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Sh. Lajpat Rai, S/o sh Harbans Lal, H No-B-3/287, Romana Street, Jaito, Distt Faridkot.

... Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o DC, Faridkot.

First Appellate Authority, O/o DC, Faridkot.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 781 of 2021

PRESENT: Sh.Lajpat Rai as the Appellant Mrs.Gurdeep Kaur, Sr.Assistant for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 12.10.2020 has sought information on 4 points regarding copies of letters DC office No.479 dt.17.07.2020, 563 dt.31.07.2020 and dated 01.08.2020 along with the action taken report – enquiry report on the complaint dated 16.09.2020, 19.09.2020, 23.09.2020 against Gurdeep Singh, Davinder Kumar, Naib Singh and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of DC Faridkot. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 25.11.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

Versus

The case first came up for hearing on 14.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. As per the respondent, the appellant was asked to specify the information that he had sought but the appellant did not specify and the information was not provided.

The appellant was directed to specify the information.

The PIO was directed to provide the information to the appellant and send a compliance report to the Commission.

On the dated of the last hearing on **18.11.2021**, due to a technical problem in the VC at DAC Faridkot, the hearing could not take place.

Hearing dated 22.03.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant.

As per the appellant, the information is incomplete.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the following is concluded:

-	Point-1 & 4 Point-2	-	Provided The respondent informed that the enquiry has been completed and assured to provide the enquiry report to the appellant. The PIO is directed to provide information.
-	Point-3	-	As per the respondent, application No.466 is in the name of Sh.Bhola Singh and not in the name of the appellant. The PIO is directed to relook and provide information and if not available, to give in writing.

With the above order, the case is **disposed of and closed**.

Chandigarh Dated : 22.03.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Sector 16, Chandigarh. Ph: 0172-2864114, Email: - psicsic30@punjabmail.gov.in Visit us: - www.infocommpunjab.com

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Sh Jasbir Singh, Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bolapur, Jhabewal, P.O Ramgarh, Distt Ludhiana.

Versus

... Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Deptt,Pb Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Deptt,Pb Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 918 of 2021

PRESENT: None for the Appellant Sh.Harvinder Singh, Sr.Assistant for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through an RTI application dated 12.10.2020 has sought information regarding action taken on the news item published on 14.07.2020 & 15.07.2020 in Dainik Jagran regarding the suspension of DHO Ramesh Maheshwari for demanding of Rs.200/- per month from the shopkeepers and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Pb Chandigarh. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 19.11.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 14.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. Both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

On the date of the last hearing on 18.11.2021, the appellant was absent and vide email has informed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent on 2nd consecutive hearing nor had provided the information. There has been an enormous delay of more than one year in attending to the RTI application. The PIO was issued a **show-cause notice under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file a reply on an affidavit.** The PIO was again directed to provide complete information to the appellant within 10 days of the receipt of the order.

Hearing dated 22.03.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana/Chandigarh. The respondent present pleaded that the information relates to FIR No.121 dated 15.07.2020 filed in police station Bathinda and since the matter is pending in the Hon'ble Court, the information cannot be provided under section 8(G) of the RTI Act. The respondent further informed that the RTI application of the appellant was received by them on 19.11.2020 and the reply was sent to the appellant vide letter dated 23.12.2020. Thereafter, the appellant filed the first appeal. However, no decision could be taken on the first appeal of the appellant since there was no designated First Appellate Authority at that time. Now Smt.Navneet Saluja, Under-Secretary has been designated as First Appellate Authority as per office order dated 17.12.2021.

The appellant is absent on 3rd consecutive hearing and has been communicating through emails, but without appearing on three consecutive hearings. The Commission is of the view that if the appellant was interested in following the case, the appellant would have appeared for the hearings to pursue the case. The appellant cannot expect the commission to do the job that the appellant is expected to perform. The commission cannot keep sifting through the emails, whereas three opportunities have been provided to the appellant to plead the case

Moreover, RTI application was replied to in time, and the dispute was about the information provided

The case is disposed of and closed on grounds of non-pursuance.

Chandigarh Dated : 22.03.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission

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Sh. Harmesh Lal S/o Sh Chaman Lal, R/o Village Jandu Singha, P.S Adampur, Tehsil & Distt Jalandhar-2

Versus

... Complainant

Public Information Officer,

O/o DIG, Ferozepur Range, Ferozepur Cantt.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 200 of 2020

PRESENT: None for the Complainant Sh.Major Singh, SI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The complainant through RTI application dated 15.10.2020 has sought information regarding (1) order No.1 Deputy Inspector dated 20.01.2002 relating to ACR ; (2)order No.2 - 613-18/ST dated 04.03.2020 from SSP Moga (3) appeal AS Harmesh Lal No.90/FRT Distt.Moga dated 18.03.2002 - action is taken report and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of DIG, Ferozepur Cantt. The complainant was not provided with the information after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 15.02.2021.

The case first came up for hearing on 11.05.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Fazilka. The respondent informed that the available information concerning their respective office has already been provided to the complainant and the remaining information relates to the office of Director General of Police, Pb Chandigarh. The Commission has also received a copy of a letter dated 23.03.2021 from the PIO whereby the PIO had sent a reply to the complainant.

In the said letter, the PIO had mentioned that the information relating to points 3, 7, 8 &9 relates to the office of DGP, Pb- Chandigarh and the appellant may get the information from the office of DGP. However, the PIO had not transferred the RTI application to the office of DGP u/s 6(3) of the RTI Act, which should have been done.

The PIO-DGP, Punjab, Chandigarh was impleaded in the case and directed to provide the information on the remaining points, as per the provisions of the RTI Act. (a copy of which was sent along with the order)

On the date of the next hearing on **18.08.2021**, the order dated 11.05.2021 sent to the PIO-DGP, Pb Chandigarh was received back with the remarks of postal authority "incomplete address".

A copy of the order along with a copy of the RTI application was sent again to the PIO-DGP- Punjab, Sector 9, Chandigarh with the direction to look at the RTI application and provide information to the appellant concerning the office of the DGP, Punjab.

On the date of the last hearing on **11.11.2021**, the appellant informed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

As per the respondent, the information related to the office of DGP, Pb Chandigarh.

The respondent PIO from the DGP office was absent.

The case was marked to the DGP, Punjab to ensure its reconciliation.

Hearing dated 22.03.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Fazilka/ Chandigarh.

The respondent present informed that the appellant has expired on 16.12.2021. The Commission has received a copy of a letter dated 04.02.2022 of Dy Inspector General of Policecum-First Appellate Authority, Ferozepur Range Ferozepur addressed to Director General of Police, Pb Chandigarh stating therein that Inspector Harmesh Lal No.11/FR has expired on 16.12.2021.

Since the appellant has expired, the **case is closed**.

Chandigarh Dated 22.03.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

CC to PIO-Director General of Police,Pb Sector 9, Chandigarh.