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Raman Kumar,

S/o Karori Lal, # 114, Street No. 6, Islamabad, Ram Nagar Colony, District Amritsar.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,** 

o/o Deputy Chief Engineer, Operational, Suburban Circle, Majitha Road, Power Colony, Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL), District Amritsar.

#### Complaint Case No. 437 of 2020 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Complainant) Absent Anishdeep Singh, Senior XEN (for the Respondent) 96461-13018

#### ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 19.11.2020, 21.1.2021, and 25.8.2021)

- 1. The complainant, Raman Kumar, filed this RTI application dated 15.10.2019 and sought information by way of certified copies of the status report of land acquired by PSPCL related to Khasra No. 754 situated in village Ajnala etc., from the PIO o/o Deputy Chief Engineer, Amritsar. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on 14.7.2020. The case was last heard on 25.8.2021.
- 2. The complainant is absent for the fourth time in succession. The respondent PIO, represented by Anishdeep Singh, Senior XEN, Ajnala, states that a reply along with the requested information was sent to the complainant twice, first on 29.7.2021 vide Letter No. 2100 and second on 18.11.2021 vide Letter No. 5102. This is complaint case and the Commission notes that it has taken more than 2 years in this RTI application which was filed on 15.10.2019, to be addressed.
- 3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to submit a written explanation why this RTI application was delayed. The PIO must also submit copies of his replies and the information supplied to the appellant, to this Commission. The respondent is directed to also explain why neither he nor his representative failed to attend three successive hearings of this appeal case.
- 4. Next hearing on 9.2.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Amritsar.

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Nanak Singh Bhati (Advocate),

S/o Sh. Sawinder Singh, Chamber No. 33, New Judicial Court Complex, Ajnala, District Amritsar.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Chief Agriculture Officer,

Ajnala, District Amritsar.

### Complaint Case No. 632 of 2020 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT: (Complainant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

#### ORDER:

- 1. The complainant, Nanak Singh Bhati, filed this RTI application dated 8.4.2021 and sought information regarding benefits given to farmers by Block Ajnala, office of Agriculture, from the PIO o/o Chief Agriculture Officer, Ajnala, Amritsar. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on 25.5.2021. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on 25.11.2021.
- 2. Both parties are absent. However, the respondent PIO has submitted a copy of the reply sent to the complainant vide Letter No. 312 Dated 11.10.2021, along with some 100 pages by way of information. The complainant is herewith granted an opportunity to examine the same if any deficiencies.
- 3. This is however a Complaint Case and the respondent PIO is directed to submit a written explanation as to why this RTI application was so delayed.
- 4. Next hearing on 9.2.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Amritsar.

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Sarabjit Singh, S/o Sh. Gurdeep Singh, VPO-Gumanpura,

Tehsil & District Amritsar.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Divisional Forest, District Amritsar. First Appellate Authority-cumo/o Conservator of Forests, Bist Circle, Old GTI Road, Chowk Maqsudan, District Jalandhar.

#### Appeal Case No. 1871 of 2021 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT:

Sarabjit Singh (Appellant) 95920-90681 Vishal Verma, APIO-cum-Forest Guard (for the Respondent) 81949-40000

#### ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **17.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding work orders etc.</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **20.10.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.4.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **25.11.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Vishal Verma, APIO-cum-Forest Guard, states that a demand for Rs. 1,63,863/- as copying charges was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 3644 Dated 28.9.2020, which was within the stipulated 30 day period. The appellant however, denies that he received any such letter and pointed out that this issue was not raised during the hearing of First Appellate Authority, where the respondent PIO was absent.
- 3. In view of the above, the respondent PIO is herewith directed to submit 10 pages of the dispatch register where Letter No. 3644 Dated 28.9.2020 has been entered. Said pages must include five proceeding and five succeeding pages to the page where the aforesaid letter, has been entered. This must be copied and duly attested by the respondent PIO. One copy is to be sent to the appellant and second copy is submitted to the Commission.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

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5. Next hearing on 9.2.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Amritsar.

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Navpreet Kaur,

W/o Harjinder Singh, # 11, SG Garden, Majitha Road, Naushera, District Amritsar.

Versus

#### **Public Information Officer**,

o/o Deputy Chief Engineer,
Operational, Sub Urban Division,
Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,
District Amritsar.
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer,
Operational, Border Zone,
District Amritsar

### Appeal Case No. 2680 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

#### ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 22.1.2021 and 25.8.2021)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **25.6.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the installation and use of generators etc.**, as enumerated in her RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.7.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.9.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **25.8.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. The respondent PIO however, telephonically informed the Commission that the requested information was sent to the appellant by registered post vide Letter No. 2073/74 Dated 12.1.2021. Copy of the same has been received in the Commission on 1.9.2021. The appellant is granted an opportunity to examine the same for any deficiencies.
- 3. Next hearing on 9.2.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Amritsar.

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Ashok Kumar,

S/o Sh. Rajinder Nath, # 1299, Morini Wala Khu, VPO Dera Bassi, District Mohali-140507

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o XEN, Maili Construction Division, Punjab, Chandigarh. First Appellate Authority, o/o Superintendent Engineer, Dholbaha Dam, Construction Division, District Hoshiarpur..

### Appeal Case No. 2317 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Ashok Kumar (Appellant) 98786-24416 Bhagwan Singh, Superintendent (for the Respondent) 97797-15057

#### ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 15.2.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information regarding Letter No. 14/AK Dated 20.1.2021, salary of Rajkumar, Superintendent and Ashok Kumar, Superintendent, and Letter No. 464 Dated 27.1.2021, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 27.3.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 13.5.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on 25.11.2021.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Bhagwan Singh, Superintendent, has submitted a copy of the letter sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 4093-95/32E Dated 24.11.2021 with partial information. The appellant has pointed out several deficiencies.
- 3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to arrange for the appellant to inspect the record in his office on 30.11.2021.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

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# Appeal Case No. 2317 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. Next hearing on 10.2.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Mohali.

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H.S. Hundal, #203,Judicial Courts, Sector-76, S.A.S Nagar, Mohali-160071

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, District Moga. First Appellate Authority, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, District Moga.

#### Appeal Case No. 2523 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

#### ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **22.1.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding vehicle no. PB29N9982**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.2.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.5.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **25.11.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. This Commission has not received any reply to this Commission's Notice of hearing Dated 29.6.2021 from the respondent PIO. However, the appellant in an email Dated 24.11.2021 informed the Commission that the respondent PIO supplied deficient and false information.
- 3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to submit a copy of his reply to the appellant alongwith the appended information, to this Commission forthwith.
- 4. Next hearing on 2.2.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Moga.

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

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Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, District Moga. First Appellate Authority, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, District Moga.

### Appeal Case No. 2524 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

#### ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **22.1.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding registration of vehicles</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.2.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.5.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **25.11.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present. This RTI application was submitted to the respondent on 22.1.2021. As per the appellant (email Dated 24.11.2021), the respondent PIO has not sent a single reply to this RTI application. This Commission takes a very serious view of the respondent PIO's conduct and deems it fit to serve him with this Show Cause Notice.
- 3. The respondent PIO is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **22.1.2021**.

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. Next hearing on 2.2.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Moga.

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 25.11.2021

**Cc:** Deputy Commissioner, District Moga, for information and further necessary action.