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SH. Raj Ahuja s/o Sh. Bhagwan Chand, r/o Village Gram Panchayat Neola, Tehsil & Distt Fazilka.

....Appellant

Public Information Officer o/o District Social Welfare Officer, Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority o/o District Social Welfare Officer, Fazilka.

Sh. Kawaljeet Singh Grewal, 9915539577, Public Information Officer-cumo/o District Social Welfare Officer, Ferozepur Road, Fazilka.

Public Information Officer o/o C.D.P.O. Fazilka, Distt Fazilka.

Sh. Sarabjit Singh, 9803657894 Public Information Officer-cum-

Block Development and Panchayats Officer

FazilkaRespondents

Appeal Case No. 3210 of 2017

Registered

Vs

Present:- Sh. Raj Ahuja, appellant 9855711127

Sh. Malkiat Singh, Accountant, Sh. Satwant Singh, CDPO _____ and Sh. Harbhajan Singh, DSO office on behalf of the respondents. 7973814146,

6283478313, 9592513903.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 20.5.2021.

- 2. The respondent-Public Information Officer Sh. Malkiat Singh states that he was the Block Development and Panchayats Officer at Fazilka and now he has been posted at the headquarter. He has also submitted the response in this regard, which is taken on record. He further states that Sh. Sarabjit Singh, Block Development and Panchayats Officer is presently posted at Fazilka.
- 3. Also the appellant states that the respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-CDPO

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Fazilka supplied the copy of pension register in which the age of father and son duo remained the same. He further states that the pension has been disbursed to ineligible persons having age less than 60 years. The appellant also placed on record a copy of register provided by the CDPO Office, Fazilka, which will be considered on the next date of hearing.

- 4. That the previous Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer has been transferred and Sh. Sarabjit Singh, Block Development and Panchayats Officer has taken over as Block Development and Panchayats Officer-cum-Chairman, Block Samiti, Fazilka. Therefore, one last opportunity is granted to the respondent to file the reply/supply of information before the next date of hearing as has been sought by the appellant else file a self declaration in accordance with the orders of the Commission dated 18.3.2021. A copy of the order dated 18.3.2021 is also being sent along with this order.
- 5. It is also a fact on record that Ms Amarjeet Kaur, former CDPO, Fazilka filed an affidavit on 17.3.2021 and the relevant portion of the same is reproduced below:-
 - "1. That information sought by applicant Raj Kumar Ahuja in which the record of PLA No. 151700, 151701, 151699 are traced in our official record and the same are already sent in your Hon'ble Office. Photocopy are attached herewith.
 - 2. That the photocopies of the PLA register are attached sought by the applicant Raj Kumar Ahuja.
 - 3. That the other record are relating with office of the Block Samiti Chairman, Fazilka because in the year 2009-2010 this officer is passing authority of pensions."

Whereas, the CDPO, Fazilka has sent a letter bearing No. 348 dated 20.5.2021 vide which it has informed that Sh. Baljit Singh, Senior Assistant has not handed over the record in spite of the letters written to him. A copy of the letter dated 20.5.2021 is taken on record. Also the CDPO, Fazilka requested for the time in accordance with the letter dated 20.5.2021.

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On the one hand the former C.D.P.O. is issuing the copies of form PLA No. 151700, 151701, 151699 to the appellant and also given an affidavit that the other record relates to the office of the Block Samiti Chairman, Fazilka because in the year 2009-2010 the said officer was authority to pass pension cases and on the other hand the CDPO, Fazilka vide his letter dated 20.5.2021 stated that Sh. Baljit Singh, Sr. Asstt was directed to hand over the record but he is not handing over the record. It is also a fact on record that the letters were issued to Sh. Baljit Singh, Sr. Asstt after the submissions of the affidavit filed by the former CDPO, Fazilka Ms Amarjeet Kaur. Since, the CDPO Fazilka has requested to adjourn the case, therefore, he is directed to look into the matter personally and file the detailed reply in this regard before the next date of hearing.

- 6. Also Sh. Baljit Singh has sent the written submissions to the Commission through whatsapp, but the same are not legible. Although Sh. Baljit Singh is not a party in this case but as he has made the submissions to the Commission, therefore, he is advised to submit the legible copy of the submissions for the consideration of the Commission.
- 7. Accordingly, the case is adjourned. To come up on 28.7.2021 at 1.00 PM at Chandigarh.

Sd sd

(Preety Chawla) (Suresh Arora)
State Information Commissioner, Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab Punjab.

Dated: 21.6.2021 CC PS/SIC(PC)

Sh. MS Chhatwal, IAS Director, Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt.,Pb. Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62, Mohali

Sh. Vipul Ujwal, IAS
Director, Social Sec. Women & Child
Development Punjab,
Sector 34-A,
Chandigarh.

To look into the matter as the record pertaining to the RTI application(attached herewith) is missing

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