

Rajesh Kumar,
Ward No. 5, Near Hind Hospital,
Ahmedgarh, Distt. - Sangrur (Punjab)

...Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur (Punjab)

... Respondent

Complaint Case No. 369 of 2019

Present : Sh. Rajesh Kumar, the complainant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 24.02.2020 and adjourned for 31.03.2020 (was postponed) and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08.2020. On the hearing, held on 24.02.2020, the complainant stated that PIO through a reply vide letter no. 6995 dated 20.02.2020, only information regarding PB 13 AW 2516 ; PB 13 AW 2515 ; PB 13 AR 6015 ; PB 13 L 7998 he does not need full details of vehicle only type/name of vehicle and owner name of the remaining vehicles i. e. PB 13 N 9069 ; PB 13 V 9119 ; PB 13 R 5364 ; PB 13 V 9114 ; PB 13 9114 ; PB 13 R 7615 ; PB 13 R 6599 ; PB 13 A 5563 (mentioned in his letter dated 21.01.2020) be supplied to him.

The complainant, Sh. Rajesh Kumar , who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that till date complete information has not been received by him.

The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 173 dated 25.08.2020 signed by Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing as he is on leave for the period from 24.08.2020 to 27.08.2020 and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to remove the deficiencies, pointed out by the complainant through letter dated 21.01.2020, by the next date of hearing with a copy to the Commission.

The complainant is advised to confirm whether he has received the information or not by the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 14th October, 2020 (Wednesday) 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 :26th August, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Prem Singh S/o Sh. Mehar Singh,
Asstt. Transport Officer (Retd.),
H. No. 914, Phase – 07,
S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2129 of 2019

Present : Sh. Prem Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Sham Lal, Asstt. Transport Officer-cum-PIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 03.02.2020 and adjourned for 30.03.2020 (was postponed) and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08.2020. On that hearing, held on 03.02.2020, an opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned either to supply certified copies of the required information to the appellant or if the required information is not found available in the official record, he/she (the respondent-PIO concerned) was directed to file a written reply in the shape of an affidavit.

The appellant, Sh. Prem Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Sh. Sham Lal, Asstt. Transport Officer-cum-PIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, requested for an adjournment in this case.

Last and final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned either to supply certified copies of the required information as per official record to the appellant by or on the next date of hearing or if the required information is not found available in the official record, he/she (the respondent-PIO concerned) will send a written reply in the shape of an affidavit to the appellant through registered post, stating that the required information is not available in the official record or has gone missing by the next date of hearing. He is also directed to send a copy of the affidavit with a copy of postal receipt in the Commission by the next date of hearing to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.

The case is **adjourned to 2nd November, 2020 (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 :26th August, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Prem Singh S/o Sh. Mehar Singh,
Asstt. Transport Officer (Retd.),
H. No. 914, Phase – 07,
S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2130 of 2019

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

ORDER

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

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 03.02.2020 and adjourned for 30.03.2020 (was postponed) and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08.2020. On the hearing, held on 03.02.2020, another opportunity was given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post and an opportunity was given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed.

The appellant, Sh. Prem Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that till date complete information has not been supplied to him by the respondent.

The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 174 dated 25.08.2020 signed by Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing as he is on leave for the period from 24.08.2020 to 27.08.2020 and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and send a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) by the next date of hearing.

The appellant is advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed.

The case is **adjourned to 9th September, 2020 (Wednesday) 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 :26th August, 2020

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

Prem Singh S/o Sh. Mehar Singh,
Asstt. Transport Officer (Retd.),
H. No. 914, Phase – 07,
S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s
Public Information Officer,
(Regd. Post) O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Jalandhar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2131 of 2019

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

ORDER

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

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 03.02.2020 and adjourned for 30.03.2020 (was postponed) and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08 .2020. On the hearing, held on 03.02.2020, Sh. Vikram Singh, Clerk, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO and submitted a reply vide letter no. 1286 dated 27.01.2020, signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Section Officer office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar and also handed over a copy of the same to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission. The appellant, pointed out certain deficiencies in the information given, during the hearing. Accordingly, last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the remaining information to the appellant, after removing the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant during the hearing, through registered post. An opportunity was given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not.

The appellant, Sh. Prem Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Neither the respondent PIO of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability, moreover, he has also not sent any document, showing that remaining information has been supplied to the appellant, which reflects that he is trying to delay in supplying the complete information to the information-seeker. The Commission takes serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

For making delay in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, a penalty of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only) is imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar. **A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.**

The amount of penalty will be deposited in the treasury of Punjab Government under the head.....

Major Head .. 0070 -Other Administrative Services
Sub-Major Head .. 60 - Other Services
Minor Head .. 800 - Other Receipts
Sub-Head .. 86 - Fee under the Right to Information Act, 2005
Detailed Head .. 0070 Other Administrative Services
60 Other Services- 800- Other Receipts-
86- Fees under the Right to Information Act, 2005

And a copy of challan receipt be sent to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

Last and final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the remaining information to the appellant through registered post with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing. He is also directed to appear in person before the Commission to represent this case on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'. **A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.**

An opportunity is given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not by the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 2nd November, 2020 (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 :26th August, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Prem Singh
S/o Sh. Mehar Singh,
Asstt. Transport Officer (Retd.),
H. No. 914, Phase – 07,
S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Hoshiarpur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 183 of 2020

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

ORDER

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

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 25.03.2020 (was postponed)
and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08.2020.

The RTI request is dated 18.05.2019. First appeal is dated 17.07.2019.
Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 01.01.2020.

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

Neither the respondent PIO of office of Secretary, Regional Transport
Authority, Hoshiarpur nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has
also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. The Commission took a
serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO, moreover, the requisite
information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker
even after a period of more than one year.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to
Public Information Officer concerned of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Hoshiarpur, as to
why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI
applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the
RTI Act, 2005.

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The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address before the next date of hearing and produce a copy of the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the appellant, before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. He is also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 2nd November, 2020 (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 :26th August, 2020

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

Prem Singh S/o Sh. Mehar Singh,
Asstt. Transport Officer (Retd.),
H. No. 914, Phase – 07,
S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s
Public Information Officer,
(Regd. Post) O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 184 of 2020

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

ORDER

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

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 25.03.2020 (was postponed)
and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08.2020.

The RTI request is dated 27.03.2019. First appeal is dated 14.06.2019.
Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 01.01.2020.

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

Neither the respondent PIO of office of Secretary, Regional Transport
Authority, Hoshiarpur nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has
also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. The Commission took a
serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO, moreover, the requisite
information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker
even after a period of more than one year.

**In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to
Public Information Officer concerned of office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chandigarh, as to
why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI
applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the
RTI Act, 2005.**

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address before the next date of hearing and produce a copy of the postal receipt, through which information would be sent to the appellant, before the Commission on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. He is also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 2nd November, 2020 (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 :26th August, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Balvir Singh Saini,
H. No. 349, Street No. 03,
Dashmesh Nagar,
Digana Road,
Hoshiarpur(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Technical Education
& Industrial Training, Pb.,
(I T Wing), Plot no. 1,
Sector 36-A, Chandigarh
- ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Superintendent,
Department of Technical Education
& Industrial Training, Pb.,
(Tech. Edu. – 1 Branch),
Civil Secretariat – 2,
Sector 9, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Technical Education
& Industrial Training, Pb.,
(I T Wing), Plot no. 1,
Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2241 of 2019

Present : Sh. Balvir Singh Saini, the appellant in person.
Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director-cum-PIO O/o Director, Technical Education & Industrial Training Department (I T Wing), in person and none appeared from office of Technical Education & Industrial Training Department (Tech. Edu. 1 Branch).

ORDER

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

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 26.02.2020 and adjourned for 05.05.2020 (was postponed) and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08.2020. On that hearing, held on 26.02.2020, Superintendent-cum-PIO office of Technical Education & Industrial Training Department (Tech. Edu. 1 Branch) was impleaded as party in this case with the directions to supply information at point no. 01 of the RTI request and Deputy Director office of Technical Education & Industrial Training Department (I T Wing) was directed to supply information at point no. 02 of the RTI request to the appellant .

The appellant, Sh. Balvir Singh Saini, who appeared in today's hearing, states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director-cum-PIO, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that a reply vide letter no. 14 dated 26.08.2020 has been sent to the appellant, intimating him that regarding point no. 02 of the RTI request, enquiry was conducted but report of the same has not been submitted yet.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 542 dated 26.08.2020 which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 10623 dated 26.08.2020 has intimated the Commission that a reply vide letter no. 14 dated 26.08.2020 has been sent to the appellant, intimating him that regarding point no. 02 of the RTI request, enquiry was conducted but report of the same has not been submitted yet. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

As Superintendent-cum-PIO office of Technical Education & Industrial Training Department (Tech. Edu. 1 Branch) was impleaded as party in this case with the directions to supply information at point no. 01 of the RTI request, but none is present from the above-said office, hence, another opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO of office of Technical Education & Industrial Training Department (Tech. Edu. 1 Branch) to supply information at point no. 01 of the RTI request to the appellant by the next date of hearing. He is also directed to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' positively to clear the facts of this case. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

The case is **adjourned to 2nd November, 2020 (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 :26th August, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Regd. Post) Deepak Bholewasia S/o Sh. Surender Kumar,
Mamdot Utter,
Teh. & Distt. - Ferozepur (Punjab)
V/s

...Appellant

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 27 of 2020

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Ravinder Singh, Clerk, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

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

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 17.03.2020 and adjourned for 20.05.2020 (was postponed) and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08.2020. On that hearing, held on 17.03.2020, the appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent on 15.04.2020 to inspect the official record to specify the information so that same could be supplied to him by the respondent PIO.

The appellant, Sh. Deepak Bholewasia, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Ravinder Singh, Clerk, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, intimates the Commission that inspection of the official-record (as directed vide orders dated 17.03.2020) could not be done due to Covid-19.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 24.09.2020 at 11:00 A. M. so that the appellant could identify the information. The appellant is also advised to visit the office of the respondent to inspect the official record on 24.09.2020 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

The respondent-PIO concerned and Sh. Ravinder Singh, Clerk, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record. The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection, or not and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is **adjourned to 2nd November, 2020 (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 through registered post.

(Sanjiv Garg)

Date : 26th August, 2020

State Information Commissioner
Punjab

(Regd. Post) Deepak Bholewasia
S/o Sh. Surender Kumar,
Mamdot Utter,
Teh. & Distt. - Ferozepur (Punjab) ...Appellant

(Regd. Post) V/s
Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,
Sector 17, Chandigarh ...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 28 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'.

This case was earlier fixed for hearing for 17.03.2020 and adjourned for 20.05.2020 (was postponed) and fixed for hearing for today i. e. 26.08.2020. On the hearing, held on 26.08.2020, the appellant was advised to visit the office of the respondent on 27.03.2020 to inspect the official record to specify the information so that same could be supplied to him by the respondent PIO.

The appellant, Sh. Deepak Bholewasia, is not present in today's hearing.

The respondent PIO through a reply, signed by Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail dated 24.08.2020, has intimated the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing as he is on leave for the period from 24.08.2020 to 27.08.2020 and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 17.09.2020 at 11:00 A. M. so that the appellant could identify the information. The appellant is also advised to visit the office of the respondent to inspect the official record on 17.09.2020 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

The respondent-PIO concerned would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record. The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO after inspection, or not and also to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative, on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The case is **adjourned to 14th October, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties through registered post.

Date :26th August, 2020

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

(Regd. Post) Munish Kaushal
S/o Sh. N. D. Kaushal,
H. No. 13 – D, Passi Road,
Patiala - 147001(Punjab) ...Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Deputy Secretary,
Pb. State Power Corporation Limited(P.S.P.C.L.),
Patiala (Punjab)

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chief Engineer/H.R.D.,
Pb. State Power Corporation Limited(P.S.P.C.L.),
Patiala (Punjab) ...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 385 of 2020

Present : Sh. Munish Kaushal, the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Dharamvir Saini, Deputy Secretary (Services – II) ;
ii) Sh. Rakesh Kokria, Superintending Engineer(Technical) , on behalf
of the respondent.

ORDER

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

This case was last heard on 06.08.2020 and Sh. Harjinder Singh, Deputy Secretary of Services – II Branch, stated that whatever information relates with Services – II Branch had already been supplied to the appellant. Sh. Rakesh Kokria, Superintending Engineer of Technical Branch, also stated that the remaining information could not be send at mail address of the appellant as the mail ID of the appellant was not available in the office. The appellant, stated that he will provide his mail ID to the office of the respondent so that he could receive the information through mail. The appellant also intimated that the remaining information at point no. 04 is still not clear, moreover, fake and tempered and he had sent an affidavit stating that the information already supplied to him is tempered and there are copies of certain information, in which tempering was done on the attendance sheet of certain dates, moreover, presence of some of the officials has been marked on holidays. During the court, Ms. Yogita Sharma (wife of the appellant (Sh. Munish Kaushal), who is working in the office of the respondent, had also stated few words, intimating that in the instant appeal case, she was involved as Ms. Madhuri Saxena, Senior Sports Officer has given her the copies of the attendance-register on 09.07.2020 to certify the same and when she has demanded the original attendance-register from her (Ms. Madhuri Saxena) so that the same could be verified, she said that she will provide it within a day or two and

on her words, she signed the sheets. She further intimated that by 15.07.2020, original attendance-register was not shown to her by Ms. Madhuri Saxena and she became doubtful and she had intimated to the concerned S. E. and also talked to Ms. Madhuri Saxena and she (Ms. Madhuri Saxena) said that she would send the documents under her own signature. Accordingly after talking to Ms. Madhuri Saxena, she cancelled her (Ms. Yogita Sharma herself's) signed sheets and took photos of the same. Afterwards, when she examined the photo copies of the cancelled sheets and the sheets sent by Ms. Madhuri Saxena, she found that doubling and tempering has been made. On this, Sh. Rakesh Kokria, Superintending Engineer(Technical), states that he would enquire the matter. Accordingly, Sh. Rakesh Kokria, Superintending Engineer (Technical) was directed to look into the matter and give an opportunity to Ms. Yogita Sharma to visit his office to examine the documents i. e. cancelled sheets by Ms. Yogita Sharma and sheets, signed by Ms. Madhuri Saxena and send a status report under his signatures (Superintending Engineer(Technical), to the Commission within a week from that day.

The appellant, Sh. Munish Kaushal , who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the remaining information at point no. 04 is still not received from the respondent PIO.

Sh. Dharamvir Saini, Deputy Secretary (Services – II) and Sh. Rakesh Kokria, Superintending Engineer(Technical), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, state that the remaining information at point no. 04 has been supplied to the appellant and in compliance to the order dated 06.08.2020, a status report under signatures of Superintending Engineer(Technical), has been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 150 dated 14.08.2020.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO has sent a reply vide letter no. 150 dated 14.08.2020 signed by PIO/Superintending Engineer(Technical), P.S.P.C.L, Patiala, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 10616 dated 26.08.2020. It is taken on record.

After hearing the parties i. e. the appellant, Sh. Munish Kaushal and Ms. Yogita Sharma (wife of the appellant (Sh. Munish Kaushal), Sh. Dharamvir Saini, Deputy Secretary (Services – II) and Sh. Rakesh Kokria, Superintending Engineer(Technical), it emerges that Ms. Madhuri Saxena, Senior Sports Officer's cadre

was changed from Foreman to Sport's Officer and the appellant is demanding the office order/(BOD) Board of Department's decision, through which the cadre of Ms. Madhuri Saxena was changed.

The respondent stated during the hearing that office order would be provided to the Commission as well as to the appellant positively.

During the Court, the appellant, Sh. Munish Kaushal, raised another point regarding attendance sheets i. e. attested by Ms. Yogita Sharma earlier, which were later cancelled by her (Ms. Yogita Sharma) and the information was supplied later, after getting it certified from Ms. Madhuri Saxena, Senior Sports Officer.

On this point, the respondent stated that a reply has already been sent to the Commission, intimating that the attendance sheets i. e. attested by Ms. Yogita Sharma earlier, which were later cancelled by her, has been destroyed, however, copy of attested attendance sheets for the month of 04/2016 signed by Ms. Yogita Sharma and on which it was written cancelled was produced by Ms. Yogita Sharma on 13.08.2020 and she was allowed to compare and examine with the already supplied copy of attendance sheet to Mr. Munish Kaushal.

Ms. Yogita Sharma, stated that she will provide the photocopies of the attendance sheets, which were attested by her and later on cancelled by her (which were destroyed by the respondent office), to the respondent by tomorrow.

Accordingly, Ms. Yogita Sharma (wife of the appellant (Sh. Munish Kaushal), is advised to provide the above-mentioned attendance sheets to the respondent with a copy to the Commission and the respondent PIO concerned is directed to file a proper reply as status report specifying the fact that whether cadre of Ms. Madhuri Saxena, Senior Sports Officer's was changed from Foreman to Sport's Officer and if cadre was changed from Foreman to Sport's Officer then the respondent PIO is directed to submit/send a copy of the office order/copy of (BOD) Board of Director's decision, through which the cadre of Ms. Madhuri Saxena was changed from Foreman to Sport's Officer, to the Commission by the next date of hearing positively.

The case is **adjourned to 23rd September, 2020 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties **through registered post.**

Date :26th August, 2020

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