



Shri Raj Kumar, S/o Shri Roshan Lal, (M: 98787-68698),
H.No. 1365-LT3, Sector-1,
Talwara Township.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Administrative Officer-2,
Water Resources Department,
Branch-2, Punjab, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chief Engineer,
Irrigation Department, Punjab,
Sector 18, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 271 of 2020

Present:- Shri Raj Kumar, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of Shri Jaswinder Singh, SPIO-cum-Admn. Officer-2,
Water Resources Department, Branch-2, Punjab, Chd.

O R D E R

Shri Raj Kumar, appellant filed RTI application dated 14.10.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO-cum-Administrative Officer-2, Water Resources Department, Branch-2, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas none is present on behalf of the SPIO. The SPIO was also absent on 08.09.2020, 14.10.2020 and today again he is absent.

The Commission has received a mail sent by the SPIO on 29.10.2020, diarized vide no.15222, which is a copy of letter no.6303 dated 29.10.2020. I have gone through the said letter and it is submitted by the SPIO that the sought for information had already been sent to the appellant vide letter 1322 dated 06.03.2020.

On the other hand the appellant stated that he has not received the information sent by the SPIO.

So, the SPIO is directed that the attested copies of information as was sought by the appellant through his RTI application dated 14.10.2019 be also sent to him along with the demand draft of Rs.3,000/- as compensation through registered post within a week and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **19.01.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 26.11.2020

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Indu Bhushan Tiwari, (M: 98559-08300),

H.NO. 481, Sector- 12,

Panchkula-134112.



..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Punjab State Warehousing Corporation,

SCO 74-75, Sector 17-B, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Punjab State Warehousing Corporation,

SCO 74-75, Sector 17-B, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4602 of 2019

Present:- Shri Indu Bhushan Tiwari, appellant is absent.
None present on behalf of Smt. Taranjit Kaur Bajwa, SPIO, O/o Punjab State Warehousing Corporation, Chandigarh.

O R D E R

Shri Indu Bhushan Tiwari, appellant filed RTI application dated 29.11.2017 and sought some information from the office of the SPIO.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 14.10.2020 passed by the Commission and a compensation of Rs.3,000/- was awarded in favour of the appellant and the SPIO was directed to send the amount of compensation through demand draft along with attested copies of information to the appellant through registered post within a week.

But the SPIO is absent today and neither she has sent any compliance report to the Commission.

So, the SPIO is directed that the information/reply as was sought by the appellant through his RTI application dated 29.11.2017 along with demand draft of Rs.3,000/- of compensation be sent to him through registered post within a week and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **19.01.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 26.11.2020

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**



Shri Harbinder Singh, (M: 98881-45991),
R/o Village Kotla Khurd (Khushipur),
P.O. Kathunangal,
Tehsil & Distt. Amritsar.

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Director,
Social Justice Empowerment Minorities Deptt., PB.,
SCO 128-129, Sector 34-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Director,
Social Justice Empowerment Minorities Deptt., PB.,
SCO 128-129, Sector 34-A, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 876 of 2020

Present:- Shri Harbinder Singh, appellant is absent.
None present on behalf of Shri Sarabjinder Singh Randhawa, SPIO-cum-Dy.
Director, Department of Social Justice & Empowerment & Minorities, Chandigarh.

ORDER

Shri Harbinder Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 10.10.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Director, Social Justice Empowerment Minorities Deptt., PB., Chandigarh.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the Order dated 14.10.2020 and on that date Shri Vikramjit Singh was present on behalf of the SPIO and he requested for some time and accordingly the SPIO was directed that the attested copies of sought for information be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance.

But the SPIO is absent today, neither he has sent any compliance to the Commission that whether he has sent the information to the appellant or not.

The conduct of the SPIO is condemnable. The appellant has filed RTI application on 10.10.2019 and a period of more than one year has been passed, but the SPIO has not provided the sought for information to the appellant. The appellant has suffered a lot. So, I award a compensation of Rs.3,000/- in favour of the appellant, Shri Harbinder Singh to be paid by the SPIO from the funds of public authority by way of demand draft and be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week.

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The SPIO is further directed that the attested copies of sought for information be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission a Show Cause Notice will be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **27.01.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 26.11.2020

**(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**



Shri Sanjeev Thakur, (M: 98142-89764),
Village Gudha Khurd,
P.O. Madhopur Cantt.-145024

..... Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director, Health, Punjab,
Sector-34 , Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 949 of 2020

Present:- Shri Sanjeev Thakur, appellant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Pathankot.

O R D E R

Shri Sanjeev Thakur, appellant filed RTI application dated 29.11.2019 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Civil Surgeon, Pathankot.

Today the case is heard through CISCO Webex Meetings Software.

The appellant is present today, whereas none has appeared on behalf of the SPIO. The appellant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him by the SPIO.

The appellant has sent a mail to the Commission on 26.10.2020, diarized vide no.14812, which is a copy of application dated 21.10.2020 and it is submitted by the appellant that unwanted information has been sent by the SPIO. He further submitted about the sought for information. A copy of the said letter is also sent to the SPIO.

So, the SPIO is directed that the attested copies of information/reply, specifically point-wise, be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and compliance be sent to the Commission accordingly. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission, a Show Cause Notice would be issued to the SPIO on the next date of hearing.

Both the parties should connect through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)** on the next date of hearing i.e. **27.01.2021 at 11:30 A.M.**

Dated: 26.11.2020

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Shri Vishal Kumar (Advocate),
Room No. 27, IIIrd Floor,
Main Building, Gate No. 4. New Bar Complex,
Punjab and Haryana High Court, Chandigarh.

.....Appellant.

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/ o State Election Commission,
SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab.

First Appellate Authority:
O/o State Election Commission,
SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2758 of 2020

Present:- Shri Vishal Kumar (Advocate), appellant is absent.
None present on behalf of the SPIO O/o State Election Commission, SAS Nagar,
Mohali, Punjab.

O R D E R

Shri Vishal Kumar (Advocate), appellant filed RTI application dated 30.05.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o State Election Commission, SAS Nagar, Mohali, Punjab. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 07.07.2020 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 21.09.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Both the parties are absent today.

I have gone through the RTI application dated 30.05.2020 filed by the appellant.

The SPIO, O/o State Election Commission, SAS Nagar is directed that the attested copies of sought for information, specifically para-wise, be sent to the appellant through registered post within a week and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission action will be taken against the SPIO under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on **27.01.2021 at 11:30 A.M.** through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)**.

Dated: 26.11.2020

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Shri Prabhjot Singh,
47, Virdi Colony,
Opp. Sajjan Palace Market,
Jalandhar.

.....Appellant.

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Asstt. Inspector General of Police (GRP),
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority:
O/o Addl. Director General of Police, Railways,
Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2781 of 2020

Present:- Shri Prabhjot Singh, appellant is present.
Shri Ravinder Kumar, APIO-cum-Suptd. is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o
Asstt. Inspector General of Police (GRP), Patiala.

ORDER

Shri Prabhjot Singh, appellant filed RTI application dated 29.05.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Asstt. Inspector General of Police (GRP), Patiala. A reply was sent to him by the SPIO vide letter no.20914 dated 11.06.2020 that the information cannot be provided to him as the investigation is still pending. Then the appellant filed First Appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 25.07.2020 and then Second Appeal before the Punjab State Information Commission on 25.09.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Both the parties are present today. The appellant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him by the SPIO till today.

The respondent stated that the investigation regarding the information sought by the appellant is still pending and the reply regarding that has also been sent to the Commission as compliance.

I have gone through the RTI application dated 29.05.2020 and also discussed about the sought for information with both the parties.

The SPIO is directed that the attested copies of sought for information be sent to the appellant through registered post before the next date of hearing and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on **02.02.2021 at 11:30 A.M.** through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)**.

Dated: 26.11.2020

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Shri Amrik Singh,
Block J/26/100, BRS Nagar,
Ludhiana.

.....Complainant.
Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/ o Director, Food Civil Supplies and
Consumer Affairs, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 676 of 2020

Present:- Shri Amrik Singh, complainant/applicant is absent.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o Director, Food Civil Supplies and
Consumer Affairs, Punjab, Chandigarh. .

O R D E R

Shri Amrik Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 26.06.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Director, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab, Chandigarh. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed complaint against the SPIO before the Punjab State Information Commission on 18.09.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Both the parties are absent today. I have gone through the RTI application dated 26.06.2020 filed by the complainant/applicant.

The SPIO is directed that he should file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant/applicant and send the same to the Commission as well as to the complainant/applicant within 10 days through registered post. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission action would be taken against the SPIO under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on **27.01.2021 at 11:30 A.M.** through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)**.

Dated: 26.11.2020

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Shri Surjit Singh, S/o Shri Rattan Singh,
R/o Village Chahar Majra,
Tehsil Anandpur Sahib,
Distt. Roopnagar.

.....Complainant.

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/ o Director of Education,
Panth Rattan Jathedar
Gurcharan Singh Ji Tohra Institute of Sikh Studies,
Bahadurgarh, Patiala.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 697 of 2020

Present:- Shri Surjit Singh, complainant/applicant is present.
Shri Prabhjeet Singh, SPIO, O/o Director of Education, Panth Rattan Jathedar
Gurcharan Singh Ji Tohra Institute of Sikh Studies, Bahadurgarh, is present.

ORDER

Shri Surjit Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 20.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o Director of Education, Panth Rattan Jathedar Gurcharan Singh Ji Tohra Institute of Sikh Studies, Bahadurgarh, Patiala. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed complaint against the SPIO before the Punjab State Information Commission on 22.09.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Both the parties are present today. The complainant/applicant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him by the SPIO.

I have gone through the RTI application dated 20.07.2020 and also discussed about the sought for information with both the parties. The SPIO assured the Commission that the sought for information would be sent to the complainant/applicant within a week.

As per the assurance of the SPIO, a direction is issued to him that he should provide the attested copies of information regarding para no.1 of the RTI application, para no.5 of the RTI application regarding advertisement and para no.6 of the RTI application regarding education qualifications of Smt. Harjit Kaur, Principal and send the same to the complainant/applicant within a week through registered post and compliance report be sent to the Commission. Rest of the information is denied being in questionnaire form and the SPIO is not bound to answer the queries as it does not come within the ambit of definition of 'information'.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on **23.12.2020 at 11:30 A.M.** through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)**.

Dated: 26.11.2020

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Shri Ashok Kumar, SA (Retd.),
13/189, Jail Road, GSP,
SBS Nagar.

.....Complainant.

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/ o District Manager,
PUNGRAIN-cum-DFSC,
Gurdaspur.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 699 of 2020

Present:- Shri Ashok Kumar, complainant/applicant is present.
Shri Maninder Singh, Sr. Auditor is present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o District
Manager, PUNGRAIN, Gurdaspur.

ORDER

Shri Ashok Kumar, complainant/applicant filed RTI application dated 16.07.2020 and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o District Manager, PUNGRAIN, Gurdaspur. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed complaint against the SPIO before the Punjab State Information Commission on 22.09.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Both the parties are present today. The complainant/applicant stated that the sought for information has not been provided to him by the SPIO.

The respondent assured the Commission that the sought for information would be sent to the complainant/applicant within a week.

As per the assurance of the respondent, the SPIO is directed that the attested copies of sought for information be sent to the complainant/applicant through registered post within a week and a copy of the same be sent to the Commission as compliance.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on **23.12.2020 at 11:30 A.M.** through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)**.

Dated: 26.11.2020

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Shri Kamaljit Singh,
S/o Shri Narinjan Singh,
R/o VPO Bhoma, Tehsil Batala,
Distt. Gurdaspur.

.....Complainant.

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/ o District Controller,
Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs,
Gurdaspur.

.....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 701 of 2020

Present:- Shri Kamaljit Singh, complainant/applicant is present.
None present on behalf of the SPIO, O/o District Controller, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Gurdaspur.

O R D E R

Shri Kamaljit Singh, complainant/applicant filed RTI application and sought some information from the SPIO, O/o District Controller, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Gurdaspur. When no information was provided to him by the SPIO, then he filed complaint against the SPIO before the Punjab State Information Commission on 22.09.2020. The case was registered and allocated to the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to both the parties for today through **CISCO Webex Meetings Software**.

Both the parties are absent today. I have gone through the RTI application filed by the complainant/applicant.

The SPIO is directed that he should file reply to the complaint filed by the complainant/applicant and send the same to the Commission as well as to the complainant/applicant within 10 days through registered post. In case of non compliance of the Order of the Commission action would be taken against the SPIO under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Both the parties should personally attend the hearing on **23.12.2020 at 11:30 A.M.** through **CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software (Meeting No. 912442397)**.

Dated: 26.11.2020

(Avtar Singh Kaler)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab