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APPEAL CASE NO. 744 OF 2020

Sh. Ajay Kumar Mehta (9814646309)
C-118, East Mohan Nagar,
Chamrang Road, 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: None for the Parties.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 07.07.2021.

The Appellant is absent. However, he has emailed in the Commission mentioning therein that he has not received the information relating to point no. 4 of his RTI application till date.

The PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission.

In view of the above, last and final opportunity is given to Dr. Saurabh Chawla, Health Medical Officer – cum – PIO O/o Commissioner, M.C. Amritsar to supply the requisite information to him, duly attested relating to point no. 4 of the RTI application of the appellant, before the next date of hearing, under intimation to the Commission, failing which **Show Cause Notice** will be issued to him.

The case is adjourned to **29.09.2021 at 01:00 PM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
26.08.2021

Sd/-
(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner

Copy to intimation and necessary action:-

Dr. Saurabh Chawla,
Health Medical Officer – cum – PIO,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1030 of 2020

Shri Pardeep Bhatia (9357938632)
S/o Shri Amrit Lal Bhatia,
406, Partap Gali, Partap Bazar, 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 – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: None for the Parties.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated: 07.07.2021.

The Appellant is absent from today's hearing and he was also absent on the last hearings dated 10.02.2021 and 07.07.2021.

The Respondent – PIO is absent for today's hearing. He was also absent on the last date of hearing i.e. 07.07.2021.

On the previous date of hearing 03.12.2020, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the PIO O/o Commissioner, M.C. Amritsar, but he did not bother to inform the Commission, During the last date of hearing 07.07.2021, the PIO (Sh. Anil Arora, P.A. to the Commissioner, M.C. Amritsar) is directed to file an affidavit in response to the Show Cause Notice issued to him and should appear personally (Through CISCO WEBEX), failing which **BAILABLE Warrant** will be issued to him but again he did not bother to inform the Commission.

It also transpires that the no information has been supplied to the appellant. It is clear that he does not have any respect for the statutory institution. The Commission cannot take it lying down. The matter has to be taken to a logical end.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1030 OF 2020

While exercising its authority under Section 18 (3) (a) of the RTI Act, 2005, a bailable warrant is issued against Sh. Anil Arora, P.A. to the Commissioner, M.C. Amritsar, with the direction to the Commissioner of Police, Amritsar to serve it on him to appear along with entire relevant record, before the Commission on **29.09.2021 at 01:00 PM**. So that appropriate action is taken on the Show Cause Notice issued to him. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
26.08.2021**

Sd/-
(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner

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

- 1) Shri Vikram Jeet Duggal, IPS**
Commissioner of Police
Opposite Smt. Saroop Rani Govt. College for Women,
Macload Road, Amritsar-143001

- 2) Sh. Anil Arora, (Regd. Post)**
PIO –cum – Personal Assistant,
O/o P.A. to the Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1089 OF 2021

Sh. Ajit Singh Talwandi, (8968902044)
R/o Village Nikku Chak, Post Office Hajipur,
Tehsil Mukerian, District Hoshiarpur-144221

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary, Chief Minister Office, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Secretary, Chief Minister Office, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer,
O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Hoshiarpur.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.
HC Rajesh Kumar on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This case was earlier heard by the Hon'ble Bench of Sh. Suresh Kumar Arora, Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab on 06.07.2021, after that same was transferred to the undersigned vide Office Order No. PSIC/Legal/AC:1089/2021/216, dated, Chandigarh, the 8 July, 2021, as such notice of hearing issued to the parties for 26.08.2021.

The case is fixed for today but the Appellant is absent. However, he has sent a letter receipt in the Commission vide diary no. 16927, dated 02.08.2021 mentioning therein that no information has been provided to him till date.

The Respondent states that requisite information has already been supplied to appellant three times, but time and again he returned the same.

In view of the above, the Respondent is directed to send again requisite information to the appellant, through registered post, under intimation to the Commission whereas the appellant is advised to follow up his case in the Commission, failing which ex-parte decision shall be taken on merits.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1089 OF 2021

The case is adjourned to **10.11.2021 at 01:00 PM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
26.08.2021**

Sd/-
**(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner**

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1946 OF 2021

Sh. Navneet Singhania, (8837867784)
R/o 1609/2, Ram Gali,
Katra Ahluwalia, Amritsar.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Town Improvement Trust, Amritsar.
~ Now ~

Public Information Officer,
O/o Trust Engineer,
Town Improvement Trust,
Ranjit Avenue, Amritsar-143001

First Appellate Authority
O/o Chief Executive Officer,
Town Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: None for the Parties.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 01.10.2020 vide which the Appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 16.11.2020 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.04.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 26.08.2021.

The Appellant is absent. The PIO is also absent for today's hearing, inspite of the Notice/Orders of the Commission. This shows his disregard to the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. Therefore, the PIO is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally (through CISCO Webex), on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.

The case is adjourned to **10.11.2021 at 01:00 PM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
26.08.2021

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State Information Commissioner

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APPEAL CASE NO. 1963 OF 2021

Sh. Surinder Singh, (8437857289)
S/o Sh. Bakshish Singh,
R/o V.P.O. Jandoli, District Hoshiarpur-146102

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o ADC (Development),
Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner, Revenue,
Jalandhar Division, Jalandhar.

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Vikas Sharma, Superintendent – cum – APIO for the Respondents.

ORDER:

The RTI application is dated 24.12.2020 vide which the Appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 22.02.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.04.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 26.08.2021.

The Respondent states that requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant vide letter 16.04.2021 whereas the appellant is absent.

In view of the above, the appellant is advised to point out the deficiencies in writing to the PIO, with a copy to the Commission. The PIO is directed to remove the same after received discrepancies from the appellant, before the next of hearing.

The case is adjourned to **10.11.2021 at 01:00 PM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
26.08.2021

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APPEAL CASE NO. 2371 OF 2020

Sh. Harinder Singh, (7986141271)
S/o Sh. Tejinder Singh,
R/o H. No. 9, Air Avenue,
Kheri Gujran Road, Patiala-147001

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Saint Kabir College of Education,
Patiala Rajpura Road, Kauli, Patiala-147001

First Appellate Authority
O/o Saint Kabir College of Education,
Patiala Rajpura Road, Kauli, Patiala-147001

...Respondents

HEARD Through CISCO WEBEX – VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Advocate Vipin Sharma on behalf of the Appellant.
Advocate Hardeep Singh for the Respondents.

ORDER:

This case was earlier heard by the Hon'ble Bench of Ld. State Information Commissioner Smt. Preety Chawla vide order dated 06.05.2021.

The Representative of the appellant states that no information has been provided to him by the Respondents till date.

The Representative of the PIO states that respondent does not fall under the preview of the RTI Act and therefore demanded information cannot be supplied to the appellant.

After hearing the parties, both are directed to file their written submission regarding the RTI application dated 06.07.2020, before the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to **10.11.2021 at 01:00 PM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly.

Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3332 OF 2020

Sh. Kamaljeet Singh, (7589135318; 9463274899)
S/o Sh. Nirmal Singh,
R/o House No. 18, Datar Nagar,
Ward No. 10, Rama Mandi, Jalandhar-144007

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Education Officer (Secondary),
Kapurthala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o District Education Officer (Secondary),
Kapurthala.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/VC/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Shri Kamaljeet Singh, Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.08.2021.

The Appellant reiterates his earlier version that deficiencies in the supplied information has already sent by registered post to the respondents and copy sent to Commission but no information has been supplied by them till date.

The PIO is again absent for today's hearing and he was also absent on the last hearings dated 18.02.2021; 06.05.2021; 29.06.2021 and 04.08.2021, inspite of the Notice/Orders of the Commission. This shows his disregard to the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case.

The perusal of the case reveals that on the last date of hearing, the PIO is directed to supply the remaining information, before the next date of hearing, failing which Show Cause Notice will be issued to him but till date remaining information has not been supplied to the appellant after the lapse of the 13 months period.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3332 OF 2020

In view of the above, a **SHOW CAUSE NOTICE** under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act is issued to Sh. Rulda Singh, Sr. Assistant – cum - acting PIO O/o District Education Officer (Secondary), Kapruthala, as to why penalty should not be imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the appellant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is directed to file an affidavit in response to the Show Cause Notice and appear personally on the next date fixed, otherwise it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall initiate ex-parte proceeding.

The case is adjourned to **29.09.2021 at 01:00 PM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
26.08.2021**

Sd/-
(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner

Copy to Intimation and Necessary Action: -

(Regd. Post)

Sh. Rulda Singh,

Sr. Assistant – cum - acting PIO

O/o District Education Officer (Secondary),

Kapurthala.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3344 OF 2020

Sh. Baljeet Singh, (7696500015)
Civil Engineer,
64-H, BRS Nagar,
Ludhiana-141012

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

HEARD THROUGH CISCO WEBEX/TELEPHONE

PRESENT: Sh. Baljeet Singh, Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER:

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.0.2021.

The Appellant reiterates his earlier version that incomplete information has been shown to him by the respondents during the inspection.

The PIO is again absent for today's hearing and he was also absent on the last hearings dated 01.04.2021; 15.06.2021 and 10.08.2021, inspite of the Notice/Orders of the Commission. This shows his disregard to the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case.

The perusal of the case reveals that on the last date of hearing, the Respondent – PIO is again directed to supply the remaining information to the appellant, if there is no more information other than supplied to the appellant relating to his RTI application in their record than files a proper Affidavit. But till date neither remaining information nor original Affidavit has been supplied to the appellant after the lapse of the 14 months period.

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APPEAL CASE NO. 3344 OF 2020

In view of the above, a **SHOW CAUSE NOTICE** under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act is issued to Shri Madanjit Singh Bedi, Assistant Town Planner – cum – PIO O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, as to why penalty should not be imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the appellant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is directed to file an affidavit in response to the Show Cause Notice and appear personally on the next date fixed, otherwise it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall initiate ex-parte proceeding.

The case is adjourned to **29.09.2021 at 01:00 PM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 159 864 6555**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
26.08.2021**

Sd/-
(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner

Copy to Intimation and Necessary Action: -

(Regd. Post)

Shri Madanjit Singh Bedi,

Assistant Town Planner – cum – PIO

O/o District Education Officer (Secondary),

Kapurthala.