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Sh Rajinder Goyal, Gen Secretary, International Human Rights Association, Mata Modi road, Sunam 1487028 Sangrur A THE HEAT ALL AND A THE A

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Vs

Public Information Officer o/o the Director, Public Instructions (Colleges) Pb. Vidhya Bhawan Sector 68, Mohali

First Appellate Authority o/o the Director, Public Instructions (Colleges) Pb. Vidhya Bhawan Sector 68, Mohali

Public Information Officer o/o Superintendent, Education 1 Branch, Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Chandigarh

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 2246 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Rajinder Goyal, appellant Sh. Harpreet Singh, Sr. Asstt and Sh. Hem Chand on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.7.2022. The case was earlier heard by the bench of Sh. Sanjiv Garg, SIC but due to administrative reasons the case was reallocated to this bench and fixed for hearing today.

2. The appellant submits that the information related to five colleges identified by him has not been supplied by the respondent. However, the representative of the respondents submits that nothing is available on record pertaining to five colleges which could be supplied to the appellant. In addition he submits that the appellant has already inspected the relevant record. He further submits that a letter has been issued to the Public Information Officer o/o Superintendent, Education 1 Branch,

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Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Chandigarh to supply the information. Accordingly, he is impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI application is also **being sent** to him along with this order.

3. Also, the appellant is directed to establish the larger public interest involved in seeking the third party information.

4. As per the Punjab RTI Rules, 2017 the said colleges are also impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the submissions, if any, before the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of non-receipt of any submissions before the next date of hearing the case will be decided ex-parte, on merit.

5. To come up on 23.9.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:2.9.2022

(Suresh Arora) Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.

CC Principal Rehbar College of Education for Women, Bhawanigarh, Sangrur

Principal Khalsa College of Education, Amritsar

Principal Guru Gobind Singh College of Education Sarhali, Tarantaran

Principal New Synergy Int. College of Education VPO Burj, Bathinda

Principal New Universal College of Education, Derabassi, Patiala

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Sh. Pardeep Kumar Mehta, Krishn Valley, Street 04, Village Kakkon, Teh. & Distt. Hoshiarpur

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer o/o District Education officer(Elem), Hoshiarpur

First Appellate Authority o/o District Education officer(Elem), Hoshiarpur

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 4856 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Pardeep Kumar Mehta, appellant

Sh. Satish Kumar, Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.7.2022. The case was earlier heard by the bench of Sh. Sanjiv Garg, SIC but due to administrative reasons the case was reallocated to this bench and fixed for hearing today.

3. The respondent-Public Information Officer submits that the reply in this case has already been sent to the appellant which was received from the concerned school. However, the appellant submits that the trees planted have been cut and sold without the approval of the District Education Officer as the same were planted on the school land, which is the property of the Education Department. He further submits that the respondent-Public Information Officer may be directed to file an affidavit as has been mentioned in the reply.

4. Accordingly, the Public Information Officer is directed to send an affidavit duly sworn to the appellant with a copy to the Commission, as per the reply filed by him, within two weeks with which the Public Information Officer agrees to. With these directions the case is adjourned

5. To come up on 23.9.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

Dated:2.9.2022

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Sh. Gurpreet Singh H.No. 364/30D, New Aatam Nagar, City Jagraon,Ludhiana

Vs

Public Information Officer o/o Director Public Instructions(Colleges),Pb. Vidya Bhawan, Sector 62, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority o/o Director Public Instructions(Colleges),Pb. (Grant 2 Branch) Vidya Bhawan, Sector 62, Mohali.

.. respondents

.. appellant

Appeal Case No. 2406 of 2021

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Gurpreet Singh, appellant. None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 11.7.2022. The case was earlier heard by the bench of Sh. Sanjiv Garg, SIC but due to administrative reasons the case was reallocated to this bench and fixed for hearing today.

2. The appellant submits that he has received the complete information pertaining to Point No. 1 & 2 of the RTI application and is satisfied with the same. Regarding Point No. 3 & 4 of the RTI application he submits that he has not received the complete information in this case.

3. The respondent-Public Information Officer is absent without intimation. It is also a fact on record that the penalty amounting to Rs.10,000/- (Rupees ten thousands) has been imposed upon the Public Information Officer. Neither the compliance has been received from the respondents nor is anybody present on behalf of them. One last opportunity is granted to the respondent-Public Information Officer to file the reply/supply the information pertaining to Point No. 3 & 4 of the

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RTI application before the next date of hearing failing which disciplinary action will also be recommended against him.

4. Also for the compliance of this order, a copy of the same is being sent to the Director, Public Instructions (Colleges), Punjab and to the Drawing and Disbursing Officer-cum-DCFA, o/o Director, Public Instructions (Colleges), Punjab.

5. To come up on 23.9.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana (for the appellant) and at Chandigarh for the respondents.

Dated:2.9.2022

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.. appellant

Public Information Officer o/o Head Teacher, Govt. Primary School, Sukhdev Nagar, Urban Estate, Jamalpur, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority o/o District Education Officer(Elem) Ludhiana

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 4365 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Vs

Present:- Sh. Sukhdhir Singh Sekhon, appellant.

Sh. Amandeep Singh 9646666974 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.3.2022 vide which the case was adjourned for 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 but due to administrative reasons the case was further adjourned for 13<sup>th</sup> October, 2022. The case was earlier heard by the bench of Sh. Sanjiv Garg, SIC but due to administrative reasons the case was reallocated to this bench and fixed for hearing today.

2. The appellant submits that he has received the complete information pertaining to Point No. 1 & 2 of the RTI application. He further submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to supply the remaining information pertaining to Point No. 3 to 6 of the RTI application. Also, the respondent submits that there is no public interest involved in seeking the information as the appellant was working as Head Teacher in the same school.

3. After hearing both the parties, the directions are issued to the appellant to establish the larger public interest involved in seeking the information before the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on 23.9.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated:2.9.2022

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

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

Public Information Officer o/o Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Home Affairs & Justice, Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

.. respondents

#### Appeal Case No. 3467 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Vs

Present:-None on behalf of the parties. ORDER

The RTI application is dated 28.4.2022 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 31.5.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 26.7.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

The appellant is absent without intimation. None is present on behalf of the 2. respondent but the written submissions have been received vide which it has informed that the RTI application of the appellant has been transferred to the Home Affairs and Justice Department under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005. Accordingly the PIO o/o Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Department of Home Affairs & Justice, is impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI application is also **being sent** to him along with this order.

To come up on 27.9.2022 at 12.30 PM at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video 3. Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana for the appellant and at Chandigarh for the respondents.

Dated:2.9.2022

(Suresh Arora) Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.



.. appellant

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Sh. Gurpreet Singh s/o Sh. Gian Singh Village Chabba Gilan Patti, Near Bittu Halwae, Tarn Taran Road, Amritsar 143022 8847513102 RTI application No. 14256

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer o/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority o/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar

Public Information Officer o/o Superintending Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Circle, Amritsar.

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 3438 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Harpreet Singh, SDE 8360907229 o/o Superintending /Engineer, Water Supply and Sewerage Board, Amritsar on behalf of the respondents.

#### ORDER

The RTI application is dated 18.4.2022 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 28.5.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 25.7.2022 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. The appellant is absent without intimation. However, the respondent submits that the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar transferred the RTI application of the appellant to the Superintending Engineer, Water Supply and Sewerage Board, Amritsar but the matter relates to the Superintending Engineer, Water Supply and Sanitation Circle, Amritsar and the RTI application of the appellant has been transferred to the said Public Information Officer. Accordingly, he is impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI application is also **being sent** to him along with this order.

3. To come up on 23.9.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Dated:2.9.2022

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.. appellant

Public Information Officer o/o Chancellor, Punjabi University, Patiala

First Appellate Authority o/o Chancellor, Punjabi University, Ludhiana

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 2934 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Vs

Present:- Sh. Sahil Kumar 8595977082 on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Vikrant Sharma, Advocate on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 12.8.2022.

2. Both the parties made the submissions in their favour. After detailed deliberations with both the parties, the directions are issued to the appellant to establish the larger public interest involved in seeking the information to take the matter to its logical end. Also the appellant and the respondent is directed to remain present in person on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of absence of any party on the next date of hearing, the case will be decided ex-parte on merit.

3. To come up on 23.9.2022 at 3.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:2.9.2022