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Shri Hakam Singh Gill (N.R.I.), M: 959231494 Village Badala, Tehsil Kharar, Distt SAS Nagar	Appellant/Complainant
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Public Information Officer [Encl. RTI] O/o EO, Nagar Palika, Kharar, Distt SAS Nagar.	Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 361 of 2020
Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Complainant: Shri Hakam Singh Gill

Respondent: Sh. Anil Kumar (9478024052)

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference of previous order dated 22.09.2020
- 2. Complainant Shri Hakam Singh Gill, states that no information has been received so far. <u>Further, telephonically the respondent authority was asked the cause of delay in providing the sought information and also he was asked to join the hearing on cisco webex immediately.</u>
- 3. After this, respondent Sh. Anil Kumar had joined the Cisco webex meeting and he pleaded that he has not knowing about this complaint case as he has not got the RTI application. Later the RTI application is been sent to the whatsapp number of Sh. Anil Kumar by the Commission.
- 4. In the view of above another opportunity is given to respondent PIO, to represent this case on the next date of hearing with the directions to file a reply/ supply the information before the next date of hearing positively, failing to which punitive action will be initiated.
- Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 06.01.2021 through CISCO WEBEX at 11:00 A.M.
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6. Announced in the Court, copy of the order to be sent to the parties.

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S/o Shri Gurmail Singh, Vill, Birarhwal,	Appellant/Complainant
PO Agol, Tehsil Nabha-147202.	
Versus	
Public Information Officer	Respondent
O/o Supdt. Security Jail, Nabha.	

Complaint Case No.: 311 of 2020 Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Complainant: Shri Hakam Singh Gill

Respondent: Sh. Surajmal (APIO) (8973847685)

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference of previous order dated 22.09.2020.
- 2. Respondent, Sh. Surajmal pleaded that sought information enumerated in RTI application has been supplied to the appellant on dated **06.10.2020** with a copy to the Commission.
- 3. Complainant, Sh. Surajmal, states that the supplied information by the respondent is partial and incomplete in nature.
- 4. After hearing both the parties and going through the case file, the appellant is directed/advised to collect the information/reply, he may approach respondent PIO at a mutually decided date and time (i.e. 23.11.2020 at 11:00 am). The respondent PIO is bound to make available the information/reply, the copies of the same will be provided by the respondents, under intimation to the commission.

Another opportunity is given to both the parties to present the case on next date of hearing positively, falling to which the case would be decided on merit basis.

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Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa

SCO No 88, District Shopping center, Ranjeet Avenue, Amritsar.

Appellant

Public Information Officer/APIO

O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority
O/o Executive Officer,
Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.: 3582 & 3584 of 2019 Cisco Webex Proceedings

Versus

Present:

Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Ravinder Kumar (XEN) (9988503377)

ORDER

- This order may be read with reference of previous order dated 21.09.2020 vide which
 compensation of Rs.2000/- was imposed on respondent PIO (in each cases separately) for
 not furnishing information within the time specified under Section 7(1) of the RTI Act .
 Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
- 2. Respondent, Sh. Ravinder Kumar had made a written submission in the commission via post, i.e. letter dated 23.10.2020 vide diary no. 14688, which is attached below:-

ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਏ.ਸੀ.ਨੰ : 3582 ਆਫ 2019 ਅਤੇ 3584 ਆਫ 2019 (Work done in Ward no 51) ਨਾਲ ਸਬੰਧਿਤ ਹੈ । ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਨੂੰ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਵੀ ਦਫਤਰੀ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ : 2151 ਮਿਤੀ : 20/08/2020 ਰਾਹੀ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਉਪਲਬੱਧ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਦੇ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ। ਜਿਸ ਸਬੰਧ ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਕਿਹਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ ਕਿ ਨਕਸ਼ੇ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਏ। ਜੋ ਕਿ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਦੀ ਵੀਡਿਓ ਕਾਨਫਰਸ ਮਿਤੀ 07/08/2020 ਰਾਹੀ ਫੈਸਲਾ ਹੋਇਆ ਸੀ ਕਿ ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਨੂੰ ਅਸਲ ਫਾਈਲ ਦਿਖਾ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ ਅਤੇ ਜੋ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਫਾਈਲ ਵਿੱਚ ਚਾਹੀਦਾ ਹੈ ਉਸਦੀ ਫੋਟੋਸਟੇਟ ਕਰਵਾ ਕੇ ਅਪੀਲ ਕਰਤਾ ਨੂੰ ਦੇ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇਗੀ।

ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਦਫਤਰ ਆ ਕੇ ਅਸਲ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਦੇਖ ਲਿਆ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਤੋਂ ਇਲਾਵਾ ਇਸ ਕੇਸ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿਚ ਹੋਰ ਕੋਈ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਨਹੀ ਹੈ। ਆਪ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਏ.ਸੀ. ਨੰ : 3582 ਆਫ 2019 ਅਤੇ 3584 ਆਫ 2019 ਦਫਤਰ ਦਾਖਿਲ ਕਰਨ ਦੀ ਕਿਰਪਾਲਤਾ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ ਜੀ।

- 3. Appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa is not present for today's hearing.
- 4. After perusal of the RTI application and going through the information supplied by the respondent PIO, the Commission finds that the RTI application has been **suitably replied** and the information has been supplied to the **best extent.**
- 5. The above mentioned cases (i.e AC:3582/2020 and 3584/2020) are **only left for the compliance of the compensation of RS.2000/-**. The compensation amount must be paid by the concerned PIO through cheque and demand draft in favour of appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa from the account of public authority and not from individual account .

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- 6. The respondent authority is directed to duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof of having compensated the appellant before the next date of hearing.
- 7. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **06.01.2021 through CISCO WEBEX at 11:00 A.M.**

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Versus

Appellant

Public Information Officer/APIO

O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority

Respondents O/o Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Amritsar

Appeal Case No.: 3587 of 2019 Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Appellant: Absent

Respondent: Sh. Ravinder Kumar (XEN) (9988503377)

Sh. Sonu Mahindru (Nodal Officer) (9814327724)

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference of previous order dated 27.01.2020, 19.02.2020, 16.06.2020, 05.08.2020, 07.08.2020, 13.08.2020 & 21.09.2020. In last order dated 21.09.2020 compensation of Rs.2000/- was imposed on respondent PIO for not furnishing information within the time specified under Section 7(1) of the RTI Act. Accordingly, the case is fixed for today.
- 2. Respondent PIO, Sh. Ravinder Kumar pleaded that the sought information is pertaining to ward no. 13, 14 and 15, among which information pertaining to ward no. 14 has been provided and rest are likely to be supplied very soon.

When Commission asked the Nodal officer Sh. Sonu Mahindru about the delay in providing the information to the appellant, then he contended, "I had assigned the duties to the concerned PIOs and further they are not performing their duty timely".

- 3. Appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa is not present for today's hearing.
- **4.** The Commission observed that despite imposition of Compensation on the PIO in case no. 3587 on 21.09.2020 he appeared clueless in respect of the nuances of the RTI Act and again appeared without proper explanation for non-compliance of the order of the Commission.
- 5. In the view of above, it is revealed that non-implementation and violation of the RTI Act has occurred number of times by the concerned respondent authority, therefore the Commission must proceed with the procedure laid down in Section 20 of the Act to initiate penalty proceedings against errant PIO. Penalty of Rs.5,000/- is imposed on PIO Sh. Ravinder Kumar.
- 6. Commission has taken a serious view against this lapse on part of the concerned Public information officer and has directed the Drawing and Distributing officer (<u>Sh. Harinder</u> <u>Singh Chahal Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Amritsar</u>) to recover the penalty and compensation amount from the salary of concerned PIO and send a compliance report to the Commission positively before the next date of hearing.

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- Penalty amount to be deposited in the Government treasury under head 0070-Other Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act.
- 8. A strict warning is issued to the PIO for not providing any reply to the appellant within the timeline prescribed under the Act. The PIOs are warned to be careful with the timeline and refrain from delaying replies. The information sought by the appellant is specific and should be replied to categorically. The PIO is directed to provide a point wise reply, as enumerated in the RTI Application within 20 days from the date of receipt of this order. A compliance report to this effect shall be sent to the Commission by the PIO duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof (i.e of having compensated the appellant and copy of challan of penalty imposed) for record immediately.
- 9. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **06.01.2021 through CISCO WEBEX at 11:00 A.M.**

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Reg. Post Sh. Ravinder Kumar (XEN)

O/o Improvement Trust,

Amritsar

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Versus

Appellant

Public Information Officer/APIO

O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority

O/o Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.: 3593 of 2019
Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Nobody

ORDER

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- 2. Appellant Sh. Satnam Singh Randhawa is not present for today's hearing.
- **3.** The Commission observed that despite imposition of Compensation on the PIO is absent irrespective of the nuances of the RTI Act.
- **4.** and again appeared without proper explanation for non-compliance of the order of the Commission.
- 5. Viewing the absence of respondent PIO and non-implementation of previous orders of the Commission it is found that violation of the RTI Act has occurred number of times by the concerned respondent authority, therefore the Commission must proceed with the procedure laid down in Section 20 of the Act to initiate penalty proceedings against errant PIO. Penalty of Rs.5,000/- is imposed on PIO Sh. Vikram Singh.
- 6. Commission has taken a serious view against this lapse on part of the concerned Public information officer and has directed the Drawing and Distributing officer (<u>Sh. Harinder</u> <u>Singh Chahal Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Amritsar</u>) to recover the penalty and compensation amount from the salary of concerned PIO and send a compliance report to the Commission positively before the next date of hearing.
- 7. Penalty amount to be deposited in the Government treasury under head **0070-Other**Administrative Services-60-Other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees under the Right to Information Act.

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- 8. A strict warning is issued to the PIO for not providing any reply to the appellant within the timeline prescribed under the Act. The PIOs are warned to be careful with the timeline and refrain from delaying replies. The information sought by the appellant is specific and should be replied to categorically. The PIO is directed to provide a point wise reply, as enumerated in the RTI Application within 20 days from the date of receipt of this order. A compliance report to this effect shall be sent to the Commission by the PIO duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof (i.e of having compensated the appellant and copy of challan of penalty imposed) for record immediately.
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Versus

Appellant

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First Appellate Authority
O/o Executive Officer,
Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

Respondents

Appeal Case No.: 3594 of 2019 Cisco Webex Proceedings

Present: Nobody

ORDER

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- 6. Commission has taken a serious view against this lapse on part of the concerned Public information officer and has directed the Drawing and Distributing officer (<u>Sh. Harinder</u> <u>Singh Chahal Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Amritsar</u>) to recover the penalty and compensation amount from the salary of concerned PIO and send a compliance report to the Commission positively before the next date of hearing.
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- 8. A strict warning is issued to the PIO for not providing any reply to the appellant within the timeline prescribed under the Act. The PIOs are warned to be careful with the timeline and refrain from delaying replies. The information sought by the appellant is specific and should be replied to categorically. The PIO is directed to provide a point wise reply, as enumerated in the RTI Application within 20 days from the date of receipt of this order. A compliance report to this effect shall be sent to the Commission by the PIO duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the order and submit proof (i.e of having compensated the appellant and copy of challan of penalty imposed) for record immediately.
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