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Sh. Satish Kumar Bhiri, (9417612036)

Advocate, Ward No 10, Near Nehru Park, Jaito, Distt Faridkot.

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o EO, Nagar Council, Morinda.

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC (Urban Development), Roopnagar.

Appeal Case No.4380 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	14-07-2021
PIO replied on	:	-
First appeal filed on	:	12-08-2021
First Appellate Authority order	:	-

Present: Appellant: Sh. Satish Kumar Bhiri Respondent: Sh. Ashok Pathria, (XEN) 9988016700

ORDER (First Hearing):

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 28.09.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- Written Submission Respondent: A correspondence dated 29.12.2021 vide diary no.
 28904 is received by the Commission, the relevant portions reproduced below:
 - 1. ਸ਼੍ਰੀਮਤੀ ਰਜਨੀ ਬਾਲਾ ਦੀ ਬਦਲੀ ਨਗਰ ਕੈਂਸਲ ਮੋਰਿੰਡਾ ਤੋਂ ਹੋ ਜਾਣ ਕਾਰਨ ਇਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦਾ ਨਿਯੁਕਤੀ ਪੱਤਰ

ਸਮੇਤ ਪਰਸਨਲ ਅਸਲ ਫਾਈਲ ਨਗਰ ਕੇਂਸਲ ਖਰੜ੍ਹ ਵਿਖੇ ਭੇਜ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ।

2. ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਪੂਰੇ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਦੀ ਜਾਂਚ-ਪੜਤਾਲ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਹੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੇ ਪੱਧਰ

ਤੇ ਹੀ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਹੈ।

- ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਨਗਰ ਕੈਂਸਲ ਪਾਸ ਉਪਲਬਧ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੈ।
- 3. The appellant referred to his RTI application dated 14.07.2021 and stated that complete and correct information was not provided to him by the respondent.
- 4. The respondent stated that they had forwarded the application of the appellant to the concerned departments for further action in the matter.
- 5. The Commission is of the view that the PIO is legally obliged to give the appellant the sought for information/reply after collecting the same from the concerned departments, instead of merely forwarding it to the concerned officer.
- To come up on 27.06.2022 through Cisco Webex at 11:00 am.
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Chandigarh Dated: 22.03.2022 (Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Pb.

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Sh. Jasbir Singh, (9888296107)

Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bolapur, Jhabewal, Post Office Ramgarh, District Ludhiana - 141123 Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Sri Khadoor Sahib, Distt Tarn Taran.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Sri Khadoor Sahib, Distt Tarn Taran.

Appeal Case No.4434 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	20-07-2021
PIO replied on	:	-
First appeal filed on	:	12-08-2021
First Appellate Authority order	:	-

Present: Appellant: Sh. Jasbir Singh Respondent: Absent

ORDER (First Hearing):

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 30.09.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- 2. Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh stated that information sought was not furnished by the PIO on the grounds that the sought information is third party information.
- 3. After hearing the appellant and going through the RTI application **the PIO is directed to provide information only related to the number of applicants** and for the remaining part of the application the Commission agrees with the contention of the PIO that such information is purely in the nature of personal information and no larger public interest has been shown.
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Sh. Jasbir Singh, (9888296107)

Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bolapur, Jhabewal, Post Office Ramgarh, District Ludhiana - 141123 Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Payal Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Add. Deputy Commissioner (D), Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No.4535 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	28-11-2020
PIO replied on	:	-
First appeal filed on	:	28-12-2020
First Appellate Authority order	:	-

Present: Appellant: Sh. Jasbir Singh Respondent: Sh. Harwinder Singh (Steno/typist), 9115656957

ORDER (First Hearing):

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 04.10.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- 2. Both the parties are present for hearing. Respondent, Sh. Harwinder Singh stated that sought information cannot be furnished as it has been asked in question form.
- 3. Keeping in view the facts of the case and perusal of the case file the Commission observes that the PIO should have made efforts to provide the information asked for instead of rejecting the applications on ground that the applicant had asked questions. The applicant might have been called for file inspection under the Act. Rejecting the arguments put by the PIO and FAA, the Commission found the PIO guilty of not providing information under the RTI Act.

NOTE: Many a time, PIOs opt for this option instead of providing information asked for. PIOs should be asked to give the information asked for and not take this option as an easy way out.

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.....Appellant/Complainant



Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg, (7814322100) C/o Police Public Dairy 15 A, Shastari Nagar, Model Town, Ludhiana.

Versus



.....Appellant/Complainant

.....Respondent

Public Information Officer O/o XEN, Construction Division, PWD B&R, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Superintending Engineer, Construction, PWD B&R, Circle No 1. Patiala.

Appeal Case No.4442 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	01-06-2021
PIO replied on	:	07-06-2021
First appeal filed on	:	06-08-2021
First Appellate Authority order	:	_

Present: Appellant: Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg Respondent: Sh. Satnam Singh (SDO), 9888898956

ORDER (First Hearing):

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 30.09.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- 2. Respondent, Sh. Satnam Singh sated that he requisite information has already been sent to the applicant (comprising 75 pgs.) through post dated 17.06.2021. However the applicant denied for the same.
- 3. In view of the above observations, the PIO is directed to provide an additional reply to the appellant through email/post on all of the points raised in the RTI application as discussed in the court with a copy to the commission. On other hand, the appellant is hereby, directed to revert back to the authorities in case of deficiencies, if any, in the information so supplied by the respondent before the next date of hearing.
- 4. To come up on 27.06.2022 through Cisco Webex at 11:00 am. {Steps: Install Cisco Webex < Click on Join Meeting< Write Meeting No. - 1581884645 }

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Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg, (7814322100)

C/o Police Public Dairy 15 A, Shastari Nagar , Model Town, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o XEN, Construction Division, PWD B&R No 2, Kapurthala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Superintending Engineer, Construction PWD B&R Circle No 2, Jalandhar.

Appeal Case No.4443 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	15-06-2021
PIO replied on	:	26-07-2021
First appeal filed on	:	10-08-2021
First Appellate Authority order	:	18-08-2021

Present: Appellant: Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg Respondent: Sh. Neeraj Gupta (SDO), 9876849752

ORDER (First Hearing):

- The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission dated 30.09.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today. The applicant has **sought information** from XEN, Construction Division PWD B&R No 2, PWD, Kapurthala from the period of 06.01.2020 to 01.06.2021.
- 2. It is further stated that in view of the aforesaid RTI Application dated 15.06.2021, the Respondent i.e., XEN, Construction Division PWD B&R No 2, PWD, Kapurthala vide his letter no. 763 dated 26.07.2021 supplied the reply pertaining to the information sought by the appellant. Wherein it was mentioned that, the sought information enumerated in the RTI application is vague (or not specific) and for this he called the applicant in his office for file inspection, but he never turned up.
- 3. After going through the RTI application, the Commission observes that the sought information enumerated in RTI application is not specific and vague.
 <u>Under Section 7(9) in The Right To Information Act, 2005. (9) An information shall ordinarily be provided in the form in which it is sought unless it would disproportionately divert the resources of the public authority or would be detrimental to the safety or preservation of the record in question.</u> Therefore, the appellant is advised to ask specific information point wise.

.....Appellant/Complainant

Appeal Case No.4443 of 2021 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

- 4. On these points, the PIO is directed to offer inspection of the relevant available records to the appellant at a mutually convenient date and time. The appellant is directed to avail of the said offer within the given time period from the respondent authority, failing which no further opportunity will be provided to him.
- To come up on 27.06.2022 through Cisco Webex at 11:00 am. {Steps: Install Cisco Webex < Click on Join Meeting< Write Meeting No. – 1581884645 } Sd/-

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Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg, (7814322100)

C/o Police Public Dairy 15 A, Shastari Nagar , Model Town, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o XEN, Construction Division, PWD B&R, Roopnagar.

First Appellate Authority O/o Superintending Engineer, PWD B&R, Construction Circle Sector 17, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No.4444 of 2021 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	05-07-2021
PIO replied on	:	-
First appeal filed on	:	08-08-2021
First Appellate Authority order	:	-

Present: Appellant: Sh. Nitin Kumar Garg Respondent: Sh. Munish Vij (SDO), 9815547510

ORDER (First Hearing):

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission dated 30.09.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- 2. Both the parties are present and heard.
- 3. <u>Post Deliberation</u>: The commission has directed the PIO to provide the requisite information /reply on all the points enumerated in the RTI application within 20 days from issue of this order, without fail.
- 4. To come up on 27.06.2022 through Cisco Webex at 11:00 am.

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Sh. Anil Kumar Dhanda, (9888602868)

CA, # 1095, Railway Road, Jagroan, Ludhiana - 142026

Versus

.....Appellant/Complainant

.....Respondent

Public Information Officer O/o SHO, Police Station City, Jagraon, Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o SHO, Police Station City, Jagraon, Distt Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No.4495 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	02-03-2021
PIO replied on	:	-
First appeal filed on	:	21-04-2021
First Appellate Authority order	:	-

Appellant: Sh. Anil Kumar Dhanda Present: Respondent: Sh. Hira Singh (Inspector), 7508742003

ORDER (First Hearing):

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal case in the Commission dated 04.10.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- 2. Both the parties are present for hearing. Respondent, Sh. Hira Singh has requested for an adjournment and assured the commission to supply the information before the next date of hearing.
- 3. Accordingly, in the view of above, the case is adjourned to date 27.06.2022 through Cisco Webex at 10:30 am with the directions to respondent PIO, to file a reply / supply information before the next date of hearing. Failing to which action under section 20(1) of RTI act will be initiated. On other hand, the appellant is hereby, directed to revert back to the authorities in case of deficiencies, if any, in the information so supplied by the respondent before the next date of hearing.

In case the partial information is not available in the office record then an undertaking/affidavit may be filled in this regard to the appellant with a copy to the Commission therein mentioning the reasons for its non-availability.

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NOTE: All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as: Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005, Signature of the PIO, Name of the PIO, Name of the Public Authority, Date.

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(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Pb.

Chandigarh Dated: 22.03.2022

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Sh. Jagshir Singh, (8195800345) S/o Sh. Gian Singh, # 9/20, Mandi Mulanpur, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o SHO, Police Station Division No 1, Police Commissionerate, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No.4505 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	30-06-2021
PIO replied on	:	-
First appeal filed on	:	11-08-2021
First Appellate Authority order	:	_

Present: Appellant: Absent Respondent: Sh. Major Singh (ASI), 9815591940

ORDER (First Hearing):

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 05.10.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- 2. Respondent, Sh. Major Singh stated that the sought information has already been sent to the applicant dated 12.01.2022 through post.
- 3. As the applicant is absent today the case is adjourned to date 27.06.2022 through Cisco Webex at 11:00 am with the directions to appellant to revert back to the authorities in case of deficiencies, if any, in the information so supplied by the respondent before the next date of hearing.

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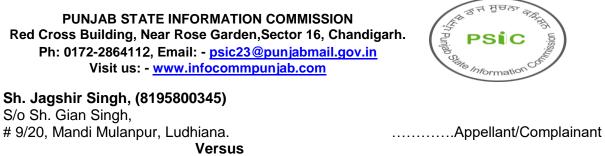
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Chandigarh Dated: 22.03.2022

.....Appellant/Complainant





Public Information Officer

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Jagraon, Distt Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No.4506 of 2021

(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

RTI application filed on	:	06-07-2021
PIO replied on	:	-
First appeal filed on	:	11-08-2021
First Appellate Authority order	:	-

Present: NONE

ORDER (First Hearing):

- 1. The Appellant/Complainant filed above mentioned appeal/complaint cases in the Commission dated 05.10.2021. Accordingly, the cases are fixed for today.
- 2. As both the parties are absent the case is adjourned to date 27.06.2022 through Cisco Webex at 11:00 am with the directions to respondent PIO, to file a reply / supply information before the next date of hearing. Failing to which action under section 20(1) of RTI act will be initiated. On other hand, the appellant is hereby, directed to revert back to the authorities in case of deficiencies, if any, in the information so supplied by the respondent before the next date of hearing.

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Sd/-

(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Pb.

.....Respondent

Chandigarh Dated: 22.03.2022