



Manjit Singh
S/o Sh. Sohan Singh,
388/3, Bahera Road,
Patiala (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police,
Patiala(Punjab)

Encl : RTI Request

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director General of Police, Punjab
Police Head Quarter,
Sector - 9, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 117 of 2020

Present : Sh. Manjit Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Hakam Singh, S. I. , on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 16.09.2019. First appeal is dated 01.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 30.12.2019. The information demanded through RTI request is regarding copy of bills and stock-register and mode of payment of S. S. K. Police Lines, Patiala for the period from 01.02.2018 to 28.02.2018

On the last date of hearing, held on 30.11.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to supply the remaining information at point no. 09 of the RTI request to the appellant

Sh. Hakam Singh, S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant

The appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh , who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that information at point no. 09 is still pending.

As complete information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide orders dated 30.11.2021, hence, the Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO and a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Senior Superintendent of Police, Patiala, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings', it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

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Last opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request, through registered post with a copy to the Commission. If any information, to any to remaining information at point no. 09 of the RTI request through registered post to the appellant with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the remaining information or not.

The case is adjourned to 23rd August, 2022 (Tuesday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties as well as to P.S. of Hon'ble S. I. Cs for intimation.

(Lt. Gen. Ajae Kumar Sharma)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Asit Jolly)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Date : 20th June, 2022

Encl : RTI Request

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Ludhiana(Punjab)

Encl : RTI request

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director General of Police, Punjab
Police Head Quarter, Sector - 9, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 415 of 2021

Present : Sh. Manjit Singh, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 12.09.2020. First appeal is dated 12.10.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.11.2021. The information demanded through RTI request is Copy of register carrying Road numbers (Parwana, Form 10.17) which were issued by Police Station Division - 04 Ludhiana to R. T. A., Ludhiana for the period from 01.01.2020 to 31.08.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 30.11.2021, last & final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the requisite information to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, he (the respondent PIO) has not sent any document showing that the information has been supplied to the appellant. It reflects that after a lapse of more than one and half year, the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings', it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

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Last opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request, through registered post with a copy to the Commission. If any information, to any query/queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, is not available or not maintained in the official record, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will send/file a reply, in writing, to the particular query/queries through registered post to the appellant with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is adjourned to 23rd August, 2022 (Tuesday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab
Date : 20th June, 2022

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Encl : RTI request

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...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2049 of 2019

Present : Sh. Manjit Singh, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 27.02.2019. First appeal is dated 26.03.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 10.06.2019. The information demanded is regarding approval given by DGP, Chandigarh to office of SSP, Patiala vide letter dated 27.10.2017 for Rs. 20,50,000/-purchasing of equipments for Police Station Patran.

On the last date of hearing, held on 30.11.2021, directions were given to the respondent PIO to supply the requisite information to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, he (the respondent PIO) has not sent any document showing that the information has been supplied to the appellant. It reflects that after a lapse of more than two years, the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Inspector General of Police, Punjab, Patiala, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings', it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

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Last opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request, through registered post with a copy to the Commission. If any information, to any query/queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, is not available or not maintained in the official record, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will send/file a reply, in writing, to the particular query/queries through registered post to the appellant with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is adjourned to 23rd August, 2022 (Tuesday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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(Railways) Patiala (Punjab)

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...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5532 of 2021

Present : Sh. Manjit Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Naresh Kumar, A. S. I., on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 19.07.2021 and the information demanded through RTI is Details of Kulvir Singh Mour, Railway Police, Patiala i.e Belt Number, place of posting attendance, before joining if any FIR, enquiry pending against him in District Sangrur and presently rank status and salary etc.. First appeal is dated 13.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 07.12.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Sh. Naresh Kumar, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the information demanded through RTI request is regarding service record of Sh. Kulvir Singh (an employee of Railway Department), which is 'third party' information. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 18060 dated 06.05.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 9605 dated 09.05.2022, appended to which is a copy of letter dated 25.07.2021 signed by Kulvir Singh (regarding whom information was demanded) through which he has refused to supply any kind of his information to anyone. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

After going over the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request, it emerges that information at point no. 04 which is regarding departmental enquiry/enquiries is 'third party' information', hence, directions are hereby given to the respondent PIO to supply the required information demanded by the appellant at point no 01 to 03 and 05 of RTI request and information at point no. 04 is not to be given as it is 'personal information'.

The case is adjourned to 23rd August, 2022 (Tuesday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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First Appellate Authority,
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...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1866 of 2022

Present : Sh. Manjit Singh, the appellant in person.
Ms. Rajinder Kaur, Head Constable, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

The RTI request is dated 21.01.2022 and the information demanded through RTI is Copy of challan-book and receipt-book for the period from 01.01.2020 to 31.08.2020 sent by Traffic Police City Kurali to District Traffic Police, Mohali. First appeal is dated 21.02.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.04.2022.

Ms. Rajinder Kaur, Head Constable, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that a reply has already been given to the appellant vide letter no. 6641 dated 29.01.2022 and also submitted a reply during the hearing to the Commission vide letter no. 38004 dated 18.06.2022. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

She (Ms. Rajinder Kaur, Head Constable) also submitted another reply vide letter no. 83011 dated 20.06.2022, signed by APIO office of S. S. P., S. A. S. Nagar, intimating that he is unable to attend today's hearing personally as he is pre-occupied in maintaining 'law and order' due to 'Bharat Bandh'. It is also taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Manjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that information at point no. 02 of the RTI request is not at all "third party" information.

After going through the query no. 02 raised by the appellant through his RTI request, it emerges that information demanded at point no. 02 is not 'third party' information, hence, directions are hereby given to the respondent PIO to supply the required information at point no. 02 of the RTI request to the appellant under intimation to the Commission, by the next date of hearing positively.

The case is adjourned to 23rd August, 2022 (Tuesday) at 12:00 Noon for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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