### Sh. Balwinder Singh Laddi,

H. No. 418 , Street Number 05, Nanaksar Tehdi Road, Simlapuri, Ludhiana (141003) Punjab

V/s.

## Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Malerkotla, District Sangrur (Punjab)

### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Malerkotla, District Sangrur (Punjab) PSiC volume

Appellant

Respondent

## Appeal Case No. 1609 of 2021 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Balwinder Singh is absent. None is present from the Department.

### ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 07.07.2021 vide which the Respondent PIO was directed to send the required information to the Appellant through an email also and on the other hand, an opportunity was given to the Appellant to confirm whether he has received the reply, which was sent to him by the Respondent / PIO vide letter dated 06.07.2021 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.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Balwinder Singh is absent.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that an email dated 10.07.2021 has been received in the Commission from the Appellant, Sh. Balwinder Singh vide which he has written that the information relating to point number 04, 05 and 06 is pending only and requests for the same.

Also, an email dated 06.07.2021 from the Department has been received in the Commission which states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant.

After going through the email dated 06.07.2021 of the concerned department, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information relating to remaining points i.e. point number 4, 5 and 6 of the RTI application to the Appellant by registered post or through email **within 3 weeks positively (along with a copy to the Commission)** and if the information is not available with them then the <u>PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant relating to remaining points till date.</u>

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Balwinder Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 13.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 13.12.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 22.09.2021

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab



Appellant

Respondent

**Sh. Jasbir Singh,** Village Bholapur Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh, District Ludhiana.

V/s.

 (Regd. Post) Public Information Officer, O/o The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.
 (Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

(Regd. Post) Public information Oncer, O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh. Encl RTI Application along with Letter dated 09.10.2020

### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh.

## <u>Appeal Case No. 1667 of 2021</u> <u>{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }</u>

Present : The Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is present. Sh. Manveer Singh, Senior Assistant is present from the Department of Principal Secretary to Govt. of Punjab. None is present from the O/o The Director, Depptt. Of Local Govt. Punjab.

ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 07.07.2021 vide which the Plo O/o Director, Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh is also directed to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing through Cisco Webex Meetings Software to clear the facts of this case and an opportunity was also given to the Appellant to confirm whether he has received the information/ reply or not.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Manveer Singh states that this information relates with the O/o Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab and further states that the concerned party was also impleaded vide order dated 07.07.2021 of the Commission.

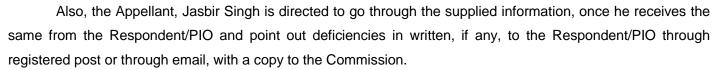
None is present from the O/o The Director, Department of Local Govt. Punjab.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO concerned and further PIO O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh is directed to appear on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software. <u>A copy of the RTI Application along with the Appellant's letter dated 09.10.2020 be sent to the concerned PIO i.e. O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, with this order.</u>

In view of above, last opportunity is given to the Respondent/ PIO concerned O/o **The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab and** further the PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or through email within 3 weeks positively (along with a copy to the Commission) and if the information is not available with them then the <u>PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit</u> explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant relating to remaining points till <u>date</u>.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

## Appeal Case No. 1667 of 2021 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software } 2/2



This case is adjourned to 13.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 13.12.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 22.09.2021

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No. 0172-2864100 Phone No. 0172-2864120 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

### **Ms. Harjit Kaur, W/o Sh. Gurdeep Singh,** H. no. 107, Ward No. 02, Anaj Mandi, Kurali (SAS nagar) Punjab

Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Executive Engineer, Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation, Division Khanna, District Ludhiana (Punjab)

**First Appellate Authority, O/o** The Superintending Engineer,

Water Supply and Sanitation, Ludhiana (Punjab) V/s.

Respondent

Appellant

# Appeal Case No. 1664 of 2021 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

**Present**: The Appellant, Ms. Harjit Kaur is absent.

Ms. Dupinder Kaur, Senior Assistant is present from the Department.

## ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 07.07.2021 vide which an opportunity was given to the Appellant to confirm whether she has received the information or not.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Ms. Harjit Kaur is absent and an email dated 22.09.2021 has been received in the Commission vide which she has requested for an adjournment as she could not be able to attend the today's hearing, which is taken on record.

On the other hand, Ms. Dupinder Kaur states that the information has been sent to the Appellant vide letter dated 10.08.2021 and a copy of the same has been sent to the Commission vide endorsement number 5077 dated 10.08.2021, which is taken on record.

In view of above, an opportunity is given to the Appellant, Ms. Harjit Kaur and further she is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that she has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

Also, the Respondent/ PIO is directed to send the information to the Appellant again **only if** any deficiencies would be pointed out by the Appellant to their department well in time. The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

This case is adjourned to 13.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 13.12.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 22.09.2021



PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No- 0172-2864100 Phone No- 0172-2864120 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

**Sh. Inderjit Singh, S/o Sh. Sukhdev Singh,** VPO Sabhra (Patti Narad Ki), Tehsil Patti, District Tarn Taran (143416) Punjab

V/s.

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Engineer, P.W.D. (B & R), Construction Division No. 02, Amritsar (Punjab)

**First Appellate Authority, O/o** The Superintending Engineer, P.W.D. (B & R), Batala Road, Amritsar (Punjab)

Respondent

Appellant

## <u>Appeal Case No. 2309 of 2020</u> {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

**Present** : The Appellant, Sh. Inderjit Singh is present. None is present from the Department.

## ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 07.07.2021 vide which the respondent PIO was directed to facilitate the Appellant to inspect the relevant official record during the Appellant's visit on 14.07.2021 so that the information could be identified by the Appellant. The Respondent PIO was also directed to supply the required information to the Appellant, which would be identified by him after the inspection. Also, an opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Inderjit Singh states that he has visited the concerned office on 14.07.2021 but the officials were busy so he was called to the office on 15.07.2021. He further states that during his visit on 15.07.2021 he was not provided the information he was told that the record is with the company i.e. MSB company i.e. Mohan Singh Brothers. He further mentions about his letter dated 16.08.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

None is present from the department.

A letter vide endorsement number 677 dated 16.07.2021 has been received in the Commission vide which the concerned PIO has written that the Appellant visited their office on 15.07.2021 and they (i.e. Appellant as well as concerned person from their department) had a point wise discussion relating to the RTI but the Appellant was not satisfied with the same.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as the information is still not supplied to the Appellant and today the Respondent / PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is again issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Executive Engineer, P.W.D. (B & R), Construction Division No. 02, Amritsar (Punjab), as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a



## Appeal Case No. 2309 of 2020 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software } 2/2



personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email within 2 weeks positively (along with a copy to the Commission) and if the information is not

available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Inderjit Singh is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

This case is adjourned to 13.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 13.12.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 22.09.2021

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Show Cause: (Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Engineer, P.W.D. (B & R), Construction Division No. 02, Amritsar (Punjab) Encl. RTI Application PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No- 0172-2864100 Phone No- 0172-2864120 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

## Sh. Kamal Dev, S/o Sh. Garib Dass,

H. No. 57, Street No. 09, Mohalla Sunder Nagar, Amritsar (Punjab)

Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The District Manager, Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Bank of Baroda Building, The Mall, Ferozepur (Punjab)

### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The District Manager, Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Ferozepur (Punjab)

# Appeal Case No. 2425 of 2020

## {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

**Present** : The Appellant, Sh. Kamal Dev is absent. None is present from the Department.

## ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 12.07.2021 vide which an opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies, which have been pointed out by the Appellant through letter dated 06.04.2021, to him by registered post with a copy to the Commission. On the other side, an opportunity was given to the Appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by the respondent PIO) or not.

In today's hearing, by the time the hearing of this present case started the Appellant, Sh. Kamal Dev left the meeting and did not join back.

None is present from the department.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as the information is still not supplied to the Appellant and today the Respondent / PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The District Manager, Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Ferozepur (Punjab), as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email **within 2 weeks positively (along with a copy to the Commission)** and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

<u>1/2</u>

COMMISSION CHANDIGARH. 164120 commpunjab.com missioner, Punjab.



PSIC

Respondent

V/s.

## Appeal Case No. 2425 of 2020 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software } 2/2



The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Kamal Dev is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

The Appellant, Sh. Kamal Dev is also directed to appear personally through Cisco Webex Meeting Software on the next date of hearing, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 13.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 13.12.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 22.09.2021

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Show Cause: (Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer, O/o The District Manager, Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Bank of Baroda Building, The Mall, Ferozepur (Punjab)

Encl. RTI Application

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No- 0172-2864100 Phone No- 0172-2864120 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

(Regd. Post)	Sh. Rann Singh, S/o Sh. Amar Singh,	
	H. No. 40, Street No.01, Near Guru Nanak Public School,	
	Jagtar Nagar, Patiala (147003) Punjab.	
<i></i>	V/s.	

- (Regd. Post) Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Engineer, Devigarh Division (I.B.), Patiala (Punjab)
- (Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,
   O/o The Superintending Engineer,
   Bhakra Main Line, Circle Patiala (Punjab)

Respondent

# Appeal Case No. 790 of 2020

## {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Rann Singh is present.

Sh. Manpreet Singh, Junior Engineer is present from the Department.

### ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 12.07.2021 vide which an opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the information to the Appellant and the concerned PIO was also directed to deposit the penalty of Rs. 5000/- to the Government Treasury which was imposed to the concerned PIO on the hearing dated 12.07.2021.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Rann Singh states that information has not been supplied to him.

To which, the Junior Engineer, Sh. Manpreet Singh explains the facts of this case. He further states that the concerned pulley (bridge) is very old and the record of the same has been missing / lost during the floods occurred in the year 1993. For the same he mentions about a letter number 1896 dated 15.04.2021 which has been sent to the Appellant and a copy of the same has been sent to the Commission, which is taken on record.

After going through letter number 1896 dated 15.04.2021 I am of the view that the department has given a reply to the Appellant's RTI which is satisfactory in nature to the undersigned.

Coming to the penalty part, the Junior Engineer, Sh. Manpreet Singh states that the penalty amounting to Rs. 5,000/- has already been deposited to the Government Treasury but the copy of the challan has not been submitted to the Commission, to which the Junior Engineer, Sh. Manpreet Singh assures that the copy of challan would be submitted to the Commission by today during the office hours **but he failed to do so.** 

In view of above, this case is adjourned only because of penalty part which is pending and has to be deposited by the concerned PIO in the Government Treasury.

Final opportunity is given to the concerned PIO and further the PIO is directed to deposit the penalty into the Government Treasury as mentioned in the previous order of the Commission dated 12.07.2021 and deposit the challan receipt to the Commission within a week, failing which a strict action would be recommended against the concerned PIO as well as against the Junior Engineer, Sh. Manpreet Singh.

This case is adjourned to 13.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 13.12.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

Dated: 22.09.2021



..

Appellant

1/2

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No- 0172-2864100 Phone No- 0172-2864120 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

- (Regd. Post) Sh. Amandeep Singh Gill, (96530-64645) S/o Sh. Nirmal Singh Gill, Street No. 15, Peeru Banda, Salem Tibri, Ludhiana (141008) Punjab
  V/s.
- (Regd. Post)Public Information Officer,<br/>O/o The Block Development & Panchayat Officer, (BDPO)<br/>Block Ghall Khurd, District Ferozepur (Punjab)
- (Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
   O/o The Village Development Officer (VDO),
   O/o Gram Panchayat, Khuh-Chah-Parsia,
   Block Ghall Khurd, District Ferozepur (Punjab)

# <u>Complaint Case No. 450 of 2019</u> {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

**Present** : The Complainant, Sh. Amandeep Singh Gill is absent. None is present from the Department.

ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 12.07.2021 vide which an opportunity was given to the respondent PIO to supply the information to the Appellant and the concerned PIO was also directed to deposit the penalty of Rs. 10,000/- to the Government Treasury which was imposed to the concerned PIO on the previous hearing.

# In today's hearing, both the parties are absent without any intimation to the Commission.

On the last hearing it has been observed that none of the PIO's came present personally from office of BDPO, Block Ghall Khurd, District Ferozepur and PIO office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khu-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, District Ferozepur and moreover, they have not sent any document showing that penalty amount, which was imposed upon them vide order dated 07.07.2020 and 16.11.2020, is deposited or not.

The position of this present case is same as it was on the last date of hearing dated 12.07.2021.

Commission takes a very serious view of the casual approach of the concerned PIOs.

Last and final opportunity is given to the respondent- PIOs concerned i.e. i) PIO of office of B.D.P.O., Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur and ii) PIO of office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khuh-Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur, to comply with the orders dated 16.11.2020 passed by the Commission <u>by depositing penalty jointly of Rs. 10,000/-</u> (penalty already imposed Rs. 5000/- (vide orders dated 07.07.2020) + enhanced (announced in previous order) Rs. 5,000/- = Rs. 10,000/-) into the Government Treasury and a copy of challan receipt be sent to the Commission by the next date of hearing to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.

<u>The PIO of office of B.D.P.O., Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur must deposit penalty</u> amount of Rs. 5000/- and ii) PIO of office of Village Development Officer, Gram Panchayat, Khuh-<u>Chah-Parsia, Block Ghall Khurd, Distt. Ferozepur must deposit penalty amount of Rs. 5000/- (jointly</u> total amount Rs. 10,000/-) in to the Government Treasury by the next date of hearing positively.

Complainant

Respondent

## <u>Complaint Case No. 450 of 2019</u> <u>{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }</u> <u>2/2</u>



A copy of this order also be sent to them through registered post with the directions to send challan-receipts, showing that penalty amount, which was imposed upon them vide order dated 07.07.2020 and enhanced vide orders dated 16.11.2020, is deposited, by the next date of hearing positively.

The amount of penalty will be deposited in the treasury of Punjab Government under the head.....

Major Head	0070 -Other Administrative Services	
Sub-Major Head	60 - Other Services	
Minor Head	800 - Other Receipts	
Sub-Head	86 - Fee under the Right to Information Act, 2005	
Detailed Head	0070 Other Administrative Services	
60 Other Services-	800- Other Receipts-	
86- Fees under the Right to Information Act, 2005		
 • . •		

And a copy of challan receipts be sent to the Commission by the next date of hearing

If the concerned PIO failed to comply with the above said or previous orders of the Commission this time then a strict action would be recommended against all the concerned PIOs.

<u>A copy of this order be sent to The Director, Rural Development and Panchayat Officer,</u> <u>Punjab, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) and The District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur</u> <u>through registered post with the advice to ensure compliance of the above said order.</u>

This case is adjourned to 13.12.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 13.12.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 22.09.2021

- CC: (Regd. Post) Public Information Officer, The Director, Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab, Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali). Public Information Officer,
  - (Regd. Post) The District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur (Punjab).

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No- 0172-2864100 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

**Sh. Ravi Jindal,** Chamber No. 427, District Court Complex, Sangrur (Punjab)

V/s.

Public Information Officer, O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

# <u>Appeal Case No. 143 of 2020</u>

## {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Ravi Jindal is present.

Sh. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent –cum- PIO is present from the Department.

### ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 12.07.2021 vide which the respondent PIO was directed to facilitate the Appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 14.07.2021 at 11.00 am to identify the information and also directed to supply the required information to the Appellant, which would be identified by the Appellant after inspection. An opportunity was also given to the Appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Ravi Jindal states that he had visited the concerned office for inspection of records on 14.07.2021 but the concerned clerk was leave on that day.

On the other hand, Sh. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent –cum- PIO states that the information has been sent to the Appellant today itself and a copy of the cover letter has been sent to the Commission vide dated 22.09.2021 i.e. today, which is taken on record.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as they should have sent the information to the concerned Appellant well in time.

The PIO is directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Ravi Jindal is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 25.10.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 25.10.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 22.09.2021

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

PSIC

Appellant

Respondent

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No- 0172-2864100 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

**Sh. Ravi Jindal,** Chamber No. 427, District Court Complex, Sangrur (Punjab)

V/s.

Public Information Officer, O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

# <u> Appeal Case No. 4514 of 2019</u>

## {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Ravi Jindal is present.

Sh. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent –cum- PIO is present from the Department.

### ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 12.07.2021 vide which the respondent PIO was directed to facilitate the Appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 14.07.2021 at 11.00 am to identify the information and also directed to supply the required information to the Appellant, which would be identified by the Appellant after inspection. An opportunity was also given to the Appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Ravi Jindal states that whatever was sent to him earlier in this case has been sent again to him and further discusses pointwise of the RTI Application.

On the other hand, Sh. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent –cum- PIO states that the registration authority divide the work at its own level and there is no role of HO in this. To which the PIO is directed to submit the same in writing that there is no relation of the RTA with their concerned office and there are no rules or regulations relating to this or else supply the attested copies of rules and regulations in writing.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by registered post or email **within 2 weeks positively (along with a copy to the Commission)** and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply in the form of an affidavit explaining the reason (as mentioned above in writing), why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The PIO is directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Appellant, Sh. Ravi Jindal is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 25.10.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 25.10.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Appellant

Respondent

PSIC

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No- 0172-2864100 Phone No- 0172-2864120 Email: neicei bmail.gov.in Visit us - w Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Sh. Dara Singh, S/o Sh. Baldev Singh, H. No. 200, Street No. 02, Defence Colony, Malerkotla, District Sangrur (148023) Punjab

V/s.

**Public Information Officer**, **O/o** The Additional Chief Judge,

Senior Division, Malerkotla (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, **O/o** The Additional Chief Judge, Senior Division, Malerkotla (Punjab)

Respondent

Appellant

# Appeal Case No. 1571 of 2021 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

The Appellant, Sh. Dara Singh is absent. Present : Ms. Anjali, Reader is present from the Department.

### **ORDER:**

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 23.08.2021 vide which the respondent PIO was directed to facilitate the Appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 25.08.2021 at 3.00 pm to identify the information and also directed to supply the required information to the Appellant, which would be identified by the Appellant after inspection as per official record with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing. An opportunity was also given to the Appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Dara Singh is connected through Cisco Webex but due to network issue at his end he was not audible during the proceeding of this present case. An email dated 15.09.2021 from the Appellant has been received in the Commission and is taken on record.

On the other hand, the Reader, Ms. Anjali states that the information has already been supplied to the Appellant and further mentions about a letter dated 21.09.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Dara Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO (within his RTI Application) through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant again by registered post or email only if the deficiencies would be pointed out by the Appellant to the department well in time.

The PIO is directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant again, by the next date of hearing.

This case is adjourned to 25.10.2021 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 25.10.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Joining Meeting Number of Cisco Webex is 1589136034.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

PSIC

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline No- 0172-2864100 Phone No- 0172-2864120 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

**Sh. Surinder Mittal,** # 302, Shaheed Udam Singh Nagar, Phagwara 144402 (Punjab)

**Public Information Officer**, **O/o** The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Phagwara, District Kapurthala. (Punjab)

## First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Phagwara, District Kapurthala. (Punjab)

# <u>Appeal Case No. 930 of 2020</u> {Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software }

V/s.

**Present**: The Appellant, Sh. Surinder Mittal is present. Sh. Ajit Singh, Superintendent, from MC Phagwara is present.

### ORDER:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 12.07.2021 vide which the respondent PIO was directed to provide list of eleven shops, which were sealed on the property belonging to Sh. Rajinder Singh Gogna with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing. An opportunity was given to the Appellant to confirm whether he had received the information, which would be sent to him by the respondent PIO or not.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Surinder Mittal states that the information which has been supplied to him is incomplete in nature as he has not been provided the sealing orders.

On the other hand, the Superintendent, Sh. Ajit Singh states that as per the last order of the Commission, they have to supply the list of the shops that were sealed, to which he mentions about an email dated 20.09.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and further states that in the assessment register, the list of the concerned shops are given.

## To which, the Appellant, Sh. Surinder Mittal shows his dissatisfaction to the above.

In view of above, both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next date of hearing for clarifying the facts of this case.

The concerned PIO is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to the RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which a strict action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The Appellant is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to **21.10.2021 at 12:00** Noon and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **21.10.2021** which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Madhya Marg, Sector -16, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 22.09.2021

Appellant

PSIC

Respondent

RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH. Helpline 0172-2864100 Phone No-0172-2864120 Email: <u>psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

### Ms. Navjeet Kaur,

H. No. 43, Mohalla Darapur, Near Session Chowk, Hoshiarpur (146001) Punjab

### Public Information Officer,

**O/o** The Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training Department, Punjab, Sector 36-A, Plot Number 1, Chandigarh.

### First Appellate Authority,

**O/o** The Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training Department, Punjab, Sector 36-A, Plot Number 1, Chandigarh.

### Appeal Case No. 4657 of 2019 {Heard through Cisco Webex Meeting Software}

V/s.

The Appellant, Ms. Navjeet Kaur is present.

Ms. Monica Bansal, Deputy Director is present from the Department.

## ORDER:

Present :

This case was last heard on 12.07.2021 vide which the concerned PIO was directed to file a proper reply to the queries raised by the Appellant through RTI request. The Respondent PIO was also directed to send the reply to the Appellant through registered post in advance with a copy to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the Appellant to confirm whether she had received the information / reply (which would be sent to the Appellant by the Respondent / PIO) or not.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Ms. Navjeet Kaur states that the information which has been supplied to her is incomplete and misleading in nature. The Department has supplied the same information which has already been given to her earlier.

On the other hand, the Deputy Director, Ms. Monica Bansal states that whatever the information was available with them has already been supplied to the Appellant.

In view of above, both the parties are directed to appear in the Commission on the next date of hearing for clarifying the facts of this case.

The concerned PIO is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to the RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which a strict action would be taken against the concerned PIO.

The Appellant is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this RTI on the next date of hearing, failing which it would be presumed that the Appellant does not require the information anymore and the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to **21.10.2021 at 12:00** Noon and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **21.10.2021** which is going to be heard in the Court Room at Punjab State Information Commission, Madhya Marg, Sector -16, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Dated: 22.09.2021

Appellant

Respondent

BAR PSiC Ungeneration

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH.