



Shakti Bhushan  
S/o Sh. Kewal Krishan,  
Street Bhani Sahib, Ward No. 8,  
Dhanaula, Distt. Barnala -148105 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Motor Vehicle Registration Department,  
O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3005 of 2019**

Present : Sh. Shakti Bhushan, 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 08.12.2018. First appeal is dated 11.03.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 19.08.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.08.2020, Sh. Sham Lal, Asstt.

Transport Officer-cum-PIO, appeared in person and sought an adjournment in this case. Accordingly, the respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request. An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not.

The appellant, Sh. Shakti Bhushan, who appeared in person in today's hearing, intimates the Commission that he has visited the office of the respondent and the concerned official has given him assurance that the required information would be supplied to him positively but as directed vide orders dated 19.08.2020, no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present during today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO, moreover the requisite 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 19.08.2020.

**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 Motor Vehicle Registration Department of office of Regional Transport Authority, Patiala, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

The PIO is 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 will 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.

Last opportunity is 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, by the next date of hearing positively.

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 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

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**Date : 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2020**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

**P. S. :**

Sh. Sham Lal, Asstt. Transport Officer, who appeared for the respondent, after the hearing was over. He was read out the above order.

The case stands **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

**Date : 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2020**

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S/o Sh. Kewal Krishan,  
Street Bhani Sahib, Ward No. 8,  
Dhanaula,  
Distt. Barnala -148105 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Motor Vehicle Registration Department,  
O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 1297 of 2019**

Present : Sh. Shakti Bhushan, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, Secretary-cum-PIO, in person.

#### **ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 08.11.2018. First appeal is dated 19.12.2018.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 03.04.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.08.2020, none was present for the respondent and another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the orders dated 18.12.2019 passed by the Commission by depositing the penalty amount of Rs. 5000/- in the Treasury of Punjab Government.

Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, Secretary-cum-PIO, who appeared in person, in today's hearing, states that complete information has already been supplied to the appellant.

The appellant, Sh. Shakti Bhushan, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has received the required information in the instant appeal case.

Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina also intimates the Commission that Sh. Gurcharan Singh Sandhu was PIO when the RTI application was moved by the appellant and retired from his service.

As far as information is concerned that has been supplied in this case. A copy of this order be sent to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh through registered post with the directions to deduct the penalty of Rs. 5,000/- (which

was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 18.12.2019) from the pension of Sh. Gurcharan Singh Sandhu (who is retired). He must give direction in this regard to the officer concerned, who deals with the payment of salaries/pension of employees. The compliance of this order be ensured under intimation to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

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**Date : 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2020**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

(Regd. Post)            The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

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Street Bhani Sahib, Ward No. 8,  
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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Motor Vehicle Registration Department,  
O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 1299 of 2019**

Present : Sh. Shakti Bhushan, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Rohit Sood, Junior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 08.11.2018. First appeal is dated 07.01.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 03.04.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.08.2020, Sh. Amardeep Singh, Clerk, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO and stated that through RTI request, the appellant demanded information only regarding registration of Swaraj Tractors alongwith sale bills for the period from 01.01.2014 to 31.10.2018 and personal details of the owners attached in the case-file, which is personal and 'third party' information. After going through the RTI request, it emerged that through the RTI request, the appellant demanded information regarding registration of Swaraj Tractors alongwith sale bills for the period from 01.01.2014 to 31.10.2018, which is not 'third party' information and the concerned respondent PIO was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request only (not of PAN Card, copies of Aadhar Card etc., which carry personal details) through registered post before the next date of hearing and send a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the appellant) on the next date of hearing. An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether received the required information or not with the advice to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The appellant, Sh. Shakti Bhushan, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the respondent PIO has provided him information in a pen-drive, which is not complete.

Sh. Rohit Sood, Junior Assistant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that remaining information, after collecting the same from the concerned branch i. e. Technical Branch, would be given to the appellant and seeks an adjournment in this case.

Last opportunity is given to the concerned respondent PIO to supply the certified copies of the remaining information (not of PAN Card, copies of Aadhar Card etc., which carry personal details) to the appellant by the next date of hearing and send a copy of the same to the Commission, failing which action would be initiated against him under the provisions of the RTI Act.

The case is **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

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....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Motor Vehicle Registration Department,  
O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Faridkot (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 1304 of 2019**

Present : Sh. Shakti Bhushan, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Clerk, on behalf of the respondent

#### **ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 08.11.2018. First appeal is dated 07.01.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 03.04.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.08.2020, the penalty amount of Rs. 5000/- (which was imposed vide order dated 04.12.2019) was enhanced by Rs. 5000/- (i. e. Rs. 5000/- to Rs.10000/- ) and the PIO was directed to deposit penalty amount of Rs. 10,000/- in the Treasury of Punjab Government.

Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Clerk, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO, in today's hearing, states that complete information has already been supplied to the appellant through an e-mail.

The appellant, Sh. Shakti Bhushan, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has not received the required information in the instant appeal case.

The respondent PIO has also not sent any document i. e. any letter, mail or copy of supplied information or postal receipt, which shows that the required information has been supplied to the appellant.

Accordingly, the respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of the supplied information to the appellant in a pen-drive and also send a copy of the information (which has been given to the appellant) through mail to the Commission by the next date of hearing positively.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing, failing which the case would be decided on merits.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the respondent PIO concerned has not complied with the orders dated 19.08.2020 passed by the Commission, through which a penalty of Rs. 10,000/- was imposed upon the concerned PIO of office of Motor Vehicle Registration Department, Faridkot, in the above mentioned case.

Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Clerk, intimates the Commission that penalty amount of Rs. 10,000/- could not be paid as the PIO was suspended on 23.08.2020 and afterwards till date, no Public Information Officer is designated in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot

As per Sanjeev Kumar, Clerk, Sh. Gurnam Singh was PIO when penalty was imposed and is presently posted as Assistant Transport Officer in the office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Accordingly, a copy of this order be sent to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh through registered post with the directions to ensure compliance of the order dated 19.08.2020 by deducting the penalty of Rs. 10,000/- (which was imposed upon the concerned PIO vide orders dated 19.08.2020) from the salary of Sh. Gurnam Singh. He must give direction in this regard to the officer concerned, who deals with the payment of salaries of employees. The compliance of this order be ensured under intimation to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

As there should be a Public Information Officer in every department and for the period from 23.08.2020 till date, no official is posted/designated as Public Information Officer in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot as stated by Sh. Sanjeev Kumar today. **It shows gross negligence or violation of RTI Act, 2005 by the concerned officials of office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot, hence, further directions are given to State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh to intimate that who is posted/designated as PIO in the office of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot, by the next date of hearing.**



**A copy of this order alongwith orders dated 19.08.2020 be sent through registered post to Principal Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of Transport with the advice to intervene into the matter for making functionaries of Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot more sensitive and responsible towards the implementation of the RTI Act and also to ensure compliance of the order dated 19.08.2020 passed by the Commission regarding penalty, which was imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot and to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellatant by the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission.**

**A copy of this order alongwith orders dated 19.08.2020 also be sent through registered post to Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab with the advice to take necessary steps to make the officials concerned more sensitive towards the implementation of the RTI Act to bring transparency in the functioning of public authority concerned.**

The case is **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

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**Date : 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2020**

**Encl :**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

**(Regd. Post)**

**Encl : orders dated 19.08.2020**

i) The Chief Secretary  
to Government of Punjab,  
Pb. Civil Sectt., Sector – 9,  
Chandigarh

**(Regd. Post)**

**Encl : orders dated 19.08.2020**

ii) The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab,  
Department of Transport.,  
Pb. Mini Sectt., Sector – 9,  
Chandigarh

**(Regd. Post)**

**Encl : orders dated 19.08.2020**

iii) The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

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Nakul Kakkar,  
H. No. 24, Bank Colony,  
Ferozepur City(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer  
O/o The Executive Engineer,  
P. W. D. (B & R), Provincial Block No. – 1,  
Block- C, Patiala(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Superintending Engineer,  
P. W. D. (B & R),  
Provincial Division – 1, Patiala(Punjab)

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 678 of 2020**

Present : Sh. Inder Mohan on behalf of the appellant.  
None on behalf of the respondent.

**ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 22.07.2019. First appeal is dated 03.09.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 06.02.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.08.2020, Sh. Surinder Singh, Divisional Accounts Officer, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO and stated that the information sought for by the appellant through RTI request is 'personal information'. After hearing the parties concerned and examining the RTI request placed In the case-file, it emerged that the information sought by the appellant at point no. 01, 02 03 and 04 of the RTI request is not 'personal' and only information sought at point no. 05 is personal information'. Accordingly, the respondent PIO was directed to supply the required information at point no. 01, 02 03 and 04 of the RTI request and information at point no. 05 need not be supplied as it is 'personal information' in nature.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 6075 dated 19.08.2020 signed by Executive Engineer, Provincial Division No. – 1 (B & R), Block- C, Patiala, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 11055 dated 02.09.2020, has intimated the Commission that a point-wise reply has already been sent to the appellant through registered post . It is taken on record.

Sh. Inder Mohan, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Nakul Kakkar, in today's hearing, intimates the Commission that he has not received the above-mentioned reply (vide letter no. 6075 dated 19.08.2020) from the respondent.

The concerned respondent PIO is directed to send the above-mentioned reply given vide letter no. 6075 dated 19.08.2020 again to the appellant through registered post at his residential address and send a copy of the postal receipt to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the above-mentioned reply or not, by the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

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State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

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Ms. Inderjit Kaur  
W/o Sh. Gurmej Singh,  
Village - Jahidpur,  
P. O. – Jaito Sarja,  
Tehsil – Batala,  
Distt. – Gurdaspur - 143505 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Tehsildar,  
Batala, Distt. – Gurdaspur (Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer  
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,  
Gurdaspur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Deputy Commissioner,  
Gurdaspur (Punjab)

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 326 of 2020**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Mohinder Partap, Sadar Kanungo O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Gurdaspur, for the respondent.

**ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 30.10.2019. First appeal is dated 02.12.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.01.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.08.2020, Sh. Baljinder Singh, Tehsildar, stated that the information sought by the appellant through RTI request, relates with office of Sadar Kanungo, Gurdaspur, hence, PIO of office of Sadar Kanungo, Gurdaspur, was impleaded as necessary party in this case and was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information, whichever query/queries relate to his/her office, to the appellant as per queries raised by him through his RTI request through registered post at his residential address with a copy to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information with the advice 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.

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Sh. Mohinder Partap, Sadar Kanungo office of Deputy Commissioner, Gurdaspur, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant through registered post.

The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 36 dated 24.08.2020 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Tehsildar, Batala, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 10904 dated 01.09.2020, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant through registered post vide letter no. 131 dated 18.11.2019, appended to which is a copy of supplied information i. e. copy of "Kursinama". It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

The appellant, Ms. Inderjit Kaur , is not present in today's hearing to clear the fact whether she has received the information or not.

The respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of the information (which has been given to the appellant) with a copy of the postal/acknowledgment receipt to the Commission by the next date of hearing positively.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether she has received the information and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to her, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing, failing which the case would be decided on merits.

The case is **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

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**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

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Joginder Singh  
S/o Sh. Dayal Singh,  
H. No. B-IV/922,  
Old Radha Swami street,  
Barnala - 148101(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer  
O/o The Managing Director,  
Pb. State Warehousing Corporation,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Managing Director,  
Pb. State Warehousing Corporation,  
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 700 of 2020**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Ms. Taranjit Bajwa, Warehouse Manager-cum-PIO, in person.

**ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 25.11.2019. First appeal is dated 11.01.2020.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.02.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 19.08.2020, Sh. Taranjit Bajwa, Warehouse Manager, stated that through RTI request, the appellant has demanded personal and 'third party' information. After going through the RTI request, it emerged that the information sought for by the appellant through the RTI request, is not 'third party' information and the concerned respondent PIO was directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request through registered post. An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the required information with the advice to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Ms. Taranjit Bajwa, Warehouse Manager-cum-PIO, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant through registered post.

The appellant, Sh. Joginder Singh, is not present in today's hearing to clear the fact whether he has received the information or not.

The respondent PIO has also not sent any document i. e. any letter or copy of supplied information or postal receipt, which shows that the required information has been supplied to the appellant through registered post.

Accordingly, the respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of the supplied information (which has been given to the appellant) with a copy of the postal/acknowledgment receipt to the Commission by the next date of hearing positively.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing, failing which the case would be decided on merits.

The case is **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

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Jaspal Singh S/o Sh. Surjit Singh,  
House No. 157, Street No. 8-A,  
Manjit Nagar, Bhadson Road, Patiala(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Managing Director,  
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation (P.R.T.C.),  
Nabha Road, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Managing Director,  
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation (P.R.T.C.),  
Nabha Road, Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 2611 of 2019**

Present : Sh. Jaspal Singh, the appellant in person.  
i) Sh. Amanveer Singh Tiwana, PIO-cum-Traffic Manager, in person ;  
ii) Sh. Narender Kumar, Senior Assistant-cum-APIO, for the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 10.04.2019. First appeal is dated 27.05.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.07.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 17.09.2020, Sh. Amanveer Singh Tiwana, PIO-cum-Traffic Manager, appeared with Sh. Narender Kumar, Sr. Assistant and stated that the concerned officials of various depots were available on the fixed dates (i. e. 14.07.2020, 21.07.2020, 28.07.2020 and 04.08.2020) as directed vide orders dated 07.07.2020 but the appellant had not visited the office to inspect the official record to identify the information. The appellant also intimated that he could not visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the official record and requested the Commission to give directions to the respondent PIO to give a reply, to the queries raised by him through RTI request, in an affidavit. Accordingly, the respondent-PIO was directed to send a proper point-wise reply to the queries raised by the appellant through RTI request in an affidavit to the Commission and also send the same to the appellant through registered post within three weeks from that day.

Sh. Amanveer Singh Tiwana, PIO-cum-Traffic Manager, who appeared in person with Sh. Narender Kumar, Sr. Assistant-cum-APIO, in today's hearing, states that in compliance to the order dated 17.09.2020, a point-wise reply dated 07.10.2020 in an affidavit has been sent to the Commission vide letter dated 09.10.2020 and also send the same to the appellant vide letter no. 3828 dated 09.10.2020 through registered post. It, alongwith copy of an affidavit dated 07.10.2020 with a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.



The appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, expresses his dissatisfaction over the reply sent by the respondent.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record of Head Office and also of various Depots on 19.11.2020 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information. The appellant is also advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 19.11.2020 at 11:00 A. M to identify the information.

Both the parties mutually agreed to it during the hearing today.

Sh. Amanveer Singh Tiwana, PIO-cum-Traffic Manager, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection to him, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

If the appellant would not visit the office of the respondent PIO on the fixed date i. e. 19.11.2020 to inspect the relevant official record, the case would be decided on merits.

With this, the case is **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

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Jaspal Singh S/o Sh. Surjit Singh,  
House No. 157, Street No. 8-A,  
Manjit Nagar, Bhadson Road, Patiala(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Managing Director,  
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation (P.R.T.C.),  
Nabha Road, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Managing Director,  
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation (P.R.T.C.),  
Nabha Road, Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 2612 of 2019**

Present : Sh. Jaspal Singh, the appellant in person.  
i) Sh. Amanveer Singh Tiwana, PIO-cum-Traffic Manager, in person ;  
ii) Sh. Narender Kumar, Senior Assistant-cum-APIO, for the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

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

The RTI request is dated 02.04.2019. First appeal is dated 27.05.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.07.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 17.09.2020, Sh. Amanveer Singh Tiwana, PIO-cum-Traffic Manager, appeared with Sh. Narender Kumar, Sr. Assistant and stated that the concerned officials of various depots were available on the fixed dates (i. e. 14.07.2020, 21.07.2020, 28.07.2020 and 04.08.2020) as directed vide orders dated 07.07.2020 but the appellant had not visited the office to inspect the official record to identify the information. The appellant also intimated that he could not visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the official record and requested the Commission to give directions to the respondent PIO to give a reply, to the queries raised by him through RTI request, in an affidavit. Accordingly, the respondent-PIO was directed to send a proper point-wise reply to the queries raised by the appellant through RTI request in an affidavit to the Commission and also send the same to the appellant though registered post within three weeks from that day.

Sh. Amanveer Singh Tiwana, PIO-cum-Traffic Manager, who appeared in person with Sh. Narender Kumar, Sr. Assistant-cum-APIO, in today's hearing, states that in compliance to the order dated 17.09.2020, a point-wise reply dated 07.10.2020 in an affidavit has been sent to the Commission vide letter dated 09.10.2020 and also send the same to the appellant vide letter no. 3828 dated 09.10.2020 through registered post. It, alongwith copy of an affidavit dated 07.10.2020 with a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Jaspal Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, expresses his dissatisfaction over the reply sent by the respondent.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record of Head Office and also of various Depots on 24.11.2020 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information. The appellant is also advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 24.11.2020 at 11:00 A. M to identify the information.

Both the parties mutually agreed to it during the hearing today.

Sh. Amanveer Singh Tiwana, PIO-cum-Traffic Manager, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection to him, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

If the appellant would not visit the office of the respondent PIO on the fixed date i. e. 24.11.2020 to inspect the relevant official record, the case would be decided on merits.

With this, the case is **adjourned to 18<sup>th</sup> January, 2021 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

**Date : 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2020**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

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