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Shri Rakesh Jain

House No. 157, Sah. Jujhar Singh Nagar,

Street No. 1, Kishanpura Road, Sangrur 148001-9988542215

..appellant

Vs

Ms Jyoti Soni, Assistant Director-cum-

Public Information Officer

o/o Director, Public Instructions (SE), Pb.

Mohali

First Appellate Authority

o/o Secretary, School Education, Pb.

Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 3460 of 2022,

Shri Rakesh Jain

House No. 157, Sahibzada Jujhar Singh Nagar,

Street No. 1, Kishanpura Road,

Sangrur 148001-9988542215

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o Secretary, School Education, Pb.

Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

o/o Secretary, School Education, Pb.

Chandigarh.

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 3461 of 2022

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Rakesh Jain, appellant

Sh. Jatinder Singh, Superintendent. & Sh. Charanjeet Singh, Sr. Asstt on behalf of
the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.9.2022.

2. The appellant submits that the deficiencies has already been sent to the respondent with a copy to the Commission. However, the representative of the respondents requested for the adjournment of the case to file the reply/supply of information in this case.

3. Accordingly, the case is adjourned.

4. To come up on 21.11.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:26.10.2022

(Suresh Arora)

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Sh. Tarsem Singh, Ex-Subedar,
President Gram Vikas Society (Retd.)
Khanpur Tehsil Baba Bakala Sahib,
Amritsar 9915097137

.. appellant

Vs

Sh. Navkirat Singh Randhawa, Tehsildar, 8711000040
Public Information Officer,
-cum-Tehsildar, Baba Bakala,
Amritsar

Ms Alka Kalia, PCS
First Appellate Authority
o/o SDM, Baba Bakala,
Amritsar

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 1236 of 2022
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Tarsem Singh, appellant.
Sh. Anand Jyoti Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Naib Tehsildar on behalf of the
respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.8.2022.

2. Sh. Sukhvir Singh, Naib Tehsildar submits that Sh.Navkirat Singh Randhawa, Tehsildar is the Public Information Officer in this case. He further requested for the short adjournment of the case as the information is ready and will be transmitted to the appellant. He further requested to withdraw the show cause notice issued to him as he is not the Public Information Officer in this case. According to the submissions made by him, the show cause notice issued to him is hereby withdrawn.

3. Video Conference Facility was introduced for the convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application by the respondent casually, Sh. Navkirat Singh Randhawa-cum- Public Information Officer,

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is, thus, issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing willful delay/denial of the information to the RTI applicant and to show cause why a compensation under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005, may not be paid to the appellant for causing willful delay/denial of the information for detriment suffered by him.

In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take a note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

4. He is also directed to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing.

5. To come up on 31.10.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Dated: 26.10.2022

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Sh. Baljit Singh
s/o Sh. Jagdish Singh
Ward No. 8, Nahilopur Road,
Samrala Ludhiana

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Principal, Malwa College,
Bondli, Samrala,
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
o/o Director, Public Instructions (Colleges)Pb.
Sector 62, Mohali.

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 3224 of 2021
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Sahil, Advocate 9988200882 on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Karanbir Singh Chawla, Advocate counsel on behalf of the respondents
9417007700
Ms Karamjit Kaur, Sr. Asstt o/o DPI (Colleges), Punjab on behalf of the First
Appellate Authority.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 6.9.2022.

2. The appellant filed the submissions regarding the public interest in seeking the information. However, the representative of the respondents requested for the adjournment of the case to file the rejoinder.
3. Accordingly, the request of the respondent is accepted and the case is adjourned.
4. To come up on 29.11.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated: 26.10.2022

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Bondli, Samrala,
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
o/o Director, Public Instructions (Colleges)Pb.
Sector 62, Mohali.

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 3225 of 2021
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Sahil, Advocate 9988200882 on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Karanbir Singh Chawla, Advocate counsel on behalf of the respondents
9417007700
Ms Karamjit Kaur, Sr. Asstt o/o DPI (Colleges), Punjab on behalf of the First
Appellate Authority.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 6.9.2022.

2. The appellant filed the submissions regarding the public interest in seeking the information. However, the representative of the respondents requested for the adjournment of the case to file the rejoinder.
3. Accordingly, the request of the respondent is accepted and the case is adjourned.
4. To come up on 29.11.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:26.10.2022

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Sh. Baljeet Singh

Civil Engineer,

64 H, B.R.S. Nagar,

Ludhiana 141012

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o Chief Secretary, Pb.

Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

o/o Chief Secretary, Punjab,

Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh

Sh. R.S. Walia,

APIO cum Head Draftsman cum Building Inspector

Zone D,

Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Sh. Manjit Singh Under Secy-cum-

Public Information Officer,

o/o Principal Secretary,

Local Government, Sector 35,

Chandigarh. 9814569877

Sh. Madanjeet Singh 9855127175

Public Information Officer

Zone D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana

Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Supdt.-cum-

Public Information Officer

L.G. 1 Branch, Municipal Bhawan,

Sector 35, Chandigarh

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3358 of 2022

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Baljeet Singh, appellant

Sh. Ravinder Singh, Draftsman on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 29.9.2022.

2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent-Public

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Information Officer to supply the complete information. However, the representative of the respondents submits that he is under transfer and despite that the office (Municipal Corporation) has directed him to remain present. He further submits that Sh. Madanjeet Singh 9855127175 Zone D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana is the concerned Public Information Officer in this case.

3. Also, a show cause notice was issued to Sh. Manjit Singh, Under Secretary and he has informed the office that Sh. Sukhdev Singh Supdt, LG 1 Branch (97790 74815) is the Public Information Officer in this case. The written submissions have been taken on record and after consideration, the show cause notice issued to Sh. Manjit Singh is hereby withdrawn. Accordingly, Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Supdt, LG 1 Branch is impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the reply/supply the information/action taken before the next date of hearing pertaining to Point No. 1,2,4,5 and 7 of the RTI application. A copy of the RTI application is also **being sent** to him along with this order.

4. The respondent Municipal Corporation has already submitted the action taken on the 8 buildings as has been sought by the appellant, a copy of the same is **being sent** to the appellant along with this order to file the rejoinder, if any.

5. After deliberations with both the parties Sh. Madanjeet Singh is also directed to remain present on the next date of hearing. Also, Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Supdt. Is directed to remain present along with the up to date status of the complaint action taken of which has been sought by the appellant as mentioned in para 3 above.

6. Also, the appellant is directed to send a copy of the email, action taken of which has been sought by him.

7. To come up on 24.11.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana/In person at Chandigarh.

Dated:26.10.2022

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.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o District Education Officer (SE)

Patiala

First Appellate Authority

o/o District Education Officer (SE)

Patiala

Public Information Officer

o/o Secretary School Education,

(Complaint Cell),

Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Chandigarh

Ms Kulwinder Kaur,

Supdt, Services-3 Branch,

o/o D.P.I. (SE)

Sector 62, Mohali

.. respondents

Appeal Case No. 3509 of 2022

Present:- Sh. Rakesh Jain, appellant

Sh. Fagun Marken, Clerk 9501033373 on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.9.2022.

2. The appellant submits that the directions may be issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to supply the complete information. However, the representative of the respondents requested for the adjournment of the case. He has also filed the written request in this regard, which is taken on record.

3. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application by the respondent casually, Ms Kulwinder Kaur, Supdt -cum- Public Information Officer, is, thus, issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/-

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per day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on her for causing willful delay/denial of the information to the RTI applicant and to show cause why a compensation under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005, may not be paid to the appellant for causing willful delay/denial of the information for detriment suffered by him.

In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. She may take a note that in case she does not file her written reply and does not avail herself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that she has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

4. To come up on 21.11.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated: 26.10.2022

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
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