, Police Station, Patiala bearing UID No. 1898417,** as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.4.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.6.21** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.9.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Hakam Singh, stated that a reply along with requested information (duly certified) was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 1592 Dated 7.4.2021. The appellant is given a final opportunity to examine the same and list deficiency, if any.

3. **Next hearing on 12.1.2022 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility. (The appellant will attend the hearing at DC Office, Ludhiana and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at DC office, Patiala).**

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Harjot Singh Harikay (Advocate),
Chamber No.1011, District Court Complex,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust ,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 93 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harjot Singh Harikay (Appellant) 98150-00231
Yadwinder Singh, Accountant (for the Respondent) 79730-54756

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **9.4.2021 and 12.8.2021**)*

1. The RTI application is dated **13.8.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding his family land that was taken up by the 256 Acre Scheme – Maharishi Balmiki Nagar vide an Award dated 27.4.1981**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.9.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. This case was last heard on **12.8.2021**.

2. Both parties are present via Video Conference from Ludhiana. As directed at the last hearing, the respondent PIO, represented by Yadwinder Singh, Accountant, has submitted a covering letter along with an Index for the documents supplied to the appellant. The appellant has today pointed out that the information pertaining to Point No. 1 of his RTI application has still not be given. This pertains to file regarding Dayal Singh S/o Chanda Singh in the 256 Acre Scheme in Maharishi Balmiki Nagar Ludhiana, along with copy the Award Dated 27.4.1981. It is notable that the appellant did not refer to this at the last hearing on 12.8.2021.

3. The respondent PIO states that it would be difficult to locate particular file by name since files are maintained according to Plot Numbers. The respondent PIO has nonetheless agreed to search for the requested record and supply copies to the appellant under intimation to this Commission.

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

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Appeal Case No. 93 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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 17.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.
Public Information Officer,
o/o SHO, Police Station,
Salem Tabri, Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority
o/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 1127 of 2018 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Dr. Manjit Singh Komal (Appellant) 99145-14555
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 13.11.19, 15.1.2020, 14.2.2020, 17.9.2020, and 7.4.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **12.1.2018** vide which the appellant has sought **information pertaining to his complaint / letter which was emailed to the then Deputy Chief Minister in 13.2.2016. The appellant requested a copy of his letter; statements recorded in the matter(by police); and, a copy of the report prepared in the matter by ASI Sukhwinder Singh (then posted at Police Station Salem Tabri, Ludhiana)**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **12.2.18**, and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **27.3.18** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

2. The appellant is present via Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. The PIO was issued a Show Cause Notice vide this Commission's Order of 7.4.2021, wherein he/she was granted an opportunity to submit a written reply and be heard in person at this hearing. The PIO has failed to avail of the opportunity.

Order Reserved.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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