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Shri Gurnam Singh (9213513543) S/o Shri Joga Singh # J-4/20, Ist Floor, Khirki Extension, Malviva Nagar, New Delhi-110017

...Appellant

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

...Respondents

**APPEAL CASE NO. 5269 OF 2021** 

Versus

PRESENT: None for the appellant

Shri Balkar Singh, Superintendent, for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 06.08.2021, has sought the information regarding application for addition and deletion of name in the red card No.149 dated 26. 02.1986 in the name of father of appellant Sh Joga Singh, Village Panjtour, distt Hoshiapur – action taken report and date wise noting- when the card will be amended and sent back and will the newly added member be eligible for all Govt grants, subsidies and reservation quota as usual as Sh Joga Singh the last head of the family or not and other information as enumerated in the RTI application. The appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 25.09.2021, which did not decide on the appeal, after which the appellant filed a 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Hoshiarpur. The appellant is absent nor is represented.

The respondent present pleaded that the requisite information of Point No.1 & 3 has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 29.12.2021. The respondent further stated that the applicant has been advised vide letter dated 23.02.2022 to collect the red card duly amended/corrected from their office on any working day but the appellant has not visited their office for the same.

The respondent is directed to provide the original red card to the appellant by registered post. The respondent is further directed to send a copy of the postal receipt along with the forwarding letter to the Commission after the card is sent to the appellant by registered post.

The RTI application has been suitably replied to, and no further interference by the commission is required.

The case is disposed.

Sd/-Chandigarh (Khushwant Singh) Dated: 25.07.2022 **State Information Commissioner** 

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...Appellant

Versus

### **Public Information Officer**,

O/o The Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Garhshankar, Distt. Hoshiarpur.

### **First Appellate Authority**

O/o The Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Garhshankar, Distt. Hoshiarpur.

...Respondents

#### **APPEAL CASE NO. 5131 OF 2021**

**PRESENT:** None for the appellant

Shri Kamlesh Kumar, Superintendent, for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 17.03.2021 has sought information regarding providing a copy of Ref.No.88/ASDA dated 13.03.2006 – despatch No. & date, contact information and website link with email ID – present status of the application and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SDM Garhshankar. The appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 14.07.2021, which did not decide on the appeal, after which the appelant filed 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Hoshiarpur. The appellant is absent nor represented.

The respondent present pleaded that the requisite information/reply had been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 29.06.2021 stating that the application is entered in the Despatch Register vide No.44-A/ASDE dated 13.04.2007 and no further information is available in their record.

The RTI application has been suitably replied to, and no further interference from the commission is required.

The case is disposed.

Chandigarh Dated: 25.07.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

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Shri Amandeep Singh

# 462/2, Gher Sodhian,

PATIALA. ...Complainant

(8198888898)

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o The Secretary, SSS Board, Punjab, Sector 68, Mohali.

...Respondents

**COMPLAINT CASE NO. 1298 OF 2021** 

PRESENT: Shri AmandeepSingh, Complainant

None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The complainant through an RTI application dated 29.09.2021 has sought a copy of the action taken report on letter No.1/66/2013(2-A/1635 dated 23.07.2014 sent to Deputy Commissioner, Patiala, noting while issuing the said letter, copy of the application of Sh. Kuldip Singh and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana. The complainant was not provided with the information after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 26.11.2021.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. The complainant claims that the PIO has not supplied the information till date.

The respondent is absent nor is represented. However, vide email dated 25.07.2022, the respondent intimated that the reply to the RTI application dated 29.09.2021 is same as supplied to the complainant vide this office letter No.1/66/2013-6E(SSSB)/1607 dated 06.09.2021.

Having gone through the RTI application and available records in the case file, the Commission observes that more than 10 months have passed but the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent. Therefore, viewing the defying attitude of the PIO office of the Secretary, SSS Board, Punjab a Show Cause notice under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005, is issued to him to explain reasons through a duly attested affidavit as to why a penalty at the rate of Rs. 250/- per day, subject to a maximum of Rs. 25,000/- be not imposed upon him for the delay in the supply of information and also as to why a suitable compensation under Section 19 (8)(b) of the RTI Act, 2005, be not awarded to the complainant for the loss and detriment suffered by him. He is also afforded an opportunity for a personal hearing on the next date. The PIO is directed to file a reply to the show cause notice on a non-judicial stamp paper attested by the public notary and send the same to Commission within 10 days.

This is a complaint case, therefore, at this juncture, it is relevant to invite the attention of the complainant to the Judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India rendered on 12.12.2011 in Civil Appeal Nos.10788 of 2012 (arising out of SLP © No.32768/2010 un para 31 whereof, it has been held that while entertaining a complaint case under section 18 of the RTI Acy, 2005, the Commissioners have no jurisdiction to pass an order providing for an access to the information. Since the complainant has approached the Commission under the provisions of Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005, no directions for providing further information can be given by the Commission.

An alternative and efficacious remedy of the first appeal is available to the complainant under section 19(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 which has not been availed in the instant case. The complainant is advised to approach the first appellate authority.

I am marking this case to First Appellate Authority along with a copy of the RTI application to treat this as the first appeal of the complainant and decide the case within 30 days.

The case is disposed of and closed.

Chandigarh Dated : 25.07.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission

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...Appellant

Sh. Satwant Singh S/o Capt. Bidhi Singh, VPO Kurala Kalan, Via Tanda Urmur,

(9878284178)

Versus

District Hoshiarpur-144024

**Public Information Officer**, O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

**First Appellate Authority** O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

...Respondents

**APPEAL CASE NO. 4497 OF 2021** 

PRESENT: None for the appellant

Sh. Balkar Singh, Superintendent, for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 15.08.2021, has sought a copy of the action taken report on an application dated 09.11.2020 regarding appointing the appellant as village Numberdar of village Kurala Kalan and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur. The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 06.06.2021, which did not decide on the appeal, and then the appellant filed the 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

The case first came up for hearing on 09.12.2021 through cisco Webex in the bench of Ld. SIC, Sh. Hem Inder Singh. Both the parties were absent. The PIO was directed to supply the information to the appellant before the next date of hearing. The case has been reallocated to the undersigned bench.

#### Hearing dated 25.07.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Hoshiarpur. The appellant is absent nor represented.

The respondent present pleaded that the requisite information has been supplied.

I have gone through the RTI application and the reply given by the respondent. It is observed that the RTI application has been replied to sufficiently, thus, no more cause of action is required on this matter. Hence, the **case is disposed off**.

Chandigarh Dated : 25.07.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commission

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...Appellant

### **Public Information Officer,**

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Development), Hoshiarpur.

### **First Appellate Authority**

O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

...Respondents

#### **APPEAL CASE NO. 0225 OF 2021**

Versus

PRESENT: None for the appellant

Sh. Vikas Sharma, Superintendent, for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 28.08.2020, has sought a copy of the action taken report on the application dated 10.07.2020 through a which video of the village pond was sent, a copy of the investigation report, action taken against the village panchayat and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur. The appellant was not provided with the, information after which the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 14.10.2,020, which took no decision on the appeal. The appellant then filed a 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

The case last came up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Hoshiarpur. The appellant is absent nor represented

The respondent present pleaded that point-wise information has already been provided by the BDPO, Garhshankar, vide letter dated 27.07.2021. The respondent further pleaded that the appellant has given in writing that he has received the requisite information, and a copy of the same has been sent to the Commission for kind perusal and record.

Having gone through the RTI application and record in the case file, the Commission observes that sufficient information has been supplied to the appellant by the respondent, and no more action is left. Hence, **the case is disposed of and closed.** 

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Dated: 25.07.2022 State Information Commission

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Sh. Gurbax Singh Village Bholapur, PO Ramgarh, Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana141123

...Appellant

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer.**

O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala.

### **First Appellate Authority**

O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Sultanpur Lodhi, District Kapurthala.

....Respondent

#### **APPEAL CASE NO. 1562 OF 2021**

None for the appellant

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 02.08.2021 has sought a copy of the reassignment files received in the SDM office from January 2020 to 04.09.2020- the name of the clerk who deals with the motor transport in the office of SDM - the total no. of learning licenses issued during the period along with the names of the appellants be mentioned and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of SDM Sultanpur Lodhi. The appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 11.10.2020, which did not decide on the appeal, after which, the appelant filed a 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

The case was heard on 14.07.2021, 23.09.2021 & 24.11.2021 by the bench of Sh Hem Inder Singh, SIC Punjab, who on completion of his tenure demitted his office on 22.12.2021. The case was re-allocated to the undersigned bench.

#### Hearing dated 25.07.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana/Kapurthala. The respondent is absent nor is represented.

Having gone through the record in the file, the Commission observes that the respondent vide letter dated 11.06.2021 advised the appellant for inspection of the record. The Commission further observes that the appellant has been given several opportunities to go for inspection or plead the case at the commission, but the appellant has not availed of any of the provided opportunities.

The Commission further observes that the appellant keeps communicating via e-mails and does turn up for hearings to read out his arguments or plead the case, which defeats the very purpose of setting up these hearings whereby both the parties put forward their arguments to arrive at a conclusion as per the provisions of the law.

This case is disposed of due to the non-pursuance of the case by the appellant.

Sd/-(Khushwant Singh)

Chandigarh Dated: 25.07.2022 **State Information Commission** 

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Sh. Tejinder Singh Advocate Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanih Kender,

Phillaur-144410 ....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**.

O/o Sub-Registrar Dasua, Distt. Hoshiarpur.

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dasua, Distt. Hoshiarpur.

...Respondents

**APPEAL CASE NO. 4693 OF 2021** 

**PRESENT:** Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 04.05.2021, has sought 09 point information regarding the details of the total number of vasikas/registries done from January 2021 to 04.05.2021, copies of NOCs, list of unapproved colonies, names of old & new colonies, details of collector's work, a copy of the audit report of the audit conducted from 2018-19 & 2020-21 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Sub-Registrar, Dasuya. The appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 07.06.2021, which did not decide on the appeal, after that he filed 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana/Hoshiarpur. The appellant claimed that the PIO had supplied incomplete information.

The PIO is absent nor represented. However, a letter dated 19.07.2022 from the PIO has been received in the Commission on 25.07.2022 stating that the requisite information had been supplied twice to the appellant vide letters dated 16.06.2021 and 30.09.2021.

Having gone through the RTI application and record in the file, the Commission observes that the respondent has sufficiently provided the information, and no further cause of action is left.

Sd/-

The case is **disposed of and closed**.

Chandigarh (Khushwant Singh)
Dated: 25.07.2022 State Information Commission

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Sh. Tejinder Singh Advocate Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur-144410

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o Municipal Council, Mukerian, Disst. Hoshiarpur.

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o The Addl. DC(Urban Development)
Jalandhar.

...Respondents

...Appellant

**APPEAL CASE NO. 3381 OF 2021** 

**PRESENT:** Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant

None for the Respondent

#### ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 20.09.2021, has sought 10-point information regarding details of hospitals & commercial complexes in the vicinity of the Municipal Committee, action taken after the ban of plastic bags from April 2016, no. of employees, their names & mobile no- fee collected for parking of rehris from 2017 to 20.09.2020 - their license nos, renewals and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of MC Mukerian. The appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 15.05.2021, which did not decide on the appeal, after which the appellant filed a 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission.

The case first came up for hearing on 28.10.2021 on the bench of Sh. Hem Inder Singh, SIC, who demitted the office on 22.11.2021 and the appellant was directed to point out deficiencies, if any, in the supplied information. The case has been re-allocated to the bench of the undersigned.

### Hearing dated 25.07.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana/Jalandhar. The appellant claimed that he has received the information from the PIO on 04.11.2021, and deficiencies in the supplied information have been conveyed to the respondent.

The PIO is absent nor represented. The PIO is directed to supply certified information to the appellant by registered post after removing the deficiencies within 30 days and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

With the above order, the case is **disposed of and closed**.

Chandigarh (Khushwant Singh)
Dated: 25.07.2022 State Information Commission