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Sh Raju Ambedkar,
#311, Lotus Tower,
Near BMC Chowk,
Jalandhar

.... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Punjab State Commission For Scheduled Castes,
4th Floor, Room No.8,
Pb Civil Sectt, Chandigarh.
First Appellate Authority-cum-
Chairman,
Punjab State Commission for
Scheduled Castes,
4th Floor, Room No.8,
Pb Civil Sectt, Chandigarh

.... Respondent

AC No. 2216 of 2018

Present: (i) Sh. Raju Ambedkar the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Smt. Jaswinder Kaur, Clerk

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.10.2018 vide which a show cause notice was issued to the respondent – PIO.

2. Today Smt, Jaswinder Kaur states that the PIO is unable to attend the hearing.
3. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
4. After hearing the respondent, it is observed no information has been given to the appellant so far. During the last hearing, a show cause notice was issued to the respondent, but today the respondent-PIO is not present. It is observed that the respondents are being represented by very low level officials who are not in a position to satisfy the commission and the appellant. From the next date of hearing, no person below the PIO or APIO will be allowed to appear. Appearance of low level officials will amount to disrespect to the RTI Act besides invoking the provisions of imposition of penalty and also award of compensation to the appellant and also recommendation of disciplinary action against the PIO under Section 20 of RTI Act, 2005.

Appeal Case No. 2216 of 2018

4. The perusal of the file shows that the appellant has filed RTI on 07.04.2018, but no information has been provided to him by the respondents, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission.
5. This has resulted in much avoidable inconvenience and hardship to the Appellant. He is, therefore, entitled to be compensated under Section 19(8)(b) of RTI Act 2005 for the loss and detriment suffered by him. In the circumstances, I am of the view that ends of justice would be met if a sum of **Rs.2000/- (Rupees Two thousand Only)** is awarded to the Appellant as compensation. I order accordingly.
6. This amount shall be payable by the Respondent from the State exchequer within fifteen days from the receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission.
7. Last opportunity is given to Sh. Suresh Masih, to appear before the Commission and state his case failing which action under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated.
8. To come up on **05.12.2018 at 11.00 AM**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2018

Sd/-
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Sh.Sunil Kumar Bhoriwal
1564, Phase 5, Mohali

..... Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Punjab Health System corporation
Phase 6, Mohali

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Punjab Health System corporation
Phase 6, Mohali

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2443 of 2018

Present: (i) Sh. Sunil K Bhoriwal the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Smt. Shaina chhabra, Data Manager and Smt.
Puja Gupta, Assistant Manager

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.10.2018.

2. Smt.Shaina Chhabra files reply that the insurance company is responsible for the processing, settlement and rejection of the claim under PGEPHIS policy.

3. Respondent Smt. Puja Gupta from insurance company files reply stating that "
Regarding case No. 2443 of 2018, it is confirmed that out of six claim folders unclaim folders already handed over to the beneficiary on 17.10.2018 @ RTI office in presence of commissioner madam. Two claim folders of amount Rs. 5090/- and Rs. 28350/- are not traceable at our end. As per instructions we are handed over settlement voucher of all the claims."

Appeal Case No. 2443 of 2018

4. Original reply with settlement letters is handed over to the appellant -Sh.Sunik K Bhorawal today in the Commission. The appellant is satisfied with the reply and information.

5. In view of the foregoing, no cause of action is left. The appeal filed by the appellant is therefore **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2018**

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Sh. Kuldeep Kumar,
S/o Sh. Tej Ram
Ward No. 13, Baran Nohre
Budhlada, Mansa

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o DPI(SE), Punjab Mohali
First Appellate Authority
O/o DPI(SE), Punjab Mohali

.Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1614 of 2018

Present: (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh.Shingara Singh, Sr. Assistant, Sh.Ashish Jain,
Sr. Assistant

ORDER

- This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.10.2018.
2. The appellant is absent today.
 3. Respondent states that the information has already been sent to the appellant.
 4. The perusal of the file shows that the appellant is absent today. He has not even present on the last date of hearing. He has not even bothered to inform the commission about his absence.
 5. In the aforementioned circumstance, I am of the opinion that no useful purpose would be served in keeping this appeal case pending for an indefinite period. Accordingly, the appeal case filed by the appellant **is disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
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Sh Rakesh Manhas,
S/o Sh Omkar Singh,
M/s Manhas Chemical and Scientific,
Near Govt Primary School, Sherpur Khurd,
Distt Ludhiana

Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
Registrar, Firms & Societies, Pb
17 Bays Building, Sector 17, Chandigarh
First Appellate Authority-cum-
Registrar, General Firms and Societies,
Registrar, Firms & Societies, Pb
17 Bays Building, Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1130 of 2018

Present: (i) Sh. Rakesh Manhas the appellant
(ii) For the respondent :Sh. Dwarika Parshad, Sr. Assistant

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.10.2018 vide which a show cause notice was issued to the PIO-respondent.

2. Respondent files reply that some information has already been provided to the appellant.

3. After hearing the respondent, it is observed that the respondent is not aware about the facts of the case. During the last hearing, a show cause notice was issued to the respondent, but today the respondent-PIO is not present. It is observed that the respondents are being represented by very low level officials who are not in a position to satisfy the commission and the appellant. From the next date of hearing, no person below the PIO or APIO will be allowed to appear. Appearance of low level officials will amount to disrespect to the RTI Act besides invoking the provisions of imposition of penalty and also award of compensation to the appellant and also recommendation of disciplinary action against the PIO under Section 20 of RTI Act, 2005.

Appeal Case No. 1130 of 2018

4. The perusal of the file shows that the appellant has filed RTI on 24.11.2017, but complete information has still not been provided to him by the respondents, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission.

5. This has resulted in much avoidable inconvenience and hardship to the Appellant. He is, therefore, entitled to be compensated under Section 19(8)(b) of RTI Act 2005 for the loss and detriment suffered by him. In the circumstances, I am of the view that ends of justice would be met if a sum of **Rs.2500/- (Rupees Twenty Five hundred Only)** is awarded to the Appellant as compensation. I order accordingly.

6. This amount shall be payable by the Respondent from the State exchequer within fifteen days from the receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission.

7. Sh. Sarabjit Singh, Registrar-cum-PIO is directed to come present on the next date of hearing, alongwith complete information failing which action under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated.

8. To come up on **05.12.2018 at 11.00 AM**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2018

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Sh Gurdeep Singh Dhingi, S/o Sh Harnam Singh,
R/o Block No-1, H No-390, Dharampura Mohalla,
Dhuri, Distt Sangrur

Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
Assistant Labour Commissioner,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
Labour Commissioner,
SCO-47-48, Sec-17, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 920 of 2018

Present : None for the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.10.2018.

2. Today neither the Appellant nor the Respondent is present. Hence, one last opportunity is given to both the parties to appear before the Commission and state their case.

3. To come up on **10.12.2018 at 11:00 AM**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2018

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Sh Hari Singh,
S/o Sh. Harbans Singh,
VPO Waan Tara Singh,
Patti, Distt Tarn Taran

.... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Distt Food Supply Controller,
Tarn Taran

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director,
Food civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs,
Anaaj Bhawan Building, Sector 39c,
Chandigarh

...Respondent

AC No. 2201 of 2018

Present: (i) Sh Hari Singh, Appellant.
(ii) For the respondent: Smt Jasjit Kaur, DFSSO alongwith Sh Vishaljit Singh, Inspector

ORDER

- This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.10.2018.
2. The Respondent states that they have got the complete information today. A copy of the same is handed over to the Appellant.
 3. The Appellant has gone through the same and states that the information is not complete and he is not satisfied with it.
 4. Today, both the parties mutually agreed that the applicant shall visit the office of respondent on **26.11.2018 at 11:00 AM**, inspect the relevant records, identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provided copies thereof, according to his RTI application, within a fortnight, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005
 5. To come up on **28.11.2018 at 11:00 AM**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2018

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Sh Narinder Kumar Bitta,
S/o Sh Rai Sahib,
#2438A, Street No2,
Shri Guru Nanak Nagar,
Near 16 Acre, Barnala

.... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM, Barnala

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Additional DC,
Barnala

..Respondent

AC No. 2279 of 2018

Present: (i) Sh Narinder Kumar Bitta, Appellant
(ii) for the respondent : Sh Harvinder Singh,S.A

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.10.2018.

2. The Respondent states that the information is not available in their official record. He has filed an affidavit for the same, which is taken on record. The original affidavit is handed over to the Appellant.

3. Since the respondent has filed an affidavit, no further cause of action is left. Hence, the Appeal case filed by the Appellant is **disposed off and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2018

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Sh. Jasmail Singh, S/o Sh Nachattar Singh,
Village Kot Crore Khurd, Tehsil & Distt Ferozepur,
Hal Abad NIS, Moti Bagh, Patiala.

Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat,
Kot Crore Khurd, Block Ghall Kurd,
Distt Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority
BDPO, Block Ghall Kurd,
Distt Ferozepur.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1149 of 2018

Present: (i) Sh Jasmail Singh Khosa, Appellant.
(ii) None on behalf of the Respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.10.2018.

2. Today, no one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent. However, a letter has been received from the Respondent vide Commission diary no.-23107 dated 16.11.2018 stating therein that they shall not be able to attend the hearing today. He has sought another date.

3. The Appellant states that he has not received the complete information.

4. The perusal of the file shows that the Respondent has sought some time. Hence, sometime be given to the Respondent to provide information.

5. To come up on **07.01.2019 at 11:00 AM**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2018

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Sh.Vikas Krishan, S/o ShAkshay Kumar
R/o Near Jangi Shivaliya, Raho
Distt. SBS Nagar

.....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
o/o DEO(SE),
SBS Nagar
First Appellate Authority
o/o DEO(SE),
SBS Nagar

.....Respondent

AC .No. 1920 of 2018

Present : (i) Sh Vikas Krishan, Appellant
(ii) For the respondent : Sh Bhupinder Singh, Clerk

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated. 18.10.2018.

2. As directed during the previous hearing, the Respondent files an affidavit which is taken on record. Further, the Respondent hands over a Demand Draft of Rs 2000/- to the Appellant, as compensation. The Respondent also hands over information running into 15 pages.

3. The Appellant states that he is satisfied with the same.

4. Since the appellant is satisfied, no cause of action is left. Hence, the Appeal case filed by the Appellant is **disposed off and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
Dated: 19.11.2018

Sd/-
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