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Shri Jagdish Singh
S/o Shri Sewa Singh
R/o Mari Buchia
Tehsil Batala,
District Gurdaspur.

..... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Gurdaspur.

....Respondent

CC No.685 of 2020

Present: (i) Complainant– absent.
(ii) Shri Anil Kumar, Superintendent/APIO, O/o D.C. Gurdaspur.
on behalf of PIO.

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing/On Mobile Phone)

1. The RTI application is dated 03.08.2020 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint has filed by the complainant in the Commission on 21.09.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called the RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.12.2021 by the Commission through V.C. in D.C. Office, Ludhiana. The Complainant Shri Jagdish Singh has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C.
3. Shri Anil Kumar, Superintendent/APIO O/o D.C. Gurdaspur comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. He states that the complainant has been supplied information vide letter dated 10.10.2020 and again on 04.11.2020. He further states that the complainant seeks registered deed on stamp paper which is not available in the office as the document on stamp paper is handed over to the concerned individual and non-stamp paper duplicate copy retained.
4. The complainant is contacted on mobile phone. He confirms the receipt of information. Regarding his demand for the copy of registration deed on stamp paper, he is

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apprised of the version of the APIO Shri Anil Kumar. The complainant agrees to it and expresses his satisfaction over the information supplied. He also gives his consent to dispose off the complaint and close the case.

5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The complaint case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
23.02.2021**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Manjit Singh

S/o Shri Gurcharan Singh
R/o Village Manemajra,
Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,
District Roopnagar.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o General Manager,
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation,
Chandigarh.

...Respondents

CC No.751/2020

Present:

- (i) **Shri Manjit Singh, Complainant**
- (ii) **Smt. Meena Bansal, Superintendent/APIO, O/o General Manager, P.R.T.C. Chandigarh, in person, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 04.08.2020 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed in the Commission on 06.10.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.12.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ropar.
3. Shri Manjit Singh, complainant has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
4. Smt. Meena Bansal, Superintendent/APIO, O/o General Manager, P.R.T.C. Chandigarh, comes present before the Bench in person to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. She states that the information has been supplied to the complainant vide letter 01.12.2020.
5. On the asking of the Bench, the complainant confirms the receipt of information from the PIO O/o G.M. PRTC Chandigarh, but he states that the information which relates to M/S S.S. Provider, has not been supplied to him.



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6. During deliberations in the matter, the APIO Smt. Meena Bansal states that M/s S.S. Provider is a private company and it does not come within the purview of RTI Act. Even then, the said company was asked to provide the information relating to them but the said company refused to divulge any information.

7. In view of the submissions made by the APIO present, the Bench is convinced that M/s S.S. Providers, being a private company, cannot be directed to supply the information and as such, the Bench feels that the complainant has been supplied information adequately.

8. In view of the above, **the complaint case is disposed off and closed.**
Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Amrik Singh

Block J/26/100, BRS Nagar,
Ludhiana.

.....Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Chairman,
Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

Remanded Back

First Appellate Authority

Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

CC No.681/2020

Present:

- (i) **Shri Amrik Singh, Complainant**
- (ii) **Shri Rama Shankar, Clerk, O/o Improvement Trust, Ludhiana
on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 09.06.2020 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed in the Commission on 18.09.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.12.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Shri Amrik Singh, complainant has come present to attend the hearing through V.C.
4. Shri Rama Shankar, Clerk O/o Improvement Trust, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been supplied to the complainant vide letter dated 18.02.2021 sent by speed post on 22.02.2021.
5. On the asking of the Bench, the complainant Shri Amrik Singh denies the receipt of information.

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6. The Bench observes that the complainant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant.

7. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

8. Post deliberations with the complainant and the representative of PIO, the instant matter is remanded to the First Appellate Authority i.e. Shri Amit Bemby, Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

9. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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First Appellate Authority

Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

CC No.680/2020

Present:

- (i) **Shri Amrik Singh, Complainant**
- (ii) **Shri Rama Shankar, Clerk, O/o Improvement Trust, Ludhiana
on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 16.06.2020 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed in the Commission on 18.09.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.12.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Shri Amrik Singh, complainant has come present to attend the hearing through V.C.
4. Shri Rama Shankar, Clerk O/o Improvement Trust, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been supplied to the complainant vide letter dated 18.02.2021 sent by speed post on 22.02.2021.
5. On the asking of the Bench, the complainant Shri Amrik Singh denies the receipt of information.

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6. The Bench observes that the complainant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant.

7. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

8. Post deliberations with the complainant and the representative of PIO, the instant matter is remanded to the First Appellate Authority i.e. Shri Amit Bemby, Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

9. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Remanded Back

First Appellate Authority

Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

CC No.675/2020

Present:

- (i) **Shri Amrik Singh, Complainant**
- (ii) **Shri Rama Shankar, Clerk, O/o Improvement Trust, Ludhiana
on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 16.06.2020 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed in the Commission on 18.09.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.12.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Shri Amrik Singh, complainant has come present to attend the hearing through V.C.
4. Shri Rama Shankar, Clerk O/o Improvement Trust, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been supplied to the complainant vide letter dated 18.02.2021 sent by speed post on 22.02.2021.
5. On the asking of the Bench, the complainant Shri Amrik Singh denies the receipt of information.

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6. The Bench observes that the complainant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant.

7. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

8. Post deliberations with the complainant and the representative of PIO, the instant matter is remanded to the First Appellate Authority i.e. Shri Amit Bemby, Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. He is directed to give an early date to hear the complainant and decide the matter. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

9. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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