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APPEAL CASE NO. 685 OF 2020

Sh. Harjit Singh, (9988181959) H. No.2019, Near Kanta School Sarai Bhola Singh, Putlighar, AMRITSAR.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, AMRITSAR.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, AMRITSAR.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: Shri Harjit Singh, the Appellant & Advocate Varinder Sharma

None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

Shri Harjit Singh has demanded certain information from the PIO O/o The Commissioner, MC, Amritsar vide his application dated 24.05.2019, when he did not receive the same from the PIO, he filed his first appeal with FAA on 07.12.2019. On getting no information from both the quarters, he filed his second appeal with the Commission on 06.02.2020.

- 2. Notice to both the parties has been issued for hearing on 16.07.2020 which was further postponed to 25.08.2020.
- 3. The appellant along Advocate Varinder Sharma is present for today's hearing and states that the demanded information has not been supplied by the Respondents till date.
- 4. The Respondent-PIO is absent today without any intimation to the commission which is viewed very seriously.
- 5. The Respondent-PIO is directed to file a written reply before the next date of hearing. He is further directed to be present personally or through his authorized representative to present the case on the next date of hearing failing which **Show Cause Notice** will be issued under the provisions of the RTI Act 2005.
- 6. Adjourned and to come up on 22.10.2020 at 11.00AM for further hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID No.913428845. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 691 OF 2020

Versus

Sh. Gurdev Singh, (9501004858) S/o Sh. Piara Singh, 250/8, Near Shah Mazar, Preet Clinic, Sarhali Road, PATTI, District Tarn Taran-143416

... Appellant

Public Information Officer.

O/o District Education Officer (SE), Tarn Taran.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The DPI(SE), 'E' Block, PSEB Complex, Phase VIII, SAS Nagar.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: Shri Gurdev Singh, the Appellant

None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

Shri Gurdev Singh has demanded certain information from the PIO O/o The DEO(SE), Tarn Taran vide his application dated 17.10.2019, when he did not receive the same from the PIO, he filed his first appeal with FAA on 10.12.2019. On getting no information from both the quarters, he filed his second appeal with the Commission on 07.02.2020.

- 2. Notice to both the parties has been issued for hearing on 16.07.2020.
- 3. The appellant states that he has received the sought for information and he is satisfied with the same. He further states that the case be filed.
- 4. Keeping in view of above, no more intervention of the Commission is required and hence, the case is ordered to be disposed and closed. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 744 OF 2020

Versus

Shri Ajay Nand/Ajay Kumar Mehta (9814646309) # C-118, East Mohan Nagar, Chamrang Road, Amritsar.

... Appellant

Public Information Officer.

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: None on behalf of the Appellant

Shri Kulwinder Singh, JE, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

Shri Ajay Nand/Ajay Kumar Mehta has demanded certain information from the PIO O/o The Commissioner, MC, Amritsar vide his application dated 06.11.2019, when he did not receive the same from the PIO, he filed his first appeal with FAA on 14.12.2019. On getting no information from both the quarters, he filed his second appeal with the Commission on 14.02.2020.

- 2. Notice to both the parties has been issued for hearing on 16.07.2020.
- 3. Shri Kulwinder Singh, JE, is present for today's hearing on behalf of the Respondents. He orally states that the demanded information of point No.1, 2 and 3 has already been supplied to the Appellant on 16.07.2020 and got acknowledgment of the same from the appellant.
- 4. The appellant is absent and he is contacted over his mobile phone who, in turn, states that he has received the information of point No.1-3 but information of point No.4 pending.
- 5. The Respondent states information point No.4 relates to Public Health / Sanitation Department, so the same is not available with their office.
- 6. On perusal of the case file it reveals that Respondent-PIO has not transferred the RTI within stipulated period to concerned branch/department. As such, Respondent-PIO is directed to retrieve the information and supply the same to the appellant by registered post before the next date of hearing failing which penal action under RTI Act 2005 shall follow.

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The Respondent-PIO is further directed to be present personally or through his authorized representative to present the case on the next date of hearing.

7. Adjourned and to come up on **22.10.2020 at 11.00AM for further hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID No.913428845.** Copies of order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1414 of 2020

Shri Ajay Nand/ Ajay Kumar Mehta,

(9814646309)

C-118, East Mohan Nagar,

Chamrang Road, AMRITSAR.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Senior Deputy Mayor, Municipal Corporation, AMRITSAR.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, AMRITSAR.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: None on behalf of the Appellant

None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

Shri Ajay Nand/Ajay Kumar Mehta has demanded the following information in his RTI from the PIO O/o The Commissioner, MC, Amritsar, vide his application dated 20.12.2019:-

"It is requested that you are a present elected member of Municipal Corporation and draws salary from the MC which is a Government Entity. Therefore, you are also a Public Information Officer.

- (a) You alongwith S/Shri Sunny Kundra, Kanwaljit Singh, Saurav Madan Mithu, Gurpartap Singh Happy etc. sitting with the MC has published a photo in the Punjab Kesri news-paper that now MC Suresh Sharma will blackmail the MCs. Clarify the same.
- (b) How many RTIs have been filed by MC Shri Suresh Sharma against your (the Deputy Mayor) and your department or officials/employees to blackmail them to force for compromise? Provide duly attested copies of those RTIs?
- (c) You alongwith S/Shri Sunny Kundra, Kanwaljit Singh, Sauras Madan Mithu, Gurpartap Singh Happy etc. sitting with the MC has published a photo in the Punjab Kesri news-paper that now MC Suresh Sharma will blackmail the MCs. Clarify the same.
- (d) Is some part of the above subject for which information has been sought related to some other public authority then the same be transferred under Section6(3) of the RTI Act 2005, to that department under intimation to him and this information may not be shared with any other agency."

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When the appellant did not receive the demanded information from the PIO, he filed his first appeal with the FAA on 28.01.2020. On getting no information also from the FAA, he filed his second appeal with the Commission on 04.06.2020.

- 2. The case is fixed for hearing for today. The appellant is absent, However, he is contacted over his mobile phone who states that the demanded information has not been received from the Appellant till date.
- 3. The Respondent-PIO is also absent without any intimation to the Commission.
- 4. After perusing the RTI of the appellant, it is ascertained that the information sought by the appellant is vague and not specific. It is also observes that there is no larger public interest. It is further observed that the appellant is misusing the RTI Act for his personal grievances as all are aware that the RTI Act is not means of grievances re-dressal.
- 5. In view of the aforementioned, **the instant Appeal Case is dismissed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO.0929 OF 2020

Shri Ashwani Kumar, (8054798600) S/o Shri Om parkash, # F9-1186, Gali No.5, Batala Road, VIJAY NAGAR, Amritsar.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer.

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: Shri Ashwani Kumar, the Appellant

S. Daljit Singh, Superintedent on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

Shri Ashwani Kumar has demanded certain information from the PIO O/o The Commissioner, MC, Amritsar, MC, Amritsar vide his application dated 16.11.2019, when he did not receive the same from the PIO, he filed his first appeal with FAA on 18.12.2019. On getting no information from both the quarters, he filed his second appeal with the Commission on 27.02.2020.

- 2. Notice to both the parties has been issued for hearing on 16.07.2020 which was further postponed to 25.08.2020.
- 3. The appellant is present for today's hearing orally states that the demanded states that information has not been supplied by the respondents till date.
- 4. The representative of Respondents appears and states that the appellant has already been replied vide their letter dated 14.11.2019 and 02.12.2019 that the demanded information relates to O/o the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar and the same be had from that office.
- 5. On perusal of case file it is revealed that RTI has not been transferred to O/o the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar. Therefore, Respondent-PIO is directed to retrieve the requisite information from the concerned quarters and supply the same to the appellant by registered post within 15 days under intimation to the Commission.
- 6. Both the parties are directed to be present personally or trough their authorized representative to present their case.

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7. The case is adjourned for further hearing on 22.10.2020 at 11.00AM for further hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID No.913428845. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1030 of 2020

Versus

Shri Pardeep Bhatia (9357938632) S/o Shri Amrit Lal Bhatia, #406, Partap Gali, Partap Bazar, AMRITSAR.

...Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/O Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/O Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: None on behalf of both the parties.

ORDER:

Shri Pardeep Bhatia has demanded certain information from the PIO O/o The Commissioner, MC, Amritsar, MC, Amritsar vide his application dated 07.11.2019, when he did not receive the same from the PIO, he filed his first appeal with FAA on 12.12.2019. On getting no information from both the quarters, he filed his second appeal with the Commission on 06.03.2020.

- 2. Notice to both the parties has been issued for hearing on 16.07.2020 which was postpone to 25.08.2020.
- 3. Today both the parties are absent without any intimation to the Commission and their absence is viewed very seriously.
- 4. The Respondent-PIO is directed to provide the demanded information to the Appellant by registered post before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission. He is further directed to be present personally or through the authorized representative on the next date of hearing to present the case failing which show cause notice will be issued under the provisions of the RTI Act 2005.
- 5. The appellant is advised to be present personally or through the authorized representative on the next date of hearing to present the case failing which the case will be decided on merit.
- 6. Adjourned and to come up on **22.10.2020 at 11.00AM for further hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID No.913428845.** Copies of order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1070 of 2020

Versus

Advocate Ravinder Singh, (9317561577) Shaheed Nagar, CHHEHARATTA, AMRITSAR.

... Appellant

Public Information Officer

O/o Deputy Excise & Taxation Commissioner, Amritsar Division, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Excise & Taxation Commissioner, Amritsar Division, Amritsar.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: Advocate Ravinder Singh, the Appellant

Shri Sandeep Sharma, Excise Inspector, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

Advocate Ravinder Singh has demanded certain information from the PIO O/o The Dy. Excise & Taxation Commissioner, Amritsar, vide his application dated 03.12.2019, when he did not receive the same from the PIO, he filed his first appeal with FAA on 20.01.2020. On getting no information from both the quarters, he filed his second appeal with the Commission on 11.03.2020.

- 2. Notice to both the parties has been issued for hearing on 16.07.2020.
- 3. Shri Sandeep Sharma, Excise Inspector, is present for today's hearing on behalf of the Respondents. He orally states that the demanded information has already been supplied to the Appellant.
- 4. The appellant is present and states that he has received the demanded information from the Respondents and is satisfied with it. He further requests the Commission to file the case.
- 5. In the light of above the Commission is not inclined to intervene further in the case as the demanded information stands supplied. As such, I order the case to be disposed and closed. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO.1382 of 2020

Shri Varun Khanna, (9356242125) Ist Floor, No.13, Mahajan Market, Gali Acharjan, Near Karmo Deori, AMRITSAR-143 001

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, AMRITSAR.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, AMRITSAR.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: Shri Varun Khanna, the Appellant

None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

Shri Varun Khanna has demanded certain information from the PIO O/o The Commission, MC, Amritsar, vide his application dated 30.12.2019, when he did not receive the same from the PIO, he filed his first appeal with FAA on 30.01.2020. On getting no information from both the quarters, he filed his second appeal with the Commission on 02.06.2020.

- 2. Notice to both the parties has been issued for hearing on 16.07.2020.
- 3. The appellant states that the sought for information has not been supplied by the Respondents till date.
- 4. The Respondent-PIO is absent for today's hearing on behalf of the Respondents. However, a letter addressed to the appellant with the copy to Commission from the Superintendent(Advt.)-cum-PIO, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar, received in the Commission vide Diary No.8689 dated 21.07.2020 stating therein that the demanded information has already been supplied to the appellant on 29.01.2020 and again on 15.07.2020.
- 5. During the course of hearing the RTI is discussed pointwise and it is observed that the Respondents have supplied the available information to the appellant. The appellant acknowledged the same.
- 6. In the light of above **the case is ordered to be disposed and closed**. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

Sd/(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3810 OF 2019

(9356242125) Sh. Varun Khanna

Ist Floor No. 13, Mahajan Market, Gali Acharian. Near Karmon Deori. Amritsar-143001

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer.

O/o The Director, Punjab Education Department (Elementary), S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director.

Punjab Education Department (Elementary),

S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali). ...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: Shri Varun Khanna, the Appellant

Shri Sushil Nath, Assistant Director-cum-PIO, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020.

- 2. The Representative of the Respondents orally states that the demanded information has already been supplied to the Appellant.
- 3. The appellant states that he has received the information in regard to point No. 1-9 on .4.02.2020. He further states that information supplied by the Respondent to point No.3, 4 and 6 is incorrect & incomplete and for which he has already conveyed deficiencies to the Respondents in the supplied information.
- 4. The Respondent is directed to supply the information after removing the discrepancies, duly attested, to the appellant by Registered Post before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission. In case no more information except already supplied is available in the Public Authority Record, file a proper affidavit from the Respondent-PIO on the next date of hearing. He is further directed to file a reply to the show cause notice issued to him vide order dated 17.06.2020 on the next date of hearing.
- Both the parties are directed to be present personally or through their authorized representative to present their case.
- Adjourned and to come up on 22.09.2020 at 11.00AM for further hearing through CISCO WEBEX meeting ID No.913428845. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

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Sd/-(Hem Inder Singh) State Information Commissioner

Copy to Intimation & Necessary Action(Regd.Post):-

Sh. Sushil Nath,

Assistant Director-cum-PIO, O/o DPI (Elementary), Service Cell, Punjab School Education Board Complex, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali).

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3116 OF 2019

Versus

Shri Jarnail Singh (9356041329) S/o Sh. Thakur Singh, House No.23/14, Nanad Nagar-B, TRIPRI, Patiala.

...Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o Additional Chief Secretary, Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Joint Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, PATIALA.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX - VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Sh. Jarnail Singh, Appellant/On Telephone.

Sh. Sham Lal Gupta, XEN for the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.08.2020.

- 2. The appellant has demanded the following information in his RTI:-
 - " Copy of the enquiry conducted against the accused officers/employees of MC, Patiala who lost the Diary Register and action taken against them be supplied".
- 3. The RTI application of the appellant is discussed during the course of hearing. The Respondent states that the demanded information is not available in public authority record as no enquiry has been marked and no action has been taken against any officer /employee. Respondent has also emailed a letter No.332-335-XEN dated 21.08.2020 in the Commission to this effect which is addressed to the appellant with a copy to Commission and the same is taken on record file. The above position is also apprised to the appellant during teleconferencing.
- 4. Shri Vishal Syal, Superintedent-RTI submitted his reply on 06.08.2020 to the show cause notice issued to him vide Order dated 04.03.2020. Considering his reply, the show cause notice stands dropped.

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5. In the light of above, **the case is ordered to be disposed and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sd/-(Hem Inder Singh) State Information Commissioner

Copy for Intimation and further necessary action to : -

Sh. Vishal Syal,Superintendent R.T.I.
O/o Municipal Corporation,
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APPEAL CASE NO. 4139 OF 2019

Versus

Sh. Hunardeep Singh Sohal, (9463459338) House No. 298, Village & Post Office Vallah, Amritsar-143501

...Appellant

Public Information Officer.

O/o The Director, Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director, Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

Present: Shri Hunardeep Singh, the Appellant

Madam Kulwinder Kaur, Sr. Assistant, on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.06.2020.

- 2. The Respondent is present for today's hearing and orally states that the demanded information has already been supplied to the Appellant through registered post vide letter No.LG-4/DLG/TSS-2020/23956 dated 18.06.2020.
- 3. The appellant states that the sought for information has been received and he is satisfied with it. He further requests the Commission to file the case.
- 4. In view of the above the information stands supplied and no more intervention of the Commission is required. Hence, **the case is ordered to be disposed and closed**.
- 5. Copies of order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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(Hem Inder Singh) State Information Commissioner

Copy to Intimation and necessary action:-Shri Kulwinder Singh,

Superintendent-cum-PIO (Trust Service Cell)

Local Self Government, Punjab Municipal Bhawan,

Sector 35-A, CHANDIGARH.