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**Sh. Tejinder Singh (9041004313)** 

(Regd. Post) Advocate Civil Court,

Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender,

Phillaur 144410

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

(Regd. Post) O/o Member Secy,

State Transport Punjab, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

(Regd. Post) O/o Deputy State Transport Commission,

Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No.: 1013 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

(i) Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant in person.

(ii) Ms. Kulwinder Kaur, PIO on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Dated: 19.4.2022

Present:

 This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 2.3.2022 vide which nobody had joined meeting from the office of Respondent PIO, Member Secretary, STC, Punjab, Chandigarh. Appellant pointed out that Ms. Kulwinder Kaur is not the PIO from the office of Member Secy., STC, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Ms. Kulwinder Kaur states that requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant and appellant was advised to go through the supplied information and point out deficiency if any. Respondent PIO was directed to remove the deficiency within one week once he had received letter regarding deficiency.

A copy of previous order was sent to the respondent PIO and FAA to go through the previous orders of the Commission dated 22.06.2021 and 18.08.2021 to file a reply regarding Memo No. PSIC/Legal/2020/253 dated 06.07.2020 in writing by the next date of hearing and case was adjourned to 19.4.2022 i.e. today.

- 2. In today's hearing, the appellant states that sufficient time has elapsed but the information from the respondent department is awaited. He pleads the court for suitable directions so that the information may be supplied to him.
- 3. The respondent PIO, Ms. Kulwinder Kaur states that all the reply/information as per RTI application has already been given.
- 4. On this, appellant expresses his dissatisfaction and states that he has filed RTI application to the respondent PIO, O/o member Secy., STC, Punjab, Chandigarh as he explained vide hearings of this case on 22.06.2021, 18.08.2021 and 02.03.2022.
- 5. It is observed that nobody appears from the office of Member Secy., STC, Punjab, Chandigarh for today's hearing.
- 6. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to file a reply as she was directed vide orders of the Commission dated 02.03.2022 regarding Memo No. PSIC/Legal/2020/253 dated 06.07.2020 before the next date of hearing. She is also directed to appear in person along with the concerned authority from the office of Member Secy., STC, Punjab, Chandigarh on the next date of hearing positively.
- 7. To come up on **24.5.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
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Appellant

**Show-Cause** 

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority,

Sangrur

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/Secy. Regional Transport Authority,

Sangrur

Appeal Case No.: 404 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

Versus

Present: (i) Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate Appellant

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Ravinder Sharma, PIO - on behalf of the respondent.

Order:

- 1. This order may be read with the reference of previous order dated 02.09.2021 vide which Sh. Karanbir Singh Cheena, respondent PIO was directed to supply the requisite information within one week and the matter was adjourned for further hearing to 09.03.2022 which was not heard and fixed for 19.4.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing, appellant Sh. Tejinder Singh is present and states that demanded information is still pending as sufficient time has gone in vain. He also pleads for penalty on the respondent department.
- 3. Respondent, Sh. Ravinder Sharma, PIO states that earlier PIO, Sh. Karanbir Singh Cheena was transferred in November 2021. He requests for an adjournment.

After hearing the respondent, the Commission while taking a serious view that ample time approximately more than 07 months has elapsed but respondent PIO did not bother to pay the heed towards the Orders of the Commission. He is directed to supply the information within 7 days to the appellant under intimation to the Commission from today itself.

4. In view of the foregoing, <u>respondent PIO, O/o Secretary, RTA, Sangrur</u> is directed to <u>show cause</u> in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

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In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section

20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next

date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission 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.

5. With aforesaid directions, matter is adjourned for further hearing on 24.5.2022 at 11:00 A.M.

through CISCO WEBEX application. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 19.4.2022

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Respondent

Sh. Prem Kumar (9815591032)

# 261/W-11, Kartar Niwas, Gurdaspur Road, Tehsil Batala, Distt. Gurdaspur

Versus

(i) Public Information Officer

O/o Secy, Finance, Department of Finance Expenditure Branch-3, Pb., Punjab Civil Sectt., Chandigarh

(ii) Public Information Officer

O/o Rural Dev. & Panchayat Pb., Mohali

Encl. RTI application

Complaint Case No.: 395 of 2020 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Sh. Prem Kumar - complainant.

(ii) For the respondent: Ms. Harpreet Kaur, (SA) (9888699395)

Order:

Dated: 19.4.2022

- 1. This order may be read with the reference of previous order dated 2.9.2021 vide which respondent, Sh. Sarvhitkar Singh intimated the Commission that information with regard to point no. 1 will be supplied after its receipt from the concerned department i.e. Rural Dev & Panchayat Punjab, Mohali. Respondent PIO was directed either to supply the pending information in connection with point no. 1 to the appellant or file an affidavit in this regard as per orders of the Commission dated26.05.2021. The matter was adjourned for further hearing on 09.03.2022 which was not heard and fixed for 19.4.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing, respondent, Ms. Harpreet Kaur, S.A. states that the information with regard to the Finance Department has already been supplied and the information with regard to Rural Development & Panchayat is still awaited. She states that information from the Rural Development & Panchayat (Point No.1) shall be supplied on its receipt to the complainant under intimation to the Commission.
- 3. Complainant pleads the court that suitable directions be issued to the respondent to supply the pending information (point no. 1).
- 4. After hearing the respondent and examining the case file, I am of the considered view that PIO, O/o, Rural Dev. & Panchayat Pb., Mohali be implead as a necessary party in this case. A copy of this order along with RTI application be sent to him through registered post for his ready reference.
- With aforesaid directions, matter is adjourned for further hearing on 06.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Sh. Rajinder Kumar (9646380671)

S/o Sh. Mehar Chand, W,No. 2, Supreme Enclave, Near VishwkarmaBhawan, Link Road, Mansa

Vs

Sh. Tarun Kumar (Public Information Officer)

(Regd. Post) O/o EO, Nagar Council, Mansa

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Deputy Director, Local Govt. Bathinda

Appeal Case No.: 700 of 2021
Through CISCO WEBEX

**Present:** (i) Sh. Rajinder Kumar, the appellant.

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Baljinder Singh (JA)

<u>ORDER</u>

Dated: 19.4.2022

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 2.3.2022 the respondent stated the information was ready with the department and would be supplied within 2-3 days. The court showed its displeasure that the respondent department had not complied with the earlier orders dated: 18.8.2021 where directions were made to supply the information within 15 days but he failed to do so. A last and final opportunity was granted to both the parties to represent this case on the next date of hearing, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 19.4.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing, respondent, Sh. Baljinder Singh states that requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant but appellant expresses his dissatisfaction stating that incomplete information is supplied to him. He adds that deficiencies have already been pointed out to the respondent PIO on 10.9.2021 but till date, deficiency has not been removed.
- 3. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO, Sh. Tarun Kumar to appear in person on the next date of hearing positively at Punjab State Information Office, Chandigarh along with relevant record in connection with RTI application on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.
- 4. Appellant is on liberty to attend hearing either at PSIC Office, Chandigarh or through CISCO WEBEX (Meeting no. 1582933632).
- Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 05.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
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Appellant

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Sh. H.S.Hundal, Advocate (9878500082) # 203, Judicial Courts,

Mohali 160071.

Versus

**Public Information Officer** O/o Regional Transport Authority, Mohali

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Transport Authority, Mohali

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2709 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

**Present:** None present.

#### **ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 3.3.2022 vide which a copy of the submitted information (vide letter no. 4089 dated 25.03.2021) was sent to the appellant along with advice to go through the supplied information and point out deficiency, if any, within seven days from issuance of order.

Respondent PIO was directed to remove the deficiency, within seven days after receipt letter regarding deficiency from the appellant. The case was adjourned to 19.4.2022.

- In today's hearing, appellant is not present but an email dated 18.04.2022 is received regarding
  his exemption from today's hearing. In that email he also intimates the Commission that PIO
  requested for record inspection through telephone call dated 18.04.2022. This email is taken on
  record.
- 3. Respondent PIO is absent despite being aware about the date of hearing.
- 4. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 5. To come up on **05.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 19.4.2022 (Anumit Singh Sodhi)
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Versus

Sh. Tirath Singh (Public Information Officer)

(Regd. Post) O/o Regional Transport Authority, Patiala

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o Regional Transport Authority, Patiala

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2710 of 2021 Heard through CISCO WEBEX

Present:

(i) Appellant – Absent.

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Harjit Singh, Clerk (7009535403)

#### <u>ORDER</u>

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 3.3.2022 vide which appellant was
not present but an email dated 26.02.2022 was received from the appellant regarding exemption
from hearing. In that email he also mentioned that PIO has not provided any information since filing
of information.

Respondent PIO was not present but respondent, Sh. Sham Lal (PIO, M: 9914223294) intimated the Commission telephonically that requisite information is voluminous which cannot be created as per RTI Act, 2005 Section 7 (9) and reply has already been sent to the appellant.

Both the parties were advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided on merit basis. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 19.04.2022 i.e. today.

- In today's hearing, appellant is not present but an email dated 18.04.2022 is received regarding
  his exemption from today's hearing. In that email he also intimates the Commission that PIO
  requested for record inspection through telephone call dated 18.04.2022. This email is taken on
  record.
- The respondent Sh. Harjit Singh, clerk appearing on behalf of the department confirms that the appellant has already been requested for physical inspection of the record, which the appellant has accepted.
- 4. In view of the above, the appellant is advised to <u>visit the respondent's office on 19.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M.</u> and respondent PIO is directed directions to make sure relevant record ready which be got inspected by the appellant on the fixed date & time for inspection. The respondent department is directed to supply the identified information as per RTI application to the appellant without wasting further time under intimation to the Commission.

### Appeal Case No.: 2710 of 2021 Heard through CISCO WEBEX

5. To come up on **05.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 19.4.2022 (Anumit Singh Sodhi)
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Sh. Sandip Pathak (9569700007)

Chamber 806, Lawyers Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, District Courts, Bathinda

Vs

**Public Information Officer** 

Dated: 19.4.2022

O/o SSP, Bathinda

Respondent

Appellant

Complaint Case No.: 148 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Sh. Sandip Pathak, complainant.

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Sanjeev Singla (DSP)

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with previous orders dated: 8.9.2021 vide which both the parties were present. Complainant requested for an adjournment on the plea that he has asked for RTI application to be supplied, as the concerned file in this case is not traceable. Copy of previous order along with copy of RTI application was sent to the complainant through registered post and matter was adjourned for further hearing on 09.03.2022 which was further adjourned for today i.e. 19.04.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present and complainant states that incomplete information has been supplied to him.
- 3. Respondent, Sh. Sanjiv Singla states that information in connection with point no. 1, 2 and 6 has already been supplied to the appellant. He adds that information in connection with point no. 3, 4 and 5 is not available in the demanded format and creation is exempted as per RTI Act. He also denied partial information (point no. 3, 4 and 5) as per decisions of the then Hon'ble, Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab, Sh. S.S. Channy in appeal case no. 2906/2017 dated 11.01.2018 and Central Information Commission's decision in 236/IC(A)/2006.
- 4. After hearing the complainant and examining the case file, it is advised to both the parties to fix a date for inspection mutually. The respondent is advised to be present on the given date & time for presentation of record. The identified information may be supplied to the complainant under intimation to the Commission as per RTI application.
- 5. Both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative (s) on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 6. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on 06.09.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex. (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Ved Parkash Bablu(9356030161)

D-112, Street No.4, InderpuriKotKhalsa, Amritsar.

Versus

Complainant

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o DEO (SE), Amritsar

Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 87 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present:

None present.

#### **ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 5.10.2021 vide which complainant intimated the Commission that information from 01.05.2020 to 16.08.2020 as per directions of the Commission dated 04.05.2021 and 08.07.2021 has not been supplied to him. Respondent PIO was absent and a Show Cause notice was issued to him. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 09.03.2022 which was not heard and fixed for today i.e. 19.04.2022.

- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent despite being aware about the date of hearing.
- 3. A final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to comply with the previous orders of the Commission dated 04.05.2021, 08.07.2021 and 05.10.2021 along with directions to appear in person at Punjab State Information Commission Office, Chandigarh.
- 4. A final opportunity is also awarded to Complainant to represent this case on the next date of hearing, failing which case will be closed.
- 5. To come up on **07.09.2022** at **11:00 A.M.** through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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Versus

Complainant

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Sub Registrar Tehsil Complex, Amritsar-1

Dated: 19.4.2022

Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 88 of 2021
Through CISCO WEBEX

Present:

None present.

#### **ORDER**

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 5.10.2021 vide which respondent, Sh. Paras Dhawan requested for an adjournment. Respondent PIO was directed to appear in person on the next of hearing since the earlier PIO had retired. The case was adjourned to 9.3.2022 which was not heard and adjourned to 19.4.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing, both the parties are absent.
- 3. After examining the case file, it is observed that a copy of previous order dated 05.10.2021 which was sent to the respondent PIO by name returned to the Commission with remarks ' refused by sub-reg-1 or 2 dated 08.11.2021'
- 4. Another opportunity is awarded to both the parties to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 5. To come up on **07.09.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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Appellant

**Sh. Sandip Pathak( 956970007)** 

Chamber 806, Lawyers Chambers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, District Courts, Bathinda

Vs.

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o SSP, Bathinda

Dated: 19.4.2022

Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 147 of 2021
Through CISCO WEBEX

**Present:** (i) Sh. Sandip Pathak, complainant.

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Sanjeev Singla (DSP)

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with previous orders dated: 8.9.2021 vide which both the parties were present. Complainant requested for an adjournment on the plea that he has asked for RTI application to be supplied, as the concerned file in this case is not traceable. Copy of previous order along with copy of RTI application was sent to the complainant through registered post and matter was adjourned for further hearing on 09.03.2022 which was not heard and fixed for today i.e. 19.04.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present and complainant states that incomplete information has been supplied to him.
- 3. Respondent, Sh. Sanjiv Singla explained the case as he explained on the earlier hearing held on 08.09.2021. He adds that partial information could not be supplied as it is not specific and clear (point no. 2 and 5) which is exempted as per the decision of the Central Information Commission's decision in 236/IC(A)/2006.
- 4. After hearing the complainant and examining the case file, it is advised to both the parties to fix a date for inspection mutually. The respondent is advised to be present on the given date & time for presentation of record. The identified information may be supplied to the complainant under intimation to the Commission as per RTI application.
- 5. Both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative (s) on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 6. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on 06.09.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex. (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Bathinda

Vs

**Public Information Officer** 

Dated: 19.4.2022

O/o SSP, Bathinda

Respondent

Appellant

Complaint Case No.: 149 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

**Present:** (i) Sh. Sandip Pathak, complainant.

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Sanjeev Singla (DSP)

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with previous orders dated: 8.9.2021 vide which both the parties were present. Complainant requested for an adjournment on the plea that he has asked for RTI application to be supplied, as the concerned file in this case is not traceable. Copy of previous order along with copy of RTI application was sent to the complainant through registered post and matter was adjourned for further hearing on 09.03.2022 which was not heard and fixed for today i.e. 19.04.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present and complainant requests for supply of complete information.
- 3. The respondent, Sh. Sanjiv Singla states that reply has already been sent to the complainant.
- 4. In view of the above, the court advises to respondent PIO to supply the information for 6 months specified by the complainant, within 10 days under intimation to the Commission.
- 5. The complainant is also advised to go through the information and point out deficiency, if any under intimation to the Commission as per RTI application.
- 6. Both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative (s) on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 7. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on 06.09.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex. (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Smt. Kamaldeep Kaur, (9872139640)

D/o Sh. Pritpal Singh, VPO Gumtala, Opp. Govt Dispensary, Ward No 5, Amritsar.

Appellant

Versus

Sh. Dharminderjeet Singh (Public Information Officer)

(Regd. Post) O/o MC, Amritsar.

Sh. Sushant Bhatia (Public Information Officer)

(Regd. Post) O/o Land Department,

MC, Amritsar.

Sh. Narinder Sharma (Public Information Officer)

(Regd. Post) O/o MTP,

MC, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o Addl. Commissioner,

MC, Amritsar. Respondent

Appeal Case No.:242 of 2020 Heard through CISCO WEBEX

**Present:** (i) Smt. Kamaldeep Kaur, the appellant in person.

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Dharminderjeet Singh (EO) (9646004303) along with Sh. Varinder

Mohan (ATP) (987807336)

#### **ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 19.10.2021 vide which appellant stated that the information is still pending and compensation cheque amounting Rs. 3,000/- is also not supplied as per the directions of the Commission.

Respondent, Ms. Krishna kumari accepts that the department has sent a letter through speed post along with a cheque of Rs. 3,000/- from the individual's account instead of public authority's account.

It was observed that respondent; Ms. Krishna Kumari was not able to give satisfactory reply. The Commission took this irresponsible behavior seriously and directed the First Appellate Authority not to depute the officials who are not serious about the court hearings. The authorities are also advised to depute the officials presenting the cases, before the court ensuring to come with sufficient home work on the case files. The replies given by the respondent are not satisfactory. In this way the respondent wasted precious time and resources of the Commission as well as of the appellant.

One final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to comply with the previous order of the Commission dated 19.08.2021 within ten days after receipt of this order, which was sent to the PIO and FAA through registered post (which is also available on the official website www.infocommpunjab.com ), failing which penal consequences shall be followed.

A copy of previous order was also sent to the Addl. Commissioner, MC, Amritsar by name through registered post for the compliance of the order. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 09.03.2022 which was not heard and fixed for 19.04.2022.

#### Appeal Case No.:242 of 2020 Heard through CISCO WEBEX

- 2. In today's hearing, appellant states that in spite of orders of the Hon'ble Commission time and again, the department has neither given information nor cheque from the public authority's account as compensation was awarded to her amounting Rs. 3,000/-. The earlier cheque was issued from the personal account not from the public authority's account, which she did not accept.
- 3. In view of version of the appellant for not compliance of the order of the Commission, the respondent department is once again directed to supply the information and compensation cheque from the public authority's account as per previous orders of the Commission dated 16.12.2020 passed by the then Ld. SIC, Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla.
- 4. The Commission observes that an ample time has already been awarded to the respondents to comply with the previous orders of the Commission passed in the above mentioned case on the hearings held on09.03.2020, 09.06.2020, 30.07.2020, 31.08.2020, 20.10.2020, 16.12.2020, 07.04.2021, 19.05.2021, 18.08.2021, 19.10.2021.
- 5. The lenient and irresponsible behavior of the concerned respondent PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO is directed to file a written submission and appear in person on the next date of hearing at Punjab State Information Commission Office, Chandigarh on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences and warrants shall follow.

<u>Compensation amounting Rs. 3,000/- which was awarded to the appellant vide order</u> dated 16.12.2020 is enhanced to Rs. 5,000/-.

- 6. A copy of this order be also sent to the Commissioner, MC, Amritsar to ensure compliance of the order before the next date of hearing.
- 7. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on 06.09.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex. (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Regd. Post)

Dated: 19.04.2022

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**Smt. Kamaldeep Kaur, (9872139640)** 

D/o Sh. Pritpal Singh, VPO Gumtala, Opp. Govt Dispensary, Ward no. 5, Amritsar.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer (By Name)** 

(Regd. Post) O/o Commissioner, MC,

Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority O/o Commissioner, MC,

Amritsar Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 411 of 2020 Heard through CISCO WEBEX

**Present:** (i) Smt. Kamaldeep Kaur, the appellant in person.

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Angad Singh (BI) (9878271547)

#### **ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 19.10.2021 vide which appellant stated that the information is still pending and compensation cheque amounting Rs. 1,500/- is also not supplied as per the directions of the Commission.

Respondent, Ms. Krishna kumari accepts that the department has sent a letter through speed post along with a cheque of Rs. 1,500/- from the individual's account instead of public authority's account.

It was observed that respondent; Ms. Krishna Kumari was not able to give satisfactory reply. The Commission took this irresponsible behavior seriously and directed the First Appellate Authority not to depute the officials who are not serious about the court hearings. The authorities are also advised to depute the officials presenting the cases, before the court ensuring to come with sufficient home work on the case files. The replies given by the respondent are not satisfactory. In this way the respondent wasted precious time and resources of the Commission as well as of the appellant.

One final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to comply with the previous order of the Commission dated 19.08.2021 within ten days after receipt of this order, which was sent to the PIO and FAA through registered post (which is also available on the official website www.infocommpunjab.com ), failing which penal consequences shall be followed.

A copy of previous order was also sent to the Addl. Commissioner, MC, Amritsar by name through registered post for the compliance of the order. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 09.03.2022 which was not heard and fixed for 19.04.2022.

- In today's hearing, appellant states that in spite of orders of the Hon'ble Commission time and again, the department has neither given information nor cheque from the public authority's account as compensation was awarded to her amounting Rs. 1,500/-. The earlier cheque was issued from the personal account not from the public authority's account, which she did not accept.
- 3. In view of version of the appellant for not compliance of the order of the Commission, the respondent department is once again directed to supply the information and compensation cheque from the public authority's account as per previous orders of the Commission dated 16.12.2020 passed by the then Ld. SIC, Dr. Pawan Kumar Singla.

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- 4. Respondent, Sh. Angad Singh is present for today's hearing requests for an adjournment to comply with the previous orders of the Commission.
- 5. The Commission observes that an ample time has already been awarded to the respondents to comply with the previous orders of the Commission passed in the above mentioned case on the hearings held on09.03.2020, 09.06.2020, 30.07.2020, 31.08.2020, 20.10.2020, 16.12.2020, 07.04.2021, 19.05.2021, 18.08.2021, 19.10.2021.
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Sh. Tara Singh (9877230616)

S/o late Sh. Bhagwan Singh, R/o H.No.908, Phae-9, Mohali 160062.

Versus

**Public Information Officer** O/o G.M.Pb. Roadways, Roopnagar

First Appellate Authority O/o Director, State Transport Pb, Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 3050 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present:

(i) Appellant, Sh. Gurpreet Singh (Son of the Appellant).

(ii) For the respondent: Absent.

Order:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.11.2021 vide which appellant was advised to go through the supplied information and point out specific deficiency in writing to the respondent PIO after receipt of the previous order. Respondent PIO was directed to remove deficiency if any pointed out by the appellant within ten days after receipt of letter regarding deficiency from the appellant. The case was adjourned to 9.3.2022 which was not heard and further adjourned to 19.4.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing, representative of the appellant, Sh. Gurpreet Singh states that there are discrepancies in the supplied information. He adds that the respondent has revealed that this is an old record which has been weeded out and requests to supply the copy of order through which record has been weeded out.
- 3. Respondent PIO is not present for today's hearing.
- 4. After examining the case file, it is observed that respondent PIO sent a reply vide letter no. 6783 dated 09.10.2021 to the appellant which is as under:

ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਮਿਤੀ 30/09/2021 ਨੂੰ ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਸਟੇਟ ਇੰਫਾਰਮੈਸ਼ਨ ਕਮਿਸ਼ਨ ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਜੀ ਵਲੋਂ ਹੋਏ ਆਦੇਸ਼ਾਂ ਦੀ ਪਾਲਣਾ ਵਿਚ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਤਾਰਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਰਿਟਾਇਰਡ ਡਰਾਇਵਰ ਨੰ: 63 ਦੀ ਆਰ.ਟੀ.ਆਂਈ. ਅਧੀਨ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਦਸਤੀ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਗੁਰਪ੍ਰੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁੱਤਰ ਸ੍ਰੀ ਤਾਰਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਹੇਠ ਲਿਖੇ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ ।

ਲੜੀਨੰ	ਮੰਗਿਆ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ	ਦਿੱਤਾ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ
1	ਮੇਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਤੀ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਮਿਤੀ 07–07–202। ਤੇ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਦੀ ਨੌਟਿੰਗ ਦੀ ਤਸੀਦਸੂਦਾ ਕਾਪੀ	ਕਾਪੀ ਨਾਲ ਨੱਥੀ ਹੈ ਜੀ।
2	ਸਾਲ 01-04-2003 ਤੋਂ 31-12-2003 ਤੱਕ ਮੇਰੇ ਵਲੋਂ ਲਗਾਏ ਉਵਰ ਟਾਇਮ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ(ਕੈਲਕੁਲੇਸ਼ਨ ਸੀਟਸ)	ਤੱਕ ਦਾ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਸੀਉਕ ਲੱਗਣ ਕਾਰਨ ਖਤਮ ਹੋ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ।ਇਸ ਕਰਕੇ ਇਹ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਇਸ ਸੇਵਾ ਵਿਚ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ।
3	ਆਪ ਦੇ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੀ ਨੋਟਿੰਗ ਮਿਤੀ 21–01–2008 ਵਿੱਚ ਵੀਡ ਆਊਟ ਕੀਤੇ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਦੀਆਂ ਲਿਸਟਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਤਸਦੀਕਸੁਦਾ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ।	ਪੰਨਾਂ 0। ਤੋਂ 14 ਤੱਕ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਦੀ ਤਸਦੀਕਸੁਦਾ ਕਾਪੀ ਨਾਲ ਨੱਥੀ ਹੈ ਜੀ ।ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਵਲੋਂ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਵੀਡ ਆਊਟ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਸੂਚੀ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਵਿਚ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ ।

5. In view of above, respondent PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing at Punjab State Information Commission Office, Chandigarh positively along with point wise reply as per RTI application on an affidavit in original duly attested by the competent authority.

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- 6. Appellant is also advised to represent this case in person or through his representative(s), who is well aware about the case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which appropriate orders will be passed in his absence. He is on liberty to attend hearing either through CISCO WEBEX (Meeting Number 1582933632) or at Commission's office.
- 7. With aforesaid directions, matter is adjourned for further hearing on <u>25.05.2022</u> at 11:00 A.M. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 19.4.2022 (Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab