

Jiwan Garg  
S/o Sh. Om Parkash Garg,  
H. No. B-1/473-A, Ward No. 23,  
Opp. Old Bombay Palace,  
Jakhal Road, SUNAM,  
Distt. – Sangrur (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Hon'ble District and Session Judge,  
Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Hon'ble District and Session Judge,  
Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 2899 of 2021

Present : Sh. Jiwan Garg , the appellant in person.  
None on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.  
The RTI request is dated 18.08.2020. First appeal is dated 20.10.2020. Second

appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.06.2021.

The hearing in the instant case, was fixed to be heard on 21.02.2022 could not held due to technical fault in connection of network and the case was adjourned for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

On an early hearing, held on 22.11.2021 ;

- i) The appellant stated that he filed a counter-reply in response to reply given by the respondent vide letter no. 6510 dated 20.09.2021.
- ii) Sh. Nardeep Singh Thakur, Superintendent-cum-PIO, stated that the reply sent by the appellant was received alongwith annexure of around 850 pages and requested for an adjournment to go through the reply (sent by the appellant) so that rejoinder could be filed.
- iii) He also intimated the Commission that a reply was sent to the Commission signed by himself intimating that office of Learned District and Session Judge, Sangrur has initiated the process to fill up the posts of Peons, Safai Sewak, Clerks and Stenographers and other administrative work is to be looked by himself.
- iv) An opportunity was given to the concerned respondent PIO to file a re-joinder to the reply dated 18.11.2021, filed by the appellant to the Commission and also send a copy of the same to the appellant.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that in compliance to the order dated 22.11.2021, the respondent has sent a reply vide letter no. 1414 dated 18.02.2022 signed by District and Session Judge, Sangrur, appended to which is a rejoinder (to the reply filed by the appellant) jointly signed by i) Public Information Officer office of District and Session Judge, Sangrur and ii) District and Session Judge, Sangrur-cum- First Appellate Authority, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 3537 dated 21.02.2022. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Jiwan Garg , who appeared in person in today's hearing, requested that a Division or Full Bench be constituted in the instant appeal-case.

Heard and examined all the documents placed in the case-file.

Both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to be present with the information (already/would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that decision in the instant appeal-case be announced.

The case is adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Mandeep Singh  
S/o Sh. Rattan Singh,  
Village Devi Nagar,  
Teh. & Distt. – DeraBassi,  
Distt. – S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,  
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,  
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 4015 of 2020**

Present : Sh. Mandeep Singh, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Gurprateek Singh, Senior Assistant(Estab. Branch), on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.  
The RTI request is dated 22.09.2020. First appeal is dated 24.10.2020. Second

appeal has been received in the Commission on 14.12.2020.

The hearing in the instant case, was fixed to be heard on 21.02.2022 could not held due to technical fault in connection of network and the case was adjourned for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

On an earlier hearing, held on 24.11.2021 ;

- i) The appellant stated that he visited the office of the respondent on 13.09.2021 and he was intimated that enquiry is going on and report would be given to him positively but till date document received.
- ii) Sh. Sandeep Kumar, Dealing Hand(Establishment Branch), stated that a letter was sent to office of Executive Officer (Rajesh Kumar), Nagar Council, Kharar vide letter no. 38879 dated 17.09.2021 with the directions to supply the required information.
- iii) As the RTI request is addressed to Director, Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh and the information demanded is regarding action taken report on a compliant no. 3810 dated 25.08.2020 filed against Executive Officer (Rajesh Kumar), Nagar Council, Derabassi, which is to be given by office of Director, Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh, hence, the oral-submission made by Sh. Sandeep Kumar, Dealing Hand(Establishment Branch), is not acceptable.
- iv) Hence, directions were given to the respondent PIO to file a proper reply under signature of concerned PIO to the query raised by the appellant through RTI request no him with a copy to the Commission.

- v) A copy of this order was sent through registered post to Executive Officer (Rajesh Kumar), Nagar Council, Kharar with the directions to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date fixed for hearing to clear the facts of this case.
- vi) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information/reply and also advised 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.

Sh. Gurprateek Singh, Senior Assistant(Estab. Branch), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that a reply has already been given to the appellant vide letter no. 6892 dated 18.02.2022 and again vide letter no. 14243 dated 29.04.2022. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 6893 dated 18.02.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 3586 dated 21.02.2022 and vide letter no. 14244 dated 29.04.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 9102 dated 02.05.2022. Both the replies are taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Mandeep Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and through a letter dated 17.05.2022, he has pointed out deficiencies in the supplied information and a copy of the same has also been sent to the Commission, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary no. 10286 dated 17.05.2022. It is taken on record.

After examining the letter dated 17.05.2022(sent by the appellant), it is found that at query no. 01, he demanded application dated 07.09.2021, which is after the date of the RTI request i. e. 22.09.2020 and at query no. 02, he demanded reply dated 17.09.2021 filed by Executive Officer (Rajesh Kumar), Nagar Council, Kharar, which is also after the date of the RTI request i. e. 22.09.2020, hence, not to be supplied. Only one query at point no. 03 regarding correction in the number of Civil Suit number is yet to be given.

Hence, directions are hereby given to the respondent PIO supply the remaining information at point no. 03 to the appellant through registered post with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not.

The case is adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing.  
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Jagjit Singh  
Aman Nagar, Street – 03,  
Back Side Green Land School,  
Near Jalandhar Bye Pass,  
Ludhiana(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan,  
Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan,  
Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 4055 of 2020**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant  
None on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 14.02.2020. First appeal is dated 25.05.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.12.2020.

The hearing in the instant case, was fixed to be heard on 21.02.2022 could not held due to technical fault in connection of network and the case was adjourned for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

On an early hearing, held on 24.11.2021 ;

- i) Sh. Rajeev Sagar, Superintendent-cum-APIO of Vigilance Cell, stated that the appellant did not visit the office of the respondent to inspect the relevant official record on 08.09.2021 as directed vide orders dated 08.09.2021.
- ii) The appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh, stated that he could not visit the office of the respondent and requested to fix another date to inspect the relevant official record.
- iii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 25.11.2021 at 04:00 P. M.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office and to supply the required information to the appellant.
- v) An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh nor the respondent is present in today's hearing. They have also not sent any intimation regarding their non-availability.

The respondent PIO has also not intimated about the fact whether the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant or not.

Moreover, the appellant has not sent any intimation whether he received the requisite information or not to.

Nevertheless, last and final opportunity is given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed to intimate the status of the instant appeal-case or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Janak Raj  
S/o Sh. Jangir Singh,  
Tiwana Street, Ward – 12,  
Near Gandhi School,  
MANSA(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Director,  
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,  
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab,  
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,  
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 4107 of 2021**

Present : Sh. Janak Raj, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Munish Garg, Senior Assistant(General branch), on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 05.10.2020. First appeal is dated 10.01.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.09.2021.

The hearing in the instant case, was fixed to be heard on 21.02.2022 could not held due to technical fault in connection of network and the case was adjourned for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

Sh. Munish Garg, Senior Assistant(General Branch), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant and a reply vide letter no. 7103 dated 18.02.2022 signed by PIO-Superintendent(General Branch), which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has already been given to the appellant vide letter no. 3520 dated 21.02.2022 . It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Janak Raj, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that information supplied to him by the respondent PIO is not as per queries raised by him through RTI request.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information as per queries raised by the appellant through RTI request and send a copy of forwarding letter of the same to the Commission.

Nevertheless, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to represent this case in person or through their representative alongwith the information (would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be recommended against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

If the appellant or his authorized representative would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that she is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab



Inderjit Singh  
S/o Sh. Sukhdev Singh,  
V.P.O. – Sabhra(Patti Narad Ki),  
Tehsil – Patti,  
Distt. – Tarn Taran - 143416(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Executive Engineer,  
P.W.D. (B & R), Construction Division - 2,  
Amritsar (Punjab)

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

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 2309 of 2020

Present : Sh. Inderjit Singh, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Dilbagh Singh, S. D. E., on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 19.05.2020. First appeal is dated 29.06.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 26.08.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 07.03.2022 ;

- i) The appellant stated that incomplete information was given to him by the.
- ii) Sh. Preet Kamal Singh, Superintendent, stated that part information was given to the appellant on 15.07.2021 during his visit to office and part information could not be supplied as record regarding material of site is not maintained in the department and a reply has been given to the appellant vide letter no. 3193 dated 04.03.2022.
- iii) The appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 08.03.2022 at 12:00 noon to identify the required information.
- iv) The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant during his visit to the office and to supply the required information to the appellant (identified after inspection) with a copy to the Commission.
- v) An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information 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.

Sh. Dilbagh Singh, S. D. E., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 3193 dated 04.03.2022 and vide letter no. 470 dated 18.05.2022. He also states that the appellant has not pointed out any deficiency in the information supplied to him till date. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 3194 dated 04.03.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 4708 dated 08.03.2022 and again vide letter no. 469 dated 18.05.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 10734 dated 20.05.2022. Both the above-said replies are taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Inderjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the information given to him by the respondent PIO is not satisfactory, moreover, not as per queries raised by him through RTI request.

Nevertheless, an opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed .

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> August, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Jasbir Singh,  
Village – Bholapur Jhabewal,  
P.O. - Ramgarh,  
District – Ludhiana (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Principal Secretary  
to Government. of Punjab,  
Deptt. of Local Government,  
Municipal Bhawan,  
Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03,  
Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Director,  
Deptt. of Local Government,  
Municipal Bhawan,  
Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03,  
Chandigarh
- iii) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The District Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Ludhiana (Punjab)

Encl ; RTI request dated 16.10.2020

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

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 1667 of 2021

Present : Sh. Jasbir Singh, the appellant in person.  
None on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 16.10.2020. First appeal is dated 16.11.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 01.04.2021.

On the last date of hearing, held on 07.03.2022 ;

- i) The appellant, stated that no information was given to him by the respondent PIO .
- ii) Ms. Kamaljit Kaur, Senior Town Planner (Town Planning Wing) and Sh. Mannveer Singh, Senior Assistant (LG – I Branch), stated that the information demanded through RTI request is regarding an unauthorized colony in Bholapur Village of District Ludhiana, which does not relate with Deptt. of Local Government and probably comes under related Gram Panchayat or Rural Development Office and replies were sent to the appellant as well as to the Commission, which are placed in the case-file.

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- iii) As the information demanded through RTI request is regarding an unauthorized colony in Bholapur Village of District Ludhiana, which does not relate with Deptt. of Local Government and probably (as version of representatives of PIOs of Town Planning Wing and LG-1 Branch) comes under related Gram Panchayat or Rural Development Office, hence, show-cause issued vide orders dated 13.12.2021 to the Public Information Officer office of Principal Secretary to Government. of Punjab, Deptt. of Local Government and Public Information Officer office of Director, Local Government, Punjab, was dropped and both the PIOs of the branches (Town Planning and LG – I Branch) of the Local Government were exempted from personal appearance in further hearings of this case.
- iv) On this, the appellant requested that as the RTI request is dated 16.10.2020, hence, directions be given to the office of Rural Development to provide him the required information.
- v) In view of the above-said observations, the RTI request was considered as afresh in the instant appeal-case and a copy of this order was sent through registered post to Director, Rural Development and Panchayats, S. A. S. Nagar alongwith RTI request with the advice to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request with a copy to the Commission or send a reply to the Commission.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

The appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 2531-32 dated 20.05.2022 signed by Deputy Director (Land Development Branch) office of Director, Rural Development and Panchayats, S. A. S. Nagar, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that the information demanded by the appellant through RTI request, relates with office of District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana and RTI request of the appellant has been transferred to Public Information Officer office of District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana under Section 6 (3) of the RTI Act with an intimation to the Commission. It is taken on record.

In view of all the above, Public Information Officer office of District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ludhiana be impleaded as necessary party in this case. A copy of this order be sent to him alongwith RTI request through registered post with the directions to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information, which would be sent to him by the respondent PIO 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.

**A copy of this order be sent through registered post to Director, Rural Development and Panchayats, S. A. S. Nagar to ensure compliance of the above-announced order.**

The case is **adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing.**  
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

Encl ; **RTI request dated 16.10.2020**

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

(Regd. Post)

The Director,  
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

Vinod Kumar  
S/o Sh. Parmanand,  
Village – Khuiya Sarwar,  
Tehsil - Abohar,  
Distt. – Fazilka (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Chief Executive Officer,  
Zila Parishad,  
Fazilka (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Addl. Deputy Commissioner(Dev.),  
Fazilka(Punjab)

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 5137 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
None on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on 09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 16.07.2021. First appeal is dated 18.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 12.11.2021.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Vinod Kumar nor the respondent is present in today's hearing. They have also not sent any intimation regarding their non-availability.

The respondent PIO has also not intimated about the fact whether the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant or not.

Moreover, the appellant has not sent any intimation whether he received the requisite information or not to.

Nevertheless, last and final opportunity is given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed to intimate the status of the instant appeal-case or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab



Harwinder Singh  
S/o Sh. Lacchman Singh,  
Village – Talwara,  
P. O. – Partap Singh Wala,  
Ludhiana - 141008(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Sr. Supdt. of Police,  
Jagraon,  
Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Sr. Supdt. Of Police,  
Jagraon,  
Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 5145 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Nirmal Kumar, A. S. I., on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.  
The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on

09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 31.08.2021. First appeal is dated 09.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.11.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Harwinder Singh is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Nirmal Kumar, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant through registered post on 29.12.2021 at his residential and a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 41 dated 07.01.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 703 dated 07.01.2022. It, alongwith a copy of postal-receipt, is taken on record.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not 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 and also send a copy of the same to the Commission.

Both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to represent this case in person or through their representative during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2022 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

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Ms. Kiran Sharma  
W/o Late Sh. Jagdish Sharma,  
Street – 42, Preet Nagar,  
Shimlapuri,  
Ludhiana – 141003 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Station House Officer,  
Police Station,  
Shimlapuri,  
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Commissioner of Police,  
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 5146 of 2021

Present : Sh. Sushil Kumar on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Jarnail Singh, A. S. I., on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on 09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 06.03.2021. First appeal is dated 05.04.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.11.2021.

Sh. Jarnail Singh, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

Sh. Sushil Kumar, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Ms. Kiran Sharma in today's hearing, states that no information has been received from the respondent PIO till date.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring the certified copies of the required information (as per queries raised by him through RTI request) with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that the same could be handed over to the appellant during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date fixed

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be recommended against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

If the appellant or his authorized representative would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that she is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab



Sushil Kumar  
H. No. 1410, Phase – I,  
Urban Estate, Dugri Road  
Ludhiana – 141013 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Station House Officer,  
Police Station,  
Shimlapuri,  
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Commissioner of Police,  
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 5147 of 2021

Present : Sh. Sushil Kumar, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Jarnail Singh, A. S. I., on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on 09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 26.02.2021. First appeal is dated 03.04.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.11.2021.

Sh. Jarnail Singh, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

Sh. Sushil Kumar, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been received from the respondent PIO till date.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring the certified copies of the required information (as per queries raised by him through RTI request) with the relevant official record in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that the same could be handed over to the appellant during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date fixed.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be recommended against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

If the appellant or his authorized representative would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that she is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Surjit Singh S/o Sh. Gokul Singh,  
V.P.O. – Jarg, Tehsil – Payal,  
Distt. - Ludhiana(Punjab)

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Block Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Doraha, Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Director,  
Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
S.A.S. Nagar(Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 5150 of 2021**

Present : Sh. Surjit Singh, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on 09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 13.08.2021. First appeal is dated 27.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.11.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Surjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Sh. Jaswinder Singh, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the RTI request filed by the appellant has not received in the office and requested that a copy of the RTI request be provided to him so that information could be supplied and seeks an adjournment in this case.

The appellant is advised to send a copy of the RTI request to the appellant and another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request, through registered post within a week from the receipt of the RTI request (which would be sent by the appellant) with a copy to the Commission.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information or not 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 and also send a copy of the same to the Commission.

The case is adjourned to 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2022 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

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Deepak Kalia,  
31, Kailash Nagar,  
Sodal Road,  
Jalandhar(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Commissioner of Police,  
Jalandhar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Commissioner of Police,  
Jalandhar (Punjab)

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 5152 of 2021

Present : Sh. Deepak Kalia, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Balwinder Singh, A. S. I., on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on 09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 02.03.2021. First appeal is dated 27.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.11.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Deepak Kalia, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Sh. Balwinder Singh, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing in the office premises, states that the appellant was called 10 -15 times telephonically to visit the office to deposit the fee and get the required information but despite giving several opportunities, neither the appellant attended the calls nor visited the office and in today's hearing, he has brought all the information of 246 pages. He also states that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 19 -A dated 19.05.2022 signed by Deputy Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, intimating that the information of 246 pages is ready to be supplied and the appellant has intimated through telephonic communication to the appellant to deposit the required fee to get the certified copies of the information. It is taken on record.

As the RTI request is dated 02.03.2021 and the respondent has not demanded the required fee within the stipulated time as per provisions of Punjab Right to Information Rules, hence, the respondent PIO is bound to supply the requisite information to the appellant 'free of cost'.

Accordingly, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 24.05.2022 at 03:00 P. M. to collect the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office on 24.05.2022 and supply the required information to the appellant 'free of cost'.

Sh. Balwinder Singh, A. S. I., would remain present during the visit of the appellant in the office premises.

The date and time of visit of the appellant in the office of the respondent has been announced to the parties during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO 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.

The case is adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Deepak Kalia,  
31, Kailash Nagar,  
Sodal Road,  
Jalandhar(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Commissioner of Police,  
Jalandhar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The Commissioner of Police,  
Jalandhar (Punjab)

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 5153 of 2021**

Present : Sh. Deepak Kalia, the appellant in person.  
Sh. Balwinder Singh, A. S. I., on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on 09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 01.03.2021. First appeal is dated 26.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.11.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Deepak Kalia, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Sh. Balwinder Singh, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing in the office premises, states that despite the fact that the information demanded through RTI request is 'third party' information, the appellant was called 10 -15 times telephonically to visit the office to deposit the fee and get the required information but despite giving several opportunities, neither the appellant attended the calls nor visited the office and in today's hearing, he has brought all the information of 282 pages. He also states that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 20 -A dated 19.05.2022 signed by Deputy Commissioner of Police, Jalandhar, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, intimating that that the information of 282 pages is ready to be supplied and the appellant has intimated through telephonic communication to the appellant to deposit the required fee to get the certified copies of the information. It is taken on record.

After going through the queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, it is found that the information demanded by the appellant through RTI request is not 'third party' information, moreover, the RTI request is dated 01.03.2021 and the respondent has not demanded the required fee within the stipulated time as per provisions of Punjab Right to Information Rules, hence, the respondent PIO is bound to supply the requisite information to the appellant 'free of cost'.

Accordingly, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 24.05.2022 at 03:00 P. M. to collect the information.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record during his visit to the office on 24.05.2022 and supply the required information to the appellant 'free of cost'.

Sh. Balwinder Singh, A. S. I., would remain present during the visit of the appellant in the office premises.

The date and time of visit of the appellant in the office of the respondent has been announced to the parties during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO 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.

The case is adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Bharpur Singh (Sarpanch),  
Village – Balad Kothi,  
Block – Bhiwanigarh,  
Distt. - Sangrur(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Block Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Bhiwanigarh,  
Distt. - Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The District Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 5154 of 2021**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on 09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 09.08.2021. First appeal is dated 10.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.11.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Bharpur Singh is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information could not be supplied to the appellant as required fee of Rs. 3950/- for certified copies of information (collectively in the above-said case i. e. A. C. No. 5154 of 2021 ; in other cases i. e. A. C. No. 5156 of 2021 and A. C. No. 5158 of 2021) has not been deposited by the appellant, which was demanded from him vide letter no. 418 dated 20.09.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 17 dated 18.01.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1517 dated 24.01.2022.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the RTI request is dated 09.08.2021 and he has not demanded the required fee within the stipulated time as per provisions of Punjab Right to Information Rules, hence, the respondent PIO is bound to supply the requisite information to the appellant 'free of cost'.

Accordingly, directions are hereby given to the respondent PIO to supply the certified copies of the required information as per queries raised by the applicant through RTI request 'free of cost' and send a copy of forwarding letter of the same to the Commission.

Nevertheless, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to represent this case in person or through their representative alongwith the information (would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab



Bharpur Singh (Sarpanch),  
Village – Balad Kothi,  
Block – Bhiwanigarh,  
Distt. - Sangrur(Punjab)

....Appellant  
V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Block Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Bhiwanigarh,  
Distt. - Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The District Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

### **Appeal Case No. 5156 of 2021**

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

#### **ORDER**

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.  
The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on

09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 09.08.2021. First appeal is dated 10.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.11.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Bharpur Singh is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information could not be supplied to the appellant as required fee of Rs. 3950/- for certified copies of information (collectively in the above-said case i. e. A. C. No. 5156 of 2021 ; in other cases i. e. A. C. No. 5154 of 2021 and A. C. No. 5158 of 2021) has not been deposited by the appellant, which was demanded from him vide letter no. 418 dated 20.09.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 17 dated 18.01.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1517 dated 24.01.2022.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the RTI request is dated 09.08.2021 and he has not demanded the required fee within the stipulated time Punjab Right to Information Rules, hence, the respondent PIO is bound to supply the requisite information to the appellant 'free of cost'.

Accordingly, directions are hereby given to the respondent PIO to supply the certified copies of the required information as per queries raised by the applicant through RTI request 'free of cost' and send a copy of forwarding letter of the same to the Commission.

Nevertheless, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to represent this case in person or through their representative alongwith the information (would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

Bharpur Singh (Sarpanch),  
Village – Balad Kothi,  
Block – Bhiwanigarh,  
Distt. - Sangrur(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Block Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Bhiwanigarh,  
Distt. - Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The District Development  
and Panchayat Officer,  
Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

### Appeal Case No. 5158 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.  
Sh. Sanjeev Kumar, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

#### ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The above-mentioned appeal/compliant case was earlier fixed for hearing on 09.02.2022 before the Commission. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner vide Office Order dated 21.02.2022, has re-allocated the case to the Bench of the undersigned for further hearing/hearings. Accordingly, the case is fixed for hearing for today i. e. 23.05.2022.

The RTI request is dated 09.08.2021. First appeal is dated 10.09.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.11.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Bharpur Singh is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Sanjeev Kumar Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information could not be supplied to the appellant as required fee of Rs. 3950/- for certified copies of information (collectively in the above-said case i. e. A. C. No. 5158 of 2021 ; in other cases i. e. A. C. No. 5154 of 2021 and A. C. No. 5156 of 2021) has not been deposited by the appellant, which was demanded from him vide letter no. 418 dated 20.09.2021. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 17 dated 18.01.2022, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 1517 dated 24.01.2022.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the RTI request is dated 09.08.2021 and he has not demanded the required fee within the stipulated time Punjab Right to Information Rules, hence, the respondent PIO is bound to supply the requisite information to the appellant 'free of cost'.

Accordingly, directions are hereby given to the respondent PIO to supply the certified copies of the required information as per queries raised by the applicant through RTI request 'free of cost' and send a copy of forwarding letter of the same to the Commission.

Nevertheless, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to represent this case in person or through their representative alongwith the information (would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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Date 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab