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Sh. Gagandeep Singh Threke, (Social RTI Activist),
H No 208, Aryan Enclave
Main Sua Road,
Near Geeta Mandir Chowk,
VPO Threke,
Ludhiana-142028. M : 9780400680

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer, (By name) **Registered**
O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate(West),
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

....Respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 457/2021
(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 12.10.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 16.11.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 12.1.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. A telephonic request has been received from the respondent- Sh. Kimti Lal that due to illness, it is not possible for him to appear and requested for the adjournment of the case. Accordingly, the appellant has been informed telephonically.

3. Also a letter dated 17.3.2021 has been received from the appellant in which it has been stated that nothing has been supplied by the respondents. Therefore, the respondent- Public Information Officer is directed to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing failing which the punitive action will be initiated as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

4. To come up on 6.5.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

Dated: 18.3.2021

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Chief Information Commissioner,
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Sh. Harnek Singh 9814500253
Village Gure,
Tehsil Jagraon, District Ludhiana

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Sidhwa Bet,
District Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer,
District Ludhiana

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3239 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Kashmir Singh on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Gursharan Singh, Patwari 8872459115 9815201724 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 8.2.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the inspection could not be held due to unforeseen situation of both the parties and requested that the next date of inspection may be fixed with which the appellant agreed to.

3. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application of the appellant and non compliance of the orders of the Commission, Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Public Information Officer o/o the Block Development and Panchayats Officer is thus issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a compensation to the appellant for detriment suffered by him under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005 may not be awarded.

4. In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before awarding the compensation on the next date of hearing. He may take a note that in case he does not file his written reply and do 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 will proceed ex-parte.

5. With the mutual understanding, the date of inspection has been fixed for 9.4.2021 and the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to ensure that the appellant be inspected the complete record pertaining to the RTI application of the appellant.

6. To come up on 28.4.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

Sd/

Dated: 18.3.2021

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Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Sh. Chinder Kaur 7973122252

Village Basti Kamrewala,

Tehsil Jalalabad,

Fazilka.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o V.D.O. Gram Panchayat,

Basti Kamre Wala

Tehsil Jalalabad,

Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority

o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer,

Fazilka

Public Information Officer

o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,

Jalalabad,

Fazilka.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3240 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Ms Chinder Kaur, appellant.

Sh. Harjinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary 7347255689 on behalf of the
respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 8.2.2021.

2. The appellant has sent a request through email dated 16.3.2021 vide which it has been requested for the adjournment of the case due to social engagements. She also informed that the respondent-Public Information Officer has supplied the incomplete information.

3. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Panchayat Secretary states that the record pertaining to January 2019 to May 2020 has not been handed over by the previous Panchayat Secretary Sh. Surjit Singh so he is unable to supply the information. He also states that he has already informed the Block Development and Panchayats Officer in this regard.

4. Since, the appellant has filed the RTI application to the Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Jalalabad. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application of the appellant Sh. Gurjinder Singh, 9855300174, Public Information Officer –cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer is thus issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a compensation to the appellant for detriment suffered by him under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005 may not be awarded.

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5. In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before awarding the compensation on the next date of hearing. He may take a note that in case he does not file his written reply and do 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 will proceed ex-parte. The respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer is also directed to place on record the action taken regarding the recovery of the official record. He is also directed to adopt the procedure to recover the official record from the previous Panchayat Secretary Sh. Surjit Singh and in case he is not handing over the official record then the appropriate action be taken as per Law before the next date of hearing.

6. A copy of the order is also **sent** to the Director, Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt., Pb. to look into the matter personally and ensure that the record be handed over to the present Panchayat Secretary to enable him to supply the information and a compliance report be sent to the Commission before the next date of hearing.

7. To come up 5.5.2021 at 12.30 PM on to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka/cisco webex.

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(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab

Dated: 18.3.2021

CC

Director, Rural Development and Panchayat, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Mohali

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Sh. Manjit Singh 9915865633

Ward No. 10, Namdev Marg,

Mansa 9915865633

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
o/o Chief Secretary, Punjab,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
o/o Chief Secretary, Punjab,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh.

Sh. Umesh Kalra 9041244161 **Registered**

Public Information Officer-cum-

E.G.T.O.

o/o the Director,

Employment Generations and Trainings

Punjab, Sector 17,

Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2767 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Manjit Singh, appellant.

Sh. Umesh Kalra, Public Information Officer in person 9041244161 on behalf
of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 2.3.2021.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided by the respondents so far. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer requested for the adjournment of the case and assured that the up to date status of the complaint of the appellant will be supplied as has been sought with a copy to the Commission. He has also filed the reply regarding show cause notice issued to him, which is taken on record.

3. According to the request of the respondent-Public Information Officer, the case is adjourned with the directions to file the reply/supply the information/up to date status of the complaint of the appellant before the next date of hearing. The issue regarding show cause notice issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer will be decided on the next date of hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 2767 of 2020

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4. To come up on 19.4.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Mansa (for the appellant) and at Chandigarh (for the respondents).

Sd/

Dated: 18.3.2021

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Sh. Suresh Kumar Sharma, 9855890233

New Sharma Furniture House,

Partap bazaar Cheatta,

District Amritsar.

..Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o sub Registrar-2,

Tehsil complex,

District Amritsar.

....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 433 of 2020

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Suresh Kumar, Complainant through cisco webex.

Sh. Pritpal Reader 9463392100, 9814354074 office of the Sub Registrar 2,
Amritsar on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 1.3.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the reply has already been sent to the complainant vide no. 54 dated 12.3.2021 with a copy to the Commission, which is taken on record. However, the complainant states that he has not received the same.

3. Since, the copy of the same is available in the case file, therefore, the same is **sent** along with this order to the appellant to file the rejoinder, if any, before the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.

4. To come up on 24.5.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar/cisco webex.

Sd/

Dated: 18.3.2021

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Village Majwind PO Kathunangal
Tehsil Majitha,
District Amritsar

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Tehsildar Majitha,
District Amritsar

First Appellate Authority
o/o Sub divisional magistrate,
Majitha, Amritsar

Sh. Ajay Kumar, **Registered**
Naib Tehsildar,
Taran Taran
M – 9592981111

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3953 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Avtar Singh, Advocate on behalf of the appellant Sh. Jagsir Singh.
Sh. Balwinder Singh, Patwari, 9501287717 9872187800 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.2.2021.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided by the respondents so far. However, a letter bearing No. 39 dated 17.3.2021 and No. 28 dated 12.2.2020 and No. 20 dated 5.2.2021 have been received from the respondent-Public Information Officer, which are taken on record. Also the representative of the respondents reiterated the same.

3. Accordingly, the copies of the letters received from the respondent-Public Information Officer are **sent** along with this order to the appellant with an advice to go through the same and point out deficiency, if any, before the next date of hearing.

4. It is also a fact that the official record is not available concerning the Point No. 2,4, 7,8 and 10 of the RTI application. So the copy of the RTI application along with the submissions made by the respondent Tehsildar Majitha is **sent** along with this order to the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar to look into the matter personally.

4. To come up on 5.5.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar/cisco webex.

Dated: 18.3.2021

SD/
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Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

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Deputy Commissioner (By name)
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