

Prem Kumar Rattan, H. No. 78/8,Park Road,Navi Mandi, Dhuri, Distt. – Sangrur (Punjab) (M.-8509580002)

V/s

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Dhuri, Distt. – Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4642 of 2022

Present : Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan , the appellant in person. Sh. Manjit Singh, Executive Officer(M.-9417338320), in person.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission

2. The RTI request is dated 13.06.2022. First appeal is dated 12.07.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 04.10.2022.

3. Sh. Manjit Singh, Executive Officer, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the requisite information, vide letter dated 17.11.2022 has already been supplied to the appellant and also submits a copy of reply vide letter no. 2857 dated 17.11.2022. It is taken on record.

4. The appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that he has received the required information in this case except query raised at point no. 01, 02 and 05 of the RTI request and he has intimated the respondent about this fact.

5. The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the remaining information at point no. 01, 02 and 05 of the RTI request to the appellant within a week.

6 With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 7th December, 2022 at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.</u> Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Date : 25th November, 2022



Prem Kumar Rattan,

H. No. 78/8,Park Road,Navi Mandi, Dhuri, Distt. – Sangrur (Punjab) (M.-8509580002)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Dhuri, Distt. – Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Sangrur (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4647 of 2022

Present : Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan , the appellant in person. Sh. Manjit Singh, Executive Officer(M.-9417338320), in person.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 27.06.2022. First appeal is dated 26.07.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 04.10.2022.

3. Sh. Manjit Singh, Executive Officer, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that a point-wise reply vide letter dated 17.11.2022 has already been given to the appellant and also submits a copy of reply vide letter no. 2859 dated 17.11.2022. It is taken on record.

4. The appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally expresses his dis-satisfaction over the reply given to him by the respondent PIO.

5. Nevertheless, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent PIO to inspect the relevant official record on 30.11.2022 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the required information at point no. 03, 05 and 21 and for rest of the information, the respondent PIO would file a reply in an affidavit particularly mentioning that no other information apart from the information supplied, is available in the official record.

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6. Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant, which would be identified after inspection.

7. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 7th December, 2022 at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.</u> Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 25th November, 2022



Ms. Kamaldeep Kaur, W/o Sh. Ajay Pal Singh,

V. P. O. – Gumtala, Near Govt. Dispensary, Amritsar (Punjab) (M.-98721-39640)

V/s

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Director General, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, (Crime Branch), Sector 68,S. A. S. Nagar(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director General, Vigilance Bureau, Punjab, (Crime Branch) Sector 68,S. A. S. Nagar(Punjab)

Public Information Officer,

i)

O/o SSP, Amritsar

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4162 of 2022

Present : Ms. Kamaldeep Kaur, the appellant in person.

Sh. Manjinder Pal Singh, APIO (M.-9592913888);

- ii) Sh. Sukhjinder Singh, Superintendent (9872083688) O/o
 - D.G.P.(Vigilance) (FAA), on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission

2. The RTI request is dated 09.05.2022. First appeal is dated 14.06.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 07.09.2022.

3. This case was last heard on 04.11.2022 and PIO office of S. S. P., Amritsar was impleaded as respondent party no. 02 as query raised point no. 01 of the RTI request lying in the custody of that office .

4. Sh. Sukhjinder Singh, Superintendent office of D.G.P.(Vigilance) (FAA), appeared in today's hearing.

5. Sh. Manjinder Pal Singh, APIO, 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 dated 22.11.2022 and also submits a reply vide letter no. 8040 dated 22.11.2022. He has also handed over the reply to the appellant today in the Commission.



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6. The appellant, Ms. Kamaldeep Kaur, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally points out that query raised point no. 01 of the RTI request is still pending.

7. Nevertheless, the respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the remaining information at point no. 01 of the RTI request to the appellant or file a reply on an affidavit that no more information relating to instant RTI application is available with them with a copy to the Commission.

8. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 26th December, 2022 at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.</u> Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 25th November, 2022



Udit Bhatia (Punjab) S/o Sh. Vijay Bhatia, House No. 2066/2 Sector 47C, Chandigarh -160047 (8283881375)

....Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer, O/o The Deputy Commissioner S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)
- Public Information Officer, O/o The Director, Animal Husbandry, Punjab Livestock Bhawan, Sector-68, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Deputy Commissioner S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

i)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4185 of 2022

Present : Sh. Udit Bhatia, the appellant in person.

- Ms. Charanjit Kaur, Superintendent (M.-8699238511) O/o Deputy Director, Animal Husbandry, Punjab ;
- ii) Sh. Avtar Singh, Veterinary Inspector, on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 18.03.2022. First appeal is dated 25.04.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 08.09.2022.

3. This case was last heard on 04.11.2022 and Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant or file a point-wise reply in an affidavit .

4. The appellant, Sh. Udit Bhatia, appeared in person in today's hearing.

5. Ms. Charanjit Kaur, Superintendent (M.-8699238511) office of Deputy Director, Animal Husbandry, Punjab, who appeared in today's hearing with Sh. Avtar Singh, Veterinary Inspector, submits a reply dated 21.11.2022 mentioning therein that they received RTI request of the appellant from office of Deputy Commissioner S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act. Further the respondent has sought an adjournment in this case.

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6. Today, both the parties mutually agreed that the applicant shall visit the office of respondent on 30.11.2022 at 11.00 AM, inspect the relevant records, identify the documents copies whereof are required by him; and the respondent shall provided copies thereof, according to his RTI application, within a fortnight, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 7th December, 2022 at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.** Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 25th November, 2022



Hardeep Singh Gill S/o Sh. Dilawar Singh, C/o Sukhjinder Singh S/o Sh. Dalbara Singh, Village – Baranhara, Near Saraswati School, Hambran Road, Ludhiana – 141008 (M.-8146768118)

....Appellant

- Public Information Officer,
 O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police,
 Jagraon (Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,O/o Station House Officer,Dakhan, Distt. Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Inspector General of Police, Ludhiana Range, Ludhiana(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5588 of 2021

V/s

Present : None on behalf of the appellant. Sh. Hamir Singh, A. S. I. (M.-9814279831), on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 27.11.2021. First appeal is dated 03.12.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 14.12.2021.

3. This case was last heard on 07.11.2022 and last opportunity was given to the both the parties to intimate the present status of the case.

4. The appellant, Sh. Hardeep Singh Gill, is not present in today's hearing.

5. Sh. Hamir Singh, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, seeks an adjournment in this case.

6. Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to file a reply to the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request in an affidavit by or on the next date of hearing.



Appeal Case No. 5588 of 2021

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 26th December**, **2022 at 12:00 P. M. for hearing**. Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 25th November, 2022



Hardeep Singh Gill S/o Sh. Dilawar Singh,

C/o Sukhjinder Singh S/o Sh. Dalbara Singh, Village – Baranhara, Near Saraswati School, Hambran Road, Ludhiana – 141008 (M.-8146768118)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Station House Officer, Police Station -Dakhan (Punjab) **First Appellate Authority,** O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police, Jagraon (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5590 of 2021

V/s

Present : None on behalf of the appellant. Sh. Hamir Singh, A. S. I. (M.-9814279831), on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 27.11.2021. First appeal is dated 03.11.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 14.12.2021.

3. This case was last heard on 07.11.2022 and last opportunity was given to the both the parties to intimate the present status of the case.

4. The appellant, Sh. Hardeep Singh Gill, is not present in today's hearing.

5. Sh. Hamir Singh, A. S. I., who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing and seeks an adjournment in this case.

6. Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to file a reply to the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request in an affidavit by or on the next date of hearing.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 26th December, 2022 at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.** Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Date : 25th November, 2022



Sh. Jaspal, S/o Sh Munish Ram, R/o Village Bhindi Aulakh Khurd, Tehsil Ajnala, Distt Amritsar

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Bhindi Aulakh Khurd, Block Chaugawan, Ajnala, Distt Amritsar

.....Respondent

CC No.42 of 2022

Present:

(i) Sh. Jaspal the complainant(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent

<u>ORDER</u>

The brief facts of the case are that the Complainant Sh. Jaspal has filed his RTI with the PIO, Panchayat Secretary on 24.05.2021. On not receiving any information he has filed his complaint with the Commission on 17.01.2022.

2. During the first hearing, i.e. on 13.06.2022, before the benches of former SIC, Sh. Sanjeev Garg, the respondent was absent and a show cause notice was issued to the respondent-PIO. Accordingly, the appeal was adjourned on 01.08.2022. On 01.08.2022, neither the respondent nor the complainant was present. Further, the above said complaint case was transferred to the undersigned and the notice was issued to the parties for 27.10.2022. On 27.10.2022 the respondent was again absent.

3. The perusal of the file shows that during the hearing dated 13.06.2022, a show cause notice was issued to the respondent-PIO, but till today neither the respondent has bothered to appear before the Commission nor he has to file any reply to the show cause notice. Hence, it is derived that the respondent-PIO is intentionally delaying the supply of information and he has no respect for the orders of the Commission to be present, either himself or through his representative in the Court.



C<u>C.No. 42 of 2022</u>

4. In view of the defying attitude of the respondent-PIO neither attending the court nor submitting any explanation for the delay in supplying the information within the time schedule as prescribed under the RTI Act 2005, the court comes to a logical conclusion that it is a fit case for the imposition of penalty amounting to Rs. 15000/- (Rupees Fifteen thousand only) on the PIO. Therefore, taking a lenient view, I impose a penalty of **Rs. 15000/-** (**Rs. Fifteen thousand only) on the respondent-PIO, o/o** Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Bhindi Aulakh Khurd, Block Chaugawan, Ajnala, Distt Amritsar. *DDPO, Amritsar is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs.* **15000/-** from the salary of Respondent-PIO and deposited in the State Treasury in the following Head of Account and to report its compliance to the Commission:-

"0070-Other Administrative Services 60 other Services

800-Other Receipts

86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005"

5. Further, the Respondent-PIO is directed to be present personally on the next date of hearing alongwith the complete information.

6. To come up on **16.01.2023 at 12.00 PM for further proceedings in the Commission.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Date : 25th November, 2022

CC: (i) District Development and Panchayat Officer, Amritsar (ii) Director Rural Development and Panchayats, Sector 62, Mohali