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Shri Kultar Singh,
S/o Shr Joginder Singh
R/o Village Gujran,
Tehsil Dirba, Distt. Sangrur.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Sub-Divisional Engineer,
Sub Division, PSPCL, Mehlan,
Tehsil Sunam, Distt. Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority
S/o Superintending Engineer,
PSPCL, Sangrur.

....Respondents

AC No.3180 of 2021

Present: (i) **Shri Kultar Singh, Appellant, in person.**
(ii) **Shri Rajnish Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer/PIO and Shri Lakhwinder Singh, LDC, Sub Division, PSPCL, Mehlan, District Sangrur, on behalf of the PIO/respondent, in person.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 31.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Kultar Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
3. Shri Rajnish Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer and Shri Lakhwinder Singh, LDC, Sub Division, PSPCL, Mehlan, District Sangrur, PIO/respondent also come present in person before the Bench. Shri Rajnish Kumar states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 15.07.2021 and also produces original affidavit before the Bench.
4. On the asking of the Bench, Shri Rajnish Kumar shows the affidavit as well as the copy of information supplied to the appellant. After perusing the copy of information, the appellant insists that the

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information supplied is tampered with and not authentic. Then, the PIO explains to him the entire sequence of events with regard to the information sought by him and the action taken by the respondent and tries to convince the appellant regarding veracity of the information supplied.

5. After hearing the version of the PIO and the Appellant as also after perusing the copy of information supplied and going through the contents of the affidavit produced by the PIO, the Bench is convinced that adequate information has been supplied to the appellant and an affidavit with regard to the veracity of the information supplied has also been filed and is in order.

6. In view of the above, the Bench does not feel that there is need for further intervention in the matter. **As such, the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties. The original affidavit be also sent along with the order.

**Chandigarh
20.04.2022**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

Encl:Original Affidavit

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Shri Kuldip Kumar Kaura
(Retired Lecturer),
5/C, Urban Estate,
Phase-1, Focal Point,
Ludhiana-141010.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Sr. Executive Engineer,
Focal Point Unit,
Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.,
(PSPCL), Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Sr. Executive Engineer
Focal Point Unit,
Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.,
(PSPCL), Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.3172 of 2021

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Ashok Kumar, A.E.E., PSPCL, Focal Point(Spl.) Division, Ludhiana,
on behalf of the PIO/respondent, in person..**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 31.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Kuldeep Kumar Kaura, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex.
3. Shri Ashok Kumar, Asstt. Executive Engineer, Focal Point, Special Division, PSPCL, Ludhiana, comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench, on behalf of the PIO/respondent. He produces authority letter before the Bench and states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 18.04.2022 by registered post. He also states that the rectified information was also supplied to the appellant on 10.12.2021 as also by hand by calling the appellant to office on 27.01.2022.

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4. On perusal of case file, the Bench observes that an e.mail dated 18.04.2022 has been received from the appellant whereby the appellant has confirmed receipt of information to his satisfaction and has given his consent to dispose of the appeal case.

5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
20.04.2022**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Ravi Kumar
S/o Shri Dharminder Kumar
R/o House .No.107,
Near Santpur Gurdwara Sahib.
Patiala Gate, Sangrur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No.858/2020

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Ravinder Sharma, Junior Assistant/PIO,O/o Secretary, RTA
Sangrur, in person.**

ORDER:

(Heard through cisco webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 31.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ravi Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through cisco webex or in person.
3. Shri Ravinder Sharma, Junior Assistant/PIO, O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Sangrur comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 02.03.2021 and he had also been called to office to allow him access to the relevant official records on the departmental website with help of a computer literate official. He, however, insisted on hard copy of the information and has not visited their office. He also produces before the Bench a document showing that the penalty imposed on the then PIO Shri Karanvir Singh Chhina has been recovered, but he does not show any copy of treasury challan to substantiate his version regarding deposit of the penalty amount in the Government treasury.



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AC No.858/2020

4. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, he states that he has not been supplied information. He is also made to talk to the representative of PIO who apprises him of the position in this appeal case. The Bench apprises the appellant that he has been afforded many opportunities by the Bench to visit the office of PIO so that he is shown the information available on line but he failed to do so in spite of requests of the PIO.

5. Post deliberations, the Bench observes that adequate information stands supplied to the appellant, in addition, the appellant has been provided opportunities to access the website with the help of a computer literate official which he has not availed. The Bench now directs the PIO O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Sangrur to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, within 21 (twenty one) days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information sought by the appellant is available on-line on the official website. The appellant was afforded a number of opportunities to visit office of the PIO to access the entire relevant record in AC No.1126/2020, on the departmental website with the assistance of a computer literate official of the office, but the appellant has failed to avail of the opportunities provided to him. It is be further stated that the statement made is true and correct. The original affidavit be sent to the appellant and copy of the same be sent to the Commission for record. The PIO is further directed to ensure to file reply to the show cause notice as well as to send copy of the treasury challan as an evidence for having deposited the amount of penalty imposed on the PIO.

6. With the aforesaid directions, **the appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
20.04.2022**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))
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Shri Ravi Kumar
S/o Shri Dharminder Kumar
R/o House .No.107,
Near Santpur Gurdwara Sahib.
Patiala Gate, Sangrur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17C, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No.1126/2020

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Ravinder Sharma, Junior Assistant/PIO,O/o Secretary, RTA
Sangrur, in person.**

ORDER:

(Heard in person/on mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 31.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ravi Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through cisco webex or in peson.
3. Shri Ravinder Sharma, Junior Assistant/PIO, O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Sangrur comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 02.03.2021 and he had also been called to office to allow him access to the relevant official records on the departmental website with help of a computer literate official. He, however, insisted on hard copy of the information and has not visited their office. He also produces before the Bench a document showing that the penalty imposed on the then PIO Shri Karanvir Singh Chhina has been recovered, but he does not show any copy of treasury challan to substantiate his version regarding deposit of the penalty amount in the Government treasury.

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AC No.1126/2020

4. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, he states that he has not been supplied information. He is also made to talk to the representative of PIO who appraises him of the position in this appeal case. The Bench appraises the appellant that he has been afforded many opportunities by the Bench to visit the office of PIO so that he is shown the method of accessing information available on line but he failed to do so in spite of requests of the PIO.

5. Post deliberations, the Bench observes that adequate information stands supplied to the appellant, in addition, the appellant has been provided opportunities to access the website with the help of a computer literate official which he has not availed. The Bench now directs the PIO O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Sangrur to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, within 21 (twenty one) days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information sought by the appellant is available on-line on the official website. The appellant was afforded a number of opportunities to visit office of the PIO to access the entire relevant record in AC No.1126/2020, on the departmental website with the assistance of a computer literate official of the office, but the appellant has failed to avail of the opportunities provided to him. It is be further stated that the statement made is true and correct. The original affidavit be sent to the appellant and copy of the same be sent to the Commission for record. The PIO is further directed to ensure to file reply to the show cause notice as well as to send copy of the treasury challan as an evidence for having deposited the amount of penalty imposed on the PIO.

6. With the aforesaid directions, **the appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
20.04.2022**

**Sd/-
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Shri Gurpal Singh
H.No.2317/4, Sawan Nagar,
Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Dy.Chief Engineer,
Sub Urban Division,
Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.
(PSPCL), Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Punjab State Power
Corporation Ltd.(PSPCL),
Air Port Road, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No.3419 of 2021

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Vipin Vij, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Dy.C.E., Sub Urban Division, PSPCL,Amritsar, on behalf of the PIO/Respondent, in person.**

ORDER

(Heard in person/ on mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 31.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Gurpal Singh, appellant does not come for the hearing in person or through cisco webex
3. Shri Vipin Vij, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o Dy. C.E., Sub Urban Division, PSPCL, Amritsar, comes present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO/Respondent. He states that the appellant has already been supplied information vide letter dated 26.10.2021 and further, the appellant has been given reply vide letter dated 13.04.2022 stating that the period for which the appellant has asked for the information, file relating to that period is not traceable in the Suidha Kender on account of transfer of the employee from the Kender and that the concerned J.E.

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has also retired from PSPCL and the said J.E. has also given in writing that he had not received file of this name. He also states that a copy of the register relating to that period was also enclosed therewith.

4. The appellant Shri Gurpal Singh is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of Bench, he states that the information has not been supplied correctly and he is not satisfied with the same. He is also made to talk to the representative of PIO Shri Vipin Vij, AEE who apprises him of the factual position with regard to the non-availability of the file pertaining to the relevant period.

5. The Bench, after hearing the version of the representative of PIO, observes that PSPCL is a public sector organisation which has public dealing. It is beyond acceptable imagination that the files relating to the grievances raised by the public get lost and are not traceable. The Bench, however, directs the PIO O/o Deputy Chief Engineer, Sub Urban Division, PSPCL, Amritsar to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, within 21 (twenty one) days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the appellant has already been supplied information vide letter dated 26.10.2021 and further, the appellant has been given reply vide letter dated 13.04.2022 stating that the period for which the appellant has asked for the information, file relating to that period is not traceable in the Suvidha Kender on account of transfer of the employee from the Kender and that the concerned J.E. has also retired from PSPCL and the said J.E. has also given in writing that he had not received file of this name. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and copy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, **the appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
20.04.2022**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Ashok Kumar Garg,
R/o H.No.30129, Street No.1,
Paras Ram Nagar,
Bathinda.

.....Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

CC No. 791 of 2020 converted into AC No.791 of 202

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Smt. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent/PIO and Shri Gurbax Singh, Draftsman, O/o S.T.C., Punjab, Chandigarh, in person.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 31.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ashok Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing either in person or through cisco webex.
3. Smt. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent/PIO and Shri Gurbax Singh, Draftsman O/o S.T.C. Punjab, Chandigarh come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench and state that the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant Shri Ashok Kumar Garg vide letter dated 12.04.2022, sent by registered post on 19.04.2022. The PIO states that the appellant had made complaint against Smt. Malkeet Kaur and Shri Pawan Kumar, Steno, enquiry was got conducted through Secretary, R.T.A. Faridkot who has submitted report to office of S.T.C. Punjab and the same has been sent to the appellant along with the copy of relevant noting made in this regard.

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CC No.791/2020 converted into AC No.791/2020

4. Shri Ashok Kumar Garg, appellant is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, he states that he has not received the enquiry report as also the copy of complaint made by him against the officials of O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Bathinda. Then, he is made to talk to the PIO who explains to him the action taken on his complaint. Then, the Bench apprises him that since the letter dated 12.04.2022 has been sent by registered post only on 19.04.2022, it may be in transit. He states that he may be supplied an attested copy of complaint made by him as also the statements of the witnesses.

5. Post deliberations with the Appellant and the PIO, the Bench directs the PIO to provide point-wise information along with the copy of complaint to the complainant/appellant by registered post within next seven days. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit, on non-judicial stamp paper, within 21 (twenty one) days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in CC No.791/AC No.791/2020, has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and copy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, **the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
20.04.2022**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Smt. Bimaljit Kaur
R/o #1574, Eco City,
Phase-I, Mohali.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Greater Mohali Area Development
Authority (GMADA), Mohali.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Greater Mohali Area Development
Authority (GMADA), Mohali.

...Respondents

AC No.649/2022

Present: (i) **Shri Gurdarshan Singh on behalf of Smt. Bimaljit Kaur, Appellant, in person.**
(ii) **Shri Gurvinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer/PIO, O/o GMADA, Mohali, in person.**

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 07.04.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in her RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 25.08.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 28.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 20.04.2022 through cisco webex. The case has been heard today. Shri Gurdarshan Singh comes present to attend the hearing in person on behalf of Smt. Bimaljit Kaur, appellant. He states that the appellant was issued a LOI for allotment of a plot measuring 50 Sq. Yds., but in spite of a number of requests made by the appellant, no allotment letter has been issued by GMADA so far.

3. Shri Gurvinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer/PIO, GMADA, Mohali comes present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing. He states that in pursuance of orders of Punjab State

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Consumers Redressal Commission, the appellant was informed vide letter dated 09.09.2021 that she has been allotted two plots measuring 200 sq. yds. under re-allocation policy in Eco City, Mohali and apart from this, a LOI for allotment of a 50 sq. yds. plot was also issued to the appellant and in this connection, the file is under process and that the appellant would be intimated of the action taken. He further states that now, the said LOI has been cancelled and the cancellation letter has been sent to the appellant on 12.04.2022.

4. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of appellant confirms receipt of the said cancellation letter by the appellant.

5. In view of position as emerges above, no further intervention of the Bench is called for.

As such, the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
20.04.2022**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Jagdeep Singh
S/o Shri Baljinder Singh
R/o Village Khokhar,
District Sri Muktsar Sahib.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Addl. Dy. Commissioner(Development),
Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Rural Development &
Panchayat Department, Punjab,
Vikas Bhawan, Sector-62,Mohali.

...Respondents

AC No.625/2022

Present:

- (i) Appellant- absent.
- (ii) Shri Harbhajan Singh, Employment Officer and Shri Manish Kumar, Clerk O/o CEO-cum-ADC (G), District Bureau of Employment and Enterprises, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 13.10.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 26.11.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 20.04.2022 through cisco webex. The case has been heard today. Shri Jagdeep Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex.

3. Shri Harbhajan Singh, Employment Officer and Shri Manish Kumar, Clerk O/o CEO-cum-ADC (G), District Bureau of Employment and Enterprises, Sri Muktsar Sahib, come present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. They state that the RTI application has been

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transferred by PIO O/o D.C. Sri Muktsar Sahib to the District Employment Officer-cum-PIO, Sri Muktsar Sahib vide letter dated 22.02.2021. They further state that point-wise information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 16.11.2021 and no deficiencies have been pointed out by the appellant. They also state the details of information has also been sent to the Hon'ble Commission vide letter dated 28.03.2022.

4. The appellant Shri Jagdeep Singh is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant denies the receipt of information. Then, the Bench makes him to talk to the representative of PIO who explains to him the information supplied vide letter dated 16.11.2021.

5. The Bench apprises the appellant that the Bench is in agreement with the contention of the PIO and he has been correctly denied information on Points No.1 to 3 of his RTI application, whereas the PIO has supplied information relating to the details of selected and waiting list candidates of different categories. He is, however, apprised that copy of the information received from PIO will be sent to him along with the order.

6. In view of the above, the Bench does not feel need for further intervention in the matter. **The instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
20.04.2022**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**