



Sh Navtej Singh,
F-9/1934, Shashtri Nagar,
Majitha Road, Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

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

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

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1247 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Navtej Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Jaswant Singh, Sr. Assistant for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 25.11.2020 has sought information regarding a copy of the complaint against Jatinder Singh Food Safety Officer having letter number 6829 dated 04.11.2020 along with the status of above the complaint and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Civil Surgeon Moga. The appellant was denied the information by the PIO vide letter dated 23.12.2020 stating that the information is not in the public interest and it cannot be provided under section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 12.01.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant informed that the PIO has denied the information stating that the information relates to 3rd party and is not in the public interest. The appellant further informed that the first appellate authority had called him for a hearing on 09.02.2021 but on reaching their office on the given date and time, the first appellate authority was not present and the Assistant Civil Surgeon who was present assured to provide the information. However, the information has still not been provided.

As per the facts on the file, the Commission observes that the PIO has denied the information in an arbitrary manner because in the reply to the appellant the PIO has denied the information on the ground that it can not be provided since it was third party information, which falls under section 11 of the RTI act, but has invoked section 8 1(j) to deny the information.

Sh. Jatinder Singh, Food Safety Officer, about whom the information has been sought is impleaded in the case and directed to appear before the Commission on the next date for further pursuance of the case.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **16.11.2021 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar. The PIO to appear through VC at DAC Moga.

Chandigarh
Dated : 19.07.2021

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Sh Ram Murti, S/o Sh Jaswant Rai,
Sandhu Colony, Jalandhar Road,
Mehta Chowk, Tehsil Baba Bakala Sahib,
Distt Amritsar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SSP, (Rural),
Besides Guru Ram Dass Dental College,
Mall Mandi, Near 9 Battalion,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o IGP,
Border Zone, Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1188 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Harpal Singh, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 29.10.2020 has sought information regarding action taken on the application dated 29.09.2020 filed in Police Station Mehta Amritsar(Rural) and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SSP Amritsar (Rural). The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 28.12.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant is absent and vide letter received in the Commission on 22.06.2021 has sought exemption.

Having gone through the file, the Commission observed that there is nothing on the file that establishes that the RTI application was replied to.

The PIO is directed to provide whatever action has been taken on the application dated 29.09.2020 along with complete noting/correspondence and send a compliance report to the Commission. The information be provided within 15 days otherwise the commission will be constrained to initiate action against the PIO u/s 20 of the RTI Act.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **16.11.2021** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

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Smt Aruna Sachdeva,
245, Sector-37-A,
Chandigarh.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner of Police,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner of Police,
Amritsar.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1143 of 2021

PRESENT: Smt.Aruna Sachdeva as the Appellant
Sh.Surinder Singh, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 14.11.2020 has sought information regarding the date of joining (in district cadre police) of Head Constables Jagga Singh and Surjit Singh- their date of promotion as head constables – NOC issued by the previous office before joining district cadre police and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of DCP Amritsar. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO dated 18.11.2020 after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 08.12.2020 which took no decision on the appeal. After filing an appeal, the PIO again sent a reply vide letter dated 13.01.2021 stating that the information is personal information and it exempt u/s 8(1)(j).

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

The respondent present pleaded that since the information sought by the appellant is personal information and exempt u/s 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act. and that the reply has been sent again to the appellant vide letter dated 13.01.2021.

Having gone through the record and hearing both the parties, the Commission observes that the information sought in points 1 & 2 i.e the date of joining and date of promotion of the two Head Constables, does not fall in the exempt category of the RTI Act and is clearly public information. It is a common practice for newspapers to publish promotions of officers, passing out parades where new recruits join the police, paramilitary or military services, etc. In fact, the passing out parade in the NDA and the IMA is a matter of great pride and publicity. It is when officers are commissioned into various arms and services of the army.

Hence I do not see points 1& 2 as personal information, thus the PIO is directed to provide the information on points-1 & 2 immediately.

The decision on point-3 will be taken at the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **16.11.2021** at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar. The appellant to appear at Chandigarh.

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Sh Baljinder Singh, S/o Sh Gian Singh,
Village Surghuri, Tehsil Jaito,
Distt Faridkot.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, MC,
Jaito, Distt Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Local Govt, Ferozepur.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1201 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Lajpat Rai for the Appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 28.07.2020 has sought information on 6 points regarding details of employees recruited in the years 2009, 2013 & 2010 along with publication notices in the newspaper, appointment letters & salary released from 01.01.2019 to 28.07.2020 – the record of plot in the name of Mukhtiar Singh allotted in 2009 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of EO MC Jaito. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 12.11.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. As per the appellant, the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent is absent. The notice issued by the Commission has been returned with the remarks 'refused due to strike'.

A fresh notice is being sent to the PIO along with the order. The PIO is directed to look at the RTI application and provide whatever information is available on the record to the appellant.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **15.11.2021 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

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O/o EO, MC,
Jaito, Distt Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Local Govt, Ferozepur.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1200 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Lajpat Rai for the Appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 28.07.2020 has sought a copy of the attendance register of Ramesh Kumar and Suresh Kumar from March 2011 to 31.07.2020 along with the action taken against them after the decision of the court dated 26.08.2019 as per Fir No.21 dated 21.03.2011 – a copy of recruitment of Ruchi Bala on the compassionate ground - Promotion of Munshi Ram sweeper and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of EO-MC Jaito. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 12.11.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. As per the appellant, the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent is absent. The notice issued by the Commission has been returned with the remarks 'refused due to strike'.

A fresh notice is being sent to the PIO along with the order.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **15.11.2021 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

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H No-B-3/287, Romana Street,
Jaito, Distt Faridkot.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, MC,
Kotakpura.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies,
Ferozepur Cantt.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1191 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Lajpat Rai as the Appellant
Mrs.Sunita Rani, Jr. Assistant for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 21.03.2020 has sought information on 7 points regarding proceeding book from 01.09.2019 including forwarding letter sent to director local govt., file of JCB Machine, Biredeshon machine, Hazard waste machine, stock register – an estimate of sanitation branch for purchase of Rehries of Rs.9.00 lacs including the name of in charge of sanitation with joining report - and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of EO-MC Kapurthala. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 24.12.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

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

The respondent present pleaded that since the information sought by the appellant is voluminous, the appellant be asked to inspect the record and get the relevant information. The respondent further informed that the RTI application is also not legible.

Hearing both the parties, the appellant is directed to send a legible application that is typed to the PIO, with a copy to the Commission. The PIO is directed to go through the RTI application and provide all information that is easily accessible and which is permissible under the RTI Act. The PIO is directed to reply to each point of the RTI application separately.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **15.11.2021 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

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Jaitu, Distt Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies,
Ferozepur Cantt.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1190 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Lajpat Rai as the Appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 27.06.2020 has sought information on 11 points regarding Tax Bill TS-1 register No.36(2012) 1 to 40, 90 to 100 (book No.19-2019) 1 to 30, 85 to 100 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of EO-MC Jaitu. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 11.01.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. As per the appellant, the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent is absent. The notice issued by the Commission has been returned with the remarks 'refused due to strike'.

A fresh notice is being sent to the PIO along with the order. The PIO is directed to look at the RTI application and provide whatever information is available on the record to the appellant.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **15.11.2021 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

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Jaitu, Distt Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies,
Ferozepur Cantt.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1189 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Lajpat Rai as the Appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 27.06.2020 has sought information on 08 points regarding letters No.9966, 17.5.2018, 20519/25.11.2019 received from DDLG Feerozepur relating to meeting and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of EO-MC Jaitu. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 11.01.2021 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. As per the appellant, the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent is absent. The notice issued by the Commission has been returned with the remarks 'refused due to strike'.

A fresh notice is being sent to the PIO along with the order. The PIO is directed to look at the RTI application and provide whatever information is available on the record to the appellant.

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