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Shri Harkewal Singh, S/o Sh. Gurdial Singh, VPO Meherna Kalan, Distt. Ludhiana.

Versus

--Complainant

Public Information Officer O/o Incharge Police Post, Village Lohat, Baddi, Distt. Ludhiana.

Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 803 of 2021

**Present:-** Shri Harkewal Singh, complainant/applicant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Incharge Police Post, Village Lohat,

Baddi, Distt. Ludhiana.

ORDER

Dated: 21.10.2021

Shri Harkewal Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 22.03.2021 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Incharge Police Post, Village Lohat, Baddi, Distt. Ludhiana. When no information was provided to her by the SPIO, then she filed complaint against the SPIO before the Punjab State Information Commission on 22.06.2021. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software.** 

Both the parties are absent today and neither they have sent any mail to the Commission.

So, the present complaint case is adjourned with the direction to the SPIO, O/o Incharge, Police Post, Village Lohat, Baddi, Distt. Ludhiana that he should file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant/applicant and send the same to the Commission as well as to the complainant/applicant within 10 days. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 17.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

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Shri Harjit Singh, S/o Late Shri Surjit Singh, VPO Jhuner, Tehsil Ahmedgarh, Distt. Sangrur.

..... Appellant

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Public Information Officer, O/o Distt. Development and Panchayat Officer, Distt. Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/ Distt. Development and Panchayat Officer,
Sangrur.

.....Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 1589 of 2021

Present:-

Advocate Harinder Pal Singh is present on behalf of Shri Harjit Singh, appellant. Ms. Rimpy Garg, Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Malerkotla is present.

ORDER

Dated: 21.10.2021

Shri Harjit Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 26.11.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Distt. Development and Panchayat Officer, Distt.Sangrur.

### Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Advocate Harinder Pal Singh is present on behalf of Shri Harjit Singh, appellant and Ms. Rimpy Garg, Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Malerkotla is also present.

The respondent stated that the information had already been provided to the appellant by hand on 03.08.2021.

On the other hand the counsel of the appellant stated that the sought for information has yet not been provided to the appellant by the respondent SPIO.

I have gone through the RTI application dated 26.11.2020 and also discussed about the sought for information with both the parties.

So, the SPIO is directed that the attested copies of sought for information be provided to the appellant within a week and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission for compliance. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a Show Cause Notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized upto Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 09.11.2021 at 11:30 A.M.

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Shri Pal Singh, S/o Shri Sardara Singh, R/o Village Katli, Tehsil & Distt. Roopnagar.

......Appellant.

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/ o BDPO, Roopnagar.

First Appellate Authority:

O/o DDPO,

Roopnagar. ......Respondent

### Appeal Case No. 2389 of 2021

**Present:-** Shri Pal Singh, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the SPIO-cum-BDPO, Roopnagar.

ORDER

Dated: 21.10.2021

Shri Pal Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 22.10.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Roopangar.

#### Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas none has come present on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the respondent till date.

The respondent though is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission, which is a copy of letter dated 21.10.2021 along with a copy of letter no.SPL-1 dated 14.09.2021, photocopy of registered envelope and the photocopies of remarks made by the postman.

I have gone through letter dated 21.10.2021 and it is submitted by Shri Sunil Kumar, Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Katli that the sought for information has been sent to the appellant through registered post on 14.09.2021 and again on 29.09.2021 vide letter no.SPL-1 dated 14.09.2021, but the registered letters received back undelivered with the remark by the postman "Addressee absent".

Under these circumstances, the respondent PIO is directed that the attested copies of sought for information be provided to the appellant within a week either by hand or sent through registered post and compliance be sent to the Commission. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice will be issued to Shri Sunil, Kumar, Panchayat Secretary on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on 18.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783).

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Shri Avtar Singh, S/o Shri Bikkar Singh, R/o Village Kokri, Phulla Singh, Tehsil & Distt., Moga.

Vs

..... Complainant

Public Information Officer, O/o SSP (Rural),Ludhiana.

...Respondent

# Complaint Case No. 333 of 2021

Present:- Advo

Dated: 21.10.2021

Advocate Nitin Mattu is present on behalf of Shri Avtar Singh, complainant/

Applicant.

ASI Balvir Chand is present on behalf of the SPIO.

ORDER

Shri Avtar Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 18.07.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o SSP (Rural), Ludhiana.

#### Today the case is heard through CISCO WEBEX SOFTWARE.

Advocate Nitin Mattu is present on behalf of the complainant-applicant and ASI Balvir Chand is present on behalf of the SPIO.

The counsel of the applicant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to the applicant by the SPIO till date.

The respondent stated that the record regarding the information sought by the applicant is not traceable in the record of the Police Station, City Jagraon.

So, the SPIO is directed to trace out the sought for information and to provide the same to the complainant-applicant within 15 days and in case the sought for information is not traceable or available in the record of the public authority, then the SPIO should submit a duly attested affidavit in two sets by submitting that the information sought by the applicant is not traceable or available in the record of the public authority and send one affidavit to the Commission and other to the applicant within 15 days. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 18.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

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Shri Kesar Singh, S/o Shri Bachan Singh, R/o Village Badguiran,

Tehsil Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.



.....Appellant.

Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority, O/o BDPO, Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Respondent

### Appeal Case No. 4030 of 2020

Present:-Shri Kesar Singh, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Amloh.

ORDER

Shri Kesar Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 17.07.2020 before the BDPO, Amloh (Fatehgarh Sahib). The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to Shri Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh vide letter no.2909 dated 22.07.2020.

## Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 08.09.2021 and on that date Shri Balkar Singh, Superintendent was present and he stated that the information sought by the appellant is ready, so the PIO was directed to send the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- to the appellant by way of demand draft through registered post within 3 days along with the attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. Shri Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh was also directed to file reply to the Show Cause Notice.

But today the respondent PIO is absent and neither he has sent any compliance report to the Commission regarding sending the information and compensation to the appellant nor he has sent any reply to the Show Cause Notice.

So, a last and final opportunity is granted to the PIO that the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- from the funds of public authority be sent to the appellant by way of demand draft through registered post within 10 days along with the attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly.

A last and final opportunity is granted to Shri Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh to file reply to the Show Cause Notice in writing and send the same to the Commission within 15 days and an opportunity of

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personal hearing will be afforded to him on the Show Cause Notice. In case he would not file reply to the Show Cause Notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defence and the Show Cause Notice will be decided on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 16.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Dated: 21.10.2021

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Shri Kesar Singh, S/o Shri Bachan Singh, R/o Village Badguiran,

Tehsil Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

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Public Information Officer, O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority, O/o BDPO, Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Respondent

.....Appellant.

### Appeal Case No. 4029 of 2020

Present:-Shri Kesar Singh, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Amloh.

ORDER

Shri Kesar Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 28.07.2020 before the BDPO, Amloh (Fatehgarh Sahib). The RTI application was transferred U/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to Shri Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh.

# Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 08.09.2021 and on that date Shri Balkar Singh, Superintendent was present and he stated that the information sought by the appellant is ready, so the PIO was directed to send the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- to the appellant by way of demand draft through registered post within 3 days along with the attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. Shri Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh was also directed to file reply to the Show Cause Notice.

But today the respondent PIO is absent and neither he has sent any compliance report to the Commission regarding sending the information and compensation to the appellant nor he has sent any reply to the Show Cause Notice.

So, a last and final opportunity is granted to the PIO that the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- from the funds of public authority be sent to the appellant by way of demand draft through registered post within 10 days along with the attested copies of sought for information and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly.

A last and final opportunity is granted to Shri Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Tura, Block Amloh to file reply to the Show Cause Notice in writing and send the same to the Commission within 15 days and an opportunity of

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Appeal Case No. 4029 of 2020

personal hearing will be afforded to him on the Show Cause Notice. In case he would not file reply to the Show Cause Notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defence and the Show Cause Notice will be decided on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 16.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Dated: 21.10.2021

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Smt. Kiran Sharma, W/o Late Shri Jagdish Sharma, Street No. 42, Preet Nagar, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana.



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Public Information Officer, O/o SHO, Police Station, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

..... Appellant

### Appeal Case No. 2421 of 2020

Present:- Shri Sushil Kumar is present on behalf of Smt. Kiran Sharma, appellant.

ASI Jarnail Singh-1518/LDH is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o SHO, Police

Station, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana.

ORDER

Dated: 21.10.2021

Smt. Kiran Sharma, appellant filed RTI application dated 26.12.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o SHO, Police Station, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana.

## Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Shri Sushil Kumar is present on behalf of Smt. Kiran Sharma, appellant and ASI Jarnail Singh-1518/LDH is present on behalf of the SPIO.

The representative of the appellant stated that no information has been provided to the appellant by the SPIO.

ASI Jarnail Singh who is present on behalf of the SPIO stated that the information sought by the appellant has already been sent to the appellant.

Under these circumstances, the respondent is directed to come personally present along with the relevant record in the Commission on the next date of hearing. The appellant is also directed to come personally present.

Both the parties should personally come present in the Commission on the next date of hearing i.e. **27.10.2021 at 11:00 A.M.** 

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Shri Subhash Dahuja, Advocate, Chamber No. 16, New Distt. Court Complex, Fazilka.

.....Appellant.

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Public Information Officer, O/ o Education Secretary, Punjab School Education Board, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority:
O/o Education Secretary,
Punjab School Education Board, Mohali.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2381 of 2021

Present:- Shri Subhash Dahuja, Advocate, appellant is present.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Education Secretary, Punjab School

Education Board, Mohali.

ORDER

Dated: 21.10.2021

Shri Subhash Dahuja, Advocate, appellant filed RTI application dated 01.12.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Education Secretary, Punjab School Education Board, Mohali.

The appellant is personally present today, whereas none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that no information has been provided to him by the SPIO.

I have gone through the Order dated 22.09.2021 and the appellant was present on that date, whereas the respondent was absent. The SPIO was directed that in case an officer who is going under inquiry is authorized to conduct inquiry of another complainant, if yes, then provide the attested copy of policy/guidelines to the appellant. It was further directed that Sh. Pawan Kumar, Ex-DEO, Fazilka and Sh. Brij Mohan Bedi, Deputy DEO, Fazilka whether conducted any inquiry for the period 2017 to 2020 and if during that period they were under charge sheet then the report of inquiries conducted by them be sent to the appellant.

But the respondent SPIO is absent today and neither he has complied with the order of the Commission as the appellant stated that no information has been sent to him.

So, the SPIO is directed that in case an officer who is going under inquiry is authorized to conduct inquiry of another complainant, if yes, then provide the attested copy of policy/guidelines to the appellant. The SPIO is further directed that Sh. Pawan Kumar, Ex-DEO, Fazilka and Sh. Brij Mohan Bedi, Deputy DEO, Fazilka whether conducted any inquiry for the period 2017 to 2020 and if during that period they were under charge sheet then the report of inquiries conducted by them be sent to the appellant. In case of non compliance of the order of the Commission a show cause notice U/s 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs. 25,000/-.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 17.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

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Shri Surjit Singh, R/o Mai Godri Sahib, R.O. Street, Faridkot.



......Complainant

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Public Information Officer, O/o DPI (SE), Punjab, Mohali.

.....Respondent

### Complaint Case No. 18 of 2021

**Present:-** Shri Surjit Singh, complainant/applicant is absent.

None present on behalf of Shri Gurjit Singh, SPIO-cum-Asstt. Registrar, O/o DPI

(SE), Punjab, Mohali.

ORDER

Dated: 21.10.2021

Shri Surjit Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 01.06.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o DPI (SE), Punjab, Mohali.

**Today the case is heard CISCO Webex Meetings Software.** 

Both the parties are absent today.

The SPIO though is absent today, but he has sent an e-mail to the Commission, which is a copy of letter no. 2021348466-467 dated 19.10.2021 vide which the SPIO has sent reply to the applicant.

I have gone through the said letter and it is replied by the SPIO that the information sought by the applicant is 16 years old, but even then the related file was searched out but the same could not find out in the record of the public authority.

Under these circumstances the SPIO is directed that in case the information sought by the applicant is not available in the office of the public authority, then the SPIO should submit a duly attested affidavit in two sets that the information sought by the applicant is not available in the office of public authority and send one affidavit to the Commission and other to the applicant through registered post within 5 days.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 02.11.2021 at 11:30 A.M.

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Shri Jagtar Singh, S/o Shri Sampooran Singh, Village Naraina, P.O. Bhagrana,

Block Khera, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.



..... Appellant

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Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Block Khera, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Distt. Development & Panchayat Officer, Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Respondent

#### Appeal Case No. 1660 of 2021

**Present:-** Shri Jagtar Singh, appellant is absent.

None present on behalf of Shri Mahinder Singh, SPIO-cum-Block Development &

Panchayat Officer, Block Khera, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

ORDER

Dated: 21.10.2021

Shri Jagtar Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 19.10.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer, Block Khera, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 30.09.2021 and a compensation of Rs.2,000/- was awarded in favour of the appellant and the SPIO was directed to provide the amount of compensation to the appellant from the funds of public authority by way of demand along with attested copies of information within 10 days and to send compliance to the Commission accordingly.

But the SPIO is absent today and neither he has sent any compliance report to the Commission regarding providing the information and compensation to the appellant.

So, the SPIO is directed that the amount of compensation of Rs.2,000/- from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft be paid to the appellant within 10 days along with attested copies of information and compliance be sent to the Commission. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing and he will be penalized up to Rs.25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 17.11.2021 at 11:00 A.M.

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Shri Raj Kumar, S/o Shri Hans Raj, Ward No. 9, Near Police Station Ghagga, Tehsil Patran, Distt. Patiala.



..... Complainant

Public Information Officer. O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Patran, Distt. Patiala.

.....Respondent

#### Complaint Case No. 890 of 2020

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Present:-

Shri Raj Kumar, complainant/applicant is absent.

None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o BDPO, Patran, Distt. Patiala.

ORDER

Dated: 21.10.2021

Shri Raj Kumar, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 18.06.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Patran, Distt. Patiala regarding Gram Panchayat, Daftariwala.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 21.09.2021 and both the parties were present on that date. The respondent stated that attested copies of about 600 pages of information have been provided to the applicant today morning. So, the applicant was directed to go through the information provided by the respondent and in case of any deficiencies, that should be brought to notice of the SPIO in writing within 3 days and the SPIO was further directed that in case the applicant would submit the deficiencies, then the attested copies of information regarding the deficiencies be provided to the applicant within 5 days from the receipt of deficiencies and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. The SPIO was further directed to send reply to the Show Cause Notice.

But both the parties are absent today and neither they have sent any mail to the Commission.

So, a last and final opportunity is granted to the SPIO to file reply to the show cause notice through duly attested affidavit and be sent to the Commission within 3 days and an opportunity of personal hearing will be afforded to him on the show cause notice. In case he would not file reply to the show cause notice then it will be assumed that he do not want to say anything in his defense and the show cause notice will be decided on the basis of papers available in the file and he will be penalized up to Rs. 25,000/-, which will be deducted from his salary.

Both the parties should connect through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 1582695783) on the next date of hearing i.e. 02.11.2021 at 11:30 A.M.