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#### **Sh. Manjinder Singh(9872015069)**

# 2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar, Distt. Mohali 140301.

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur

### **First Appellate Authority**

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2928 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Sh. Gurmit Singh, APIO

#### **ORDER**

- 1. The RTI application dated 14.3.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 22.4.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent.
- 3. The appellant states that nothing has been received with regard to RTI application since sufficient time has elapsed.
- 4. The respondent states that the information has already been sent to the appellant but through ordinary post.
- 5. In view of statements of both the parties, respondent PIO is directed send the information to the appellant again through registered post immediately. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, within 7 days from its receipt, failing which the case shall be decided on merits.
- 6. To come up on **29.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur

Appeal Case No.: 2927 of 2022

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Sh. Rakesh Joshi (PIO)

**ORDER** 

- 1. The RTI application dated 14.3.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 22.4.2022and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent.
- 3. The appellant states that he has received information relate with point no. 1 and 2 of his RTI application vide letter no. 2825 dated 14.9.2022 but information in connection with point No.3 is still pending which is denied under Section 8(1) (d) of the RTI Act.
- 4. After discussing with both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to supply the pending information (point no. 3) within ten days under intimation to the Commission. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiency on receipt of the information under intimation to the Commission failing which the case shall be decided on merits.
- 5. To come up to **29.11.2022** at **11:00** A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Respondent

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**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot

**First Appellate Authority** 

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Faridkot

> Appeal Case No.: 2926 of 2022 **Hearing through CISCO Webex**

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Sh. Sanjiv Kumar (SA).

Order

- The RTI application dated 9.3.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 18 .4.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent.
- 3. The appellant states that he has not received complete information as per his RTI application since sufficient time has passed. He further states that information in Point 1 received and in point No.2, it is stated that they are unable to give information. In point No.3 the information sought is to create and this office is unable to create the information as routine functioning of the department affects.
- 4. After discussing with both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to supply the pending information (point no. 2 and 3) within seven days under intimation to the Commission. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiency on receipt of the information under intimation to the Commission failing which the case shall be decided on merits.
- 6. To come up on 29.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar

**First Appellate Authority** 

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2923 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh Respondent: Sh. Amandeep Singh

**ORDER** 

- 1. The RTI application dated 9.3.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 18.4.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent.
- 3. The respondent states that the information has already been sent to the appellant through courier on 12.8.2022.
- 4. The appellant states that nothing has been received with regard to RTI application since sufficient time has elapsed. He adds that the information sent to him does not relate with his RTI.
- 5. In view of statements of both the parties, respondent PIO is directed to go through the RTI application once again and send the demanded information by registered post immediately to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, within 7 days from its receipt, failing which the case shall be decided on merits.
- To come up on 29.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Patiala

**First Appellate Authority** 

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Patiala

Appeal Case No.: 2924 of 2022

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh Respondent: Sh. Harjit Singh, Clerk

**ORDER** 

- 1. The RTI application dated 9.3.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 18.4.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 21.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent.
- 3. The appellant states that he has sought information with regard to four points of his RTI application. He states that information with regard to point no.1, 2 and 3 has been received while information at point No.4 is denied while other RTA offices (Ferozepur and Hoshiarpur) had already been supplied similar kind of information.
- 4. In view of above, the responded PIO is directed to supply the information in Point No.4 within a period of 15 days. The appellant shall point out deficiency on receipt of the information under intimation the Commission, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 5. To come up on **29.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Baldev Randhawa(9814037015)

D-642, Ranjit Avenue, Block-E, Amritsar

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o State Transport Commissioner Pb., Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o State Transport Commissioner Pb., Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2876 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Baldev Randhawa

Respondent: Sh. Sher Singh, APIO

#### **ORDER**

- 1. The RTI application dated 21.1.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 7.3.2022and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent.
- 3. The appellant states that he has not received complete information as per RTI application till date. He adds that information in connection with 2020-21 is not received as demanded in RTI application.
- 4. The respondent states that the information has been sent to the appellant on 20.07.2022 via registry and an email dated 09.08.2022, which is not received as per the case file.
- 5. In view of above, the court while taking suo moto cognizance of the situation directs the respondent PIO to supply the complete information to the appellant within a period of 10 days. The appellant shall also point out deficiency, if any, on receipt of the information under intimation to the Commission so that the matter may be resolved.
- To come up on 30.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o State Transport Commissioner Pb., Chandigarh

#### **First Appellate Authority**

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o State Transport Commissioner Pb., Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2875 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Baldev Randhawa

Respondent: Sh. Sher Singh, APIO

#### **ORDER**

- 1. The RTI application dated 21.1.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 7.3.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent.
- 3. The appellant states that the information with regard to requests made by Sh. Sukhwinder Kumar, RTA on various occasions for forgoing promotion by him, but the information sought for is still to receive from the concerned department.
- 4. The respondent states that the information relates with 3rd party so the same cannot be given.
- 5. The court while taking suo moto cognizance of the situation, directs the respondent PIO to supply the information sought for is not 3rd party and could be supplied. So, the respondent PIO is directed to supply the information to the appellant within 10 days under intimation to the Commission.
- 6. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 7. To come up on **30.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Ms. Tuhina Laskar(8595977082)

D/o Sh. Anamul Laskar # 4490, Street No.5, Shakti Nagar, Bathinda

Versus

**Public Information Officer** O/o EO, Nagar Council, Rama Mandi, Distt. Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC(G), Bathinda

Dated: 22.09.2022

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2933 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

**Present:** Sh. Sahil Kumar, Advocate on behalf of the appellant

Respondent: Sh. Sumit Kumar, Clerk (9646250016)

### **ORDER**

- 1. The RTI application dated 11.1.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 3.3.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent.
- 3. The advocate representing the case on behalf of the appellant states that the sought for information is still awaited from the respondent department.
- 4. The respondent states that the sought for information has been sent to the appellant via an email on 19.9.2022 but representative of the appellant denied on the same.
- 5. Accordingly, respondent PIO is directed to send information once again within 2 days, via an email at her mailing address: <a href="mailto:Australia110001@gmail.com">Australia110001@gmail.com</a> (given by the representative of the appellant during the hearing). Appellant is advised to go through the information once she received email in this regard and point out ambiguity, if any, in writing as per RTI application, to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 6. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 7. To come up on **29.11.2022** at **11:00** A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Sh. Madan Lal(9646250011)

S/o Sh. Roshan Lal, # 14/3, W.No.15, Ganpati Enclave Rama, Distt. Bathinda-151301.

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o EO, Nagar Council, Rama, Distt. Bathinda

**First Appellate Authority** 

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Director, Local Govt. Pb., Sector-35-A, Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2853 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

**Present:** Sh. Keshav Rai on behalf of the Appellant

Respondent: Sh. Sumit Kumar (Clerk) (9646250016)

#### **ORDER**

- The RTI application dated 29.1.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 1.4.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. Respondent, Sh. Sumit Kumar states that information had already been sent to the appellant through registered post.
- 4. The representative of the appellant states that incomplete information had been supplied through registered post which was received on 30.08.2022 with regard to his RTI application since sufficient time has elapsed
- 5. In view of the above, the court directs the respondent to supply the sought for information immediately under intimation to the Commission. The appellant shall also point out deficiencies, if any, on receipt of the information under intimation to the Commission within 7 days as per RTI application, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 6. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 7. To come up on **30.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Pankaj Kapoor(9814245156)

S/o Sh. Ram Saroop, #276-L&R, Rainbow Road, Model Town, Jalandhar

Versus

**Show-Cause** 

**Public Information Officer (By Name)** 

(Regd. Post) O/o MC, Jalandhar

Encl. RTI application

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, MC, Jalandhar

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2832 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Sh. Bhrigu Dutt Sharma on behalf of the Appellant

Respondent: Absent.

#### **ORDER**

- 1. The RTI application dated 12.11.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 25.1.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing Sh. Bhrigu Sharma, Advocate on behalf of the appellant is present. But nobody appears on behalf of the respondent department in spite being aware about the date of hearing through registered post notices issued to the respondent PIO, O/o MC, Jalandhar.
- 3. The representative of the appellant states that sufficient time has elapsed the sought for information is still awaited. He further states that in spite of directions by the First Appellate authority, the department did not supply the information within the said time period.
- 4. After hearing the appellant and examining the case file, it is observed that First Appellate Authority i.e. the Joint Commissioner, MC, Jalandhar passed an order dated 29.04.2022 directing therein to the concerned respondent PIO-cum-Asstt. Town Planner of Building Branch to look into the matter personally and ensure that the requisite information be provided to the appellant as per RTI application within a period of 10 days from the receipt of the copy of that order but as per representative of the appellant, nothing is received from the respondent PIO, which is a sheer wastage of precious time and resources of the Commission and the public as well.

Respondent PIO is failed to perform his duty as a public servant, as he has not paid any heed towards to the notice of the Commission/order passed by the FAA. RTI Act, 2005 came into existence to promote the transparency and accountability of the Public authority, not to harass the common man.

### Appeal Case No.: 2832 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

5. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, O/o MC, Jalandhar is directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex-parte.

- 6. A copy of this order be sent to the First Appellate Authority to look into the matter and depute an official who is well versed regarding facts of this case. He is also advised to make sure respondent PIO/representative must attend next date of hearing at Punjab State Information Commission along with relevant record in connection with RTI application in the present appeal case.
- 7. Appellant is on liberty either to attend hearing through CISCO WEBEX (meeting number 1582933632) or in person at Commission's office.
- 8. Matter is fixed for further hearing on **22.11.2022** at **11:00** A.M. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 22.09.2022 (Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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Sh. Gaurav Singla(9781056202)

S/o Sh. Tarsem Chand, Main Road, Kainchian, W.No.1, R/o Bareta Distt. Mansa

Versus

**Public Information Officer** O/o EO, Nagar Council, Bareta,

Distt. Mansa

First Appellate Authority O/o EO, Nagar Council, Bareta, Distt. Mansa

Dated: 22.09.2022

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2823 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Gaurav Singla

Respondent: Sh. Vijay Kumar, JA (9464129347)

#### **ORDER**

- 1. The RTI application dated 16.3.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 26.04.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 15.6.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 22.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. The appellant states that sufficient time has gone but the sought for information with regard to six points is still awaited.
- 4. The respondent states that the sought for information as per RTI application has been sent to the appellant on 19.4.2022, which the appellant denies for receipt of the same.
- 5. After discussing with both the parties in detail, respondent PIO is directed to supply the requisite information as per RTI application to the appellant within ten days from today. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out ambiguity within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which case will be decided on the merit basis.
- 6. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
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### Sh. Sanjeev Goyal (9814197689)

S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar #148, Model Town, Phase-1, Bathinda

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o SHO, Police Station, Sangat, District Bathinda.

#### First Appellate Authority

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o IGP, Bathinda Range, Bathinda.

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4952 of 2021 **Through CISCO WEBEX** 

Present: Appellant - Sh. Ravinder Pal Singh.

Respondent: Sh. Gursahib Singh (ASI)

#### **ORDER**

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.08.2022 vide which respondent PIO was directed to supply the point-wise reply/information to the appellant within ten days after receipt of order. The concerned PIO was also directed to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing positively, failing which stern action will be initiated against him. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 22.09.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. The appellant states that as per last orders the information was to be supplied within 10 days but he has not been supplied the same till date.
- 4. In view of statement of the appellant, the respondent is one more opportunity to supply the sought for information as per RTI application to the appellant within 10 days from today, failing which stern action as per RTI rules shall be initiated. The appellant is also advised to point out the deficiencies, if any, on its receipt under intimation to the Commission within 7 days, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 5. It is observed that copy of previous order dated 18.08.2022 was sent to Sh. Ravinder Pal Singh,#30, Banda Bahadur Nagar, Jalandhar instead of Sh. Sanjeev Goyal, S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar, #148, Model Town, Phase-1, Bathinda inadvertently. Name and address of the appellant has been changed in the present order.
- 6. To come up on 24.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties. (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

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Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur

**First Appellate Authority** 

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4906 of 2021 Through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Sh. Gurmeet Singh on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.08.2022 vide which respondent PIO was directed to supply the information within seven days. The matter was adjourned to 22.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present and explained same as it was discussed on the previous hearing held on 04.08.2022. Respondent, Sh. Gurmeet Singh states that reply was sent to the appellant on 08.08.2022 (mentioning therein that 321 heavy licenses and 321 Mahuana Certificates have been issued during January to March, 2018)
- 3. with a copy to the Commission via an email dated 08.08.2022, which is received and taken on record.
- 4. After gone through the documents placed on record, respondent PIO is directed to supply the requisite information within ten days from today without further delay.
- 5. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out ambiguity within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission.
- 6. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 7. To come up on **29.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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### **Sh. Manjinder Singh(9872015069)**

# 2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar, Distt. Mohali 140301.

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur

### **First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur

Respondent

### Appeal Case No.: 4902 of 2021 Through CISCO Webex

Present: \_Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh Respondent: Sh. Rakesh Joshi (PIO)

### **ORDER**

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated <u>04.08.2022</u> vide which the court directed the respondent PIO to send the information by email/ registered post again and postal receipt too. The matter was adjourned to 22.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, appellant states that sufficient time has elapsed, the sought for information is still awaited.
- 3. The respondent states that record could not be supplied as Vigilance Department had sealed the record.
- 4. The court while hearing both the parties directs the respondent either to supply the information or give an affidavit stating that record is not available as Vigilance Department has sealed the record. The Respondent PIO is directed to supply the same by Tuesday i.e. 28.09.2022 to the appellant in original with a copy to the Commission.
- To come up on 29.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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**First Appellate Authority** 

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4903 of 2021 **Through CISCO Webex** 

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh **Present:** Respondent: Sh. Rakesh Joshi (PIO)

**ORDER** 

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 4.8.2022 vide which the court directed the respondent PIO to send the information by email/registered post again and postal receipt too. The matter was adjourned to 22.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, appellant states that sufficient time has elapsed, the sought for information is still awaited.
- 3. The appellant states that deficiencies have been twice but nothing is heard thereafter. He further states that information with regard to point 1 and 2 has been received and point No.3, 4 and 5 is pending even after point out deficiencies on 19.08.2022.
- 4. After discussing with both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to supply the pending information within 7 days from today and the appellant is also advised to point out the deficiencies, if any, on its receipt to the respondent under intimation to the Commission, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
- 5. To come up on 06.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties. (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

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Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur

**First Appellate Authority** 

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur

Respondent Appeal Case No.: 945 of 2022

**Hearing through CISCO Webex** 

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Sh. Gurmit Singh

#### **ORDER**

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 9.8.2022 wherein the respondent was directed to supply pending information with regard to point No.4 and 5 information within seven days. The matter was adjourned to 22.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. Appellant states that pending information in connection with point No. 4 and 5 is still pending even after the directions of the Commission vide orders of the Commission dated 09.08.2022.
- 4. After gone through the documents placed on record, respondent PIO is directed to supply the pending information (point no. 4 and 5) immediately as ample time had already been elapsed.
- 5. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out ambiguity within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission.
- 6. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 7. To come up on 06.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties. Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632.

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Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar

Respondent

Appeal case No.: 594 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Appellant-Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent – Sh. Amandeep Singh (APIO) (9872846966)

**ORDER** 

- 1. Refer earlier dated 9.8.2022 vide which deficiencies were pointed out in the supplied information to the respondent.. The case was adjourned to 22.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. The respondent states that the sought for information has already been sent to the appellant, which the appellant states that the information supplied to him is irrelevant and does not relate to his RTI. He adds that deficiencies were pointed out on 09.06.2022 and 12.08.2022.
- 4. In view of statement of the appellant, the court directs the respondent to remove the deficiencies as per RTI application and supply the legible copies of information relating to the RTI within 10 days, under intimation to the Commission without further delay.
- 5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- To come up on 06.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Versus

Appeal case No.: 593 of 2022

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur

Dated: 22.09.2022

Respondent

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant-Sh. Manjinder Singh Respondent – Sh. Gurmeet Singh

ORDER

- 1. Refer earlier dated 9.8.2022 vide which the respondent was granted a final opportunity to supply the complete information to the appellant within seven days from today under intimation to the Commission as ample time had already been elapsed. The case was adjourned to 22.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present. Appellant states that photo copy of challans were asked for but the information has not been provided as per last order of the Commission.
- 3. After discussing with both the parties and examining the case file, the respondent is directed to go through the RTI application once again and order dated 26.05.2022 and supply the information accordingly within 10 days failing which, appropriate order shall be passed.
- 4. Both the parties are advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- To come up on 06.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Smt. Param Jit Kaur (9417132403)

W/o Sh. Sukhbir Singh R/o 1544, Sector 36 D, Chandigarh

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Director, Department of Technical Education Punjab, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Department of Technical Education Punjab, Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 829 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Versus

Present: Appellant: Smt. Param Jit Kaur Respondent – Sh. Harpreet, SA

#### **ORDER**

- 1. Refer earlier order dated 4.8.2022. The matter was adjourned with directions to respondent PIO to supply the point-wise reply/information to the appellant after collecting from the concerned office, within ten days after receipt of the order, failing which stern action will be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 22.09.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, it is observed that address of the appellant and details of respondent PIO and First Appellate Authority were wrongly mentioned in the previous order passed by the Commission dated 04.08.2022. Required corrections are made in the present order.
- 3. Respondent states that information as supplied to the appellant on 03.08.2022 with a copy to the Commission via an email on 03.08.2022, which is received and taken on record.
- 4. On this, appellant states that irrelevant information was received on 10.08.2022. She adds that she has sent her submission via an email dated 20.09.2022, which is received and taken on record.
- 5. After having detailed discussion with both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO, Ms. Raksha Kiran is directed to supply the point-wise information to the appellant within ten days from today along with directions to appear in person on the next date of hearing positively as ample time had already been elapsed after filing the RTI application dated 18.08.2021, which is a sheer wastage of precious time and resources of the Commission and making mockery of RTI Act, 2005. A copy of this order be sent to her by name through registered post for his ready reference.
- 6. Respondent, Sh. Harpreet Singh is directed to convey the proceedings of today's hearing to Ms. Raksha Kiran for the immediately compliance.

### Appeal Case No.: 829 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

7. To come up on **09.11.2022** at **11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Regd. Post

Dated: 22.09.2022

Ms. Raksha Kiran (Public Information Officer) O/o Director, Department of Technical Education Punjab, Chandigarh

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Appellant

#### Smt. Param Jit Kaur (9417132403)

W/o Sh. Sukhbir Singh R/o 1544, Sector 36 D, Chandigarh

Versus

**Public Information Officer (By Name)** 

(Regd. Post) O/o Principal Secretary

Technical Education Punjab,

Chandigarh

#### **First Appellate Authority**

O/o Principal Secretary Technical Education Punjab, Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 830 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Appellant: Smt. Param Jit Kaur

Respondent - Sh. Harpreet Singh, SA

#### **ORDER**

- 1. Refer earlier order dated 4.8.2022. The matter was adjourned with directions to respondent PIO to supply the point-wise reply/information to the appellant after collecting from the concerned office, within ten days after receipt of the order, failing which stern action will be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 22.09.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, it is observed that address of the appellant and details of respondent PIO and First Appellate Authority were wrongly mentioned in the previous order passed by the Commission dated 04.08.2022. Required corrections are made in the present order.
- Respondent states that information as supplied to the appellant in this case on 08.08.2022 through registered post and a copy of the same is also sent to the via post, which is received in the Commission vide diary no. 19132 dated 26.08.2022 comprising 90 pages, which is taken on record.
- 4. On this, appellant states that she has filed RTI application to the respondent PIO, O/o Principal Secretary, Technical Education Punjab, Chandigarh and respondent present for today's hearing is from the Director, Department of Technical Education Punjab, Chandigarh. She adds that she has sent her submission via an email dated 20.09.2022, which is received and taken on record.
- 5. After having detailed discussion with both the parties and examining the case file, <u>it is observed</u> that RTI application was transferred to the respondent PIO, O/o Director, Department of Technical Education Punjab, Chandigarh under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, vide letter dated 24.08.2021 as per the case file. Accordingly, respondent, Sh. Harpreet Singh from the said department is presenting the case.

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6. After having detailed discussion with both the parties, it is observed that appellant has not

received the requisite information till date, even after the elapse of 1 year as RTI application

was filed on 18.08.2021 either from the respondent PIO, O/o Principal Secy. Or from the

respondent PIO, o/o Director, Technical education Punjab, Chandigarh, which is a sheer

wastage of precious time and resources of the Commission and making mockery of RTI Act,

2005.

7. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, Ms. Raksha Kiran, O/o Director, Department of

Technical Education Punjab, Chandigarh is directed to show cause in writing or through

affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for

willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not

awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section

20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next

date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail

himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that

he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against

him ex-parte.

8. Respondent PIO, O/o Principal Secy., Tehcnical Education, Punjab, Chandigarh is also directed

to appear in person on the next date of hearing positively to clear the facts of this case. A copy

of this order be also sent o him by name through registered post for his ready reference.

9. Respondent, Sh. Harpreet Singh is directed to convey the proceedings of today's hearing to Ms.

Raksha Kiran for the immediately compliance.

10. To come up on 09.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing

application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner

Punjab

Dated: 22.09.2022

**Show-Cause** 

Ms. Raksha Kiran (Public Information Officer)

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Sh. Amrik Singh (9780471515)

D 4, Ambedkar Society, Sector 76, SAS Nagar (Mohali)

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar.

**First Appellate Authority** 

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

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 3833 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Appellant -Sh. Amrik Singh

Respondent: Sh. Amandeep Singh, APIO from the Department.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 18.08.2022 vide which Show Cause notice was issued to the respondent PIO along with directions to appear in person at Commission's office with a copy of information. The case was adjourned to 22.9.2022.
- In today's hearing, both the parties are present.
- The appellant states that nothing has been provided on account of sought for information till date.
- 4. Respondent, Sh. Amandeep Singh is present for today's hearing requests for an adjournment and assures that information will be supplied immediately.
- 5. After gone through the case file, it is observed that respondent PIO was consecutively absent twice on 11.05.2022 and 18.08.2022 without any intimation to the Commission in spite being registered post notice and orders issued to him by the Commission. On the previous hearing show cause notice was issued to him but reply to the same is still pending along with information to be supplied.
- 6. From the material on record, it transpires that there has been unnecessary delay in conveying the correct State of affairs to the appellant in respect to his request for information. No explanation for delay has been given by him. Rather, his failure to even respond to the directions issued to him by the Commission reinforces the fact that he has been without any reasonable cause guilty of remissness in the discharge of his duties, therefore, deserves to be penalized.

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7. In view of the defying attitude of the concerned respondent PIO, Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar neither attending the court nor submitting any explanation for the

directions issued to him within the time schedule as prescribed under the RTI Act 2005, the

court comes to a logical conclusion that it is a fit case for the imposition of penalty

amounting to Rs. 10000/- (Rupees Ten thousand only) upon the concerned respondent

PIO. However, taking a lenient view, I impose a penalty of Rs. 10,000/- (Rs. Ten thousand

only) on the respondent PIO. The Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the office of RTA,

Amritsar is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 10000/- from the salary of the

concerned respondent PIO and be deposited in the State Treasury in the following Head of

Account and to report its compliance to the Commission:-

"0070-Other Administrative Services

60 other Services

800-Other Receipts

86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005

8. To come up on 08.12.2022 at 11:00 AM for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy

of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 22.09.2022

(Anumit Singh Sodhi) **State Information Commissioner** Punjab

**Public Information Officer (By Name)** 

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### Sh. Gursewak Singh (7589218263)

s/o Sh. Baljit Singh Vill. Talwandi Saboo, Distt. Bathinda.

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer**

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o E.O., Nagar Panchayat Talwandi Saboo, Distt. Bathinda

Respondent

Complaint Case No.: 570 of 2021 Through CISCO Webex

Present:

- (i) Complainant Sh. Gursewak Singh
- (ii) Sh. Rajinder Kumar, Clerk (9417080618)

#### **ORDER**

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.08.2022 vide which show cause notice was issued to the respondent PIO. He was also directed to appear in person at Commission's office on the next date of hearing on 22.9.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing the complainant states that nothing has been provided to him till date.
- 3. The respondent states that information sought for as per RTI application relates to house of Sh. Munish where the complainant asks to supply the information about passing of naksha and construction thereon. He states that neither naksha nor construction of thereon has not been done.
- 4. In view of above, respondent PIO is directed to supply the reply to the complainant with a copy to the Commission, as he explained during the hearing within 10 days with a reply to show cause notice issued to him vide order dated 04.08.2022.
- 5. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- To come up on 07.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Vs

**Public Information Officer (By Name)** 

(Regd. Post) O/o EO, Nagar Council, Mansa

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Regional Deputy Director, Local Govt. Bathinda

Through CIS

Appeal Case No. 699 of 2021
Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Sh. Rajinder Kumar, the appellant.

(ii) Respondent-absent.

### **ORDER**

- 1. Refer earlier order dated 4.8.2022 vide which the respondent was given 10 days time to remove the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant. The case was adjourned for 22.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing the appellant states that he has pointed out deficiencies again on 16.9.2022 but the same are yet to remove.
- 3. The respondent is absent in spite of registered notice and telephonic calls.
- 4. In view of non-appearance of the respondent, one more opportunity is awarded to the respondent PIO to remove the deficiency as per RTI application within ten days after receipt of this order. He is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing.
- 5. This case is adjourned to **03.11.2022** at **11:00** A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing. Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.
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Respondent

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Sh. Pankaj Kumar (9988241285)

S/o Sh. Nabh Singh MCB Zone-6, H. No. 3225, Gali No. 1-B Surkhpeer Road, Bathinda-151001

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o M.C., Bathinda.

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o M.C., Bathinda. Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 2850 of 2021
Through CISCO WEBEX

**Present:** Appellant - Sh. Sanjeev Goyal on behalf of the appellant.

Respondent: Sh. Amardeep Singh, Secy.

Sh. Rajinder, Executive Engineer

Sh. Davinder

ORDER:

Dated: 22.09.2022

- 1. This case may be read with the reference of the previous order dated 18.8.2022 vide which inspection was fixed for 22.08.2022 and case was fixed for today's hearing i.e. 22.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present.
- 3. The representative of the Respondent / PIO, Executive Engineer, Sh. Rajinder Kumar states that the information (i.e. point number 1 and 2) relates with their department and the same has already been supplied to the appellant to his satisfaction. The information with regard to point No.9&10 has already been provided.
- 4. After discussing with both the parties and examining the case file, it is observed that no correspondence is received from the appellant after the previous hearing held on 18.08.2022, which is a sheer wastage of time and resources as no discrepancy letter is sent by the appellant.
- 5. In view of above, the court advises the appellant to point deficiencies, if any, in the supplied information within 7 days failing which it shall be presumed that the information supplied is sufficient.
- 6. Respondents are directed to remove the deficiency as per RTI application within seven days, once received letter from the appellant.
- 7. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- The matter is adjourned for further hearing on 24.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through WEBEX
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Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Director, State Transport Deptt., Pb., Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 22.09.2022

O/o Director, State Transport Deptt., Pb., Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 5498 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Appellant: Sh. Sarbjit Singh

(ii) Respondent: Sh. Rakesh Dhiman (SA) (9855810494).

**ORDER:** 

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 26.07.2022 vide which inspection was fixed for 01.08.2022. Respondent PIO was directed to supply the complete information on his visit. Both the parties were advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 22.09.2022 i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing, appellant states that he had visited on the fixed date (01.08.2022) but record was not inspected by him and he was in the respondent's office till 4 pm. He adds that respondent assured on 01.08.2022 that information will be supplied within 2 days but till today, information is pending.
- 3. After having a discussion with the respondent and examining the case file, a final opportunity is awarded to the respondent PIO to supply the information within ten days from today. He is also directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing.
- 4. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out ambiguity within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission.
- Matter is adjourned for further hearing on 15.11.2022 at 11:00 through CISCO WEBEX application. Announced in the court. Copies of order be sent to the parties.
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