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<u>Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.</u>



Appellant

Sh. Ashok Kumar,

1299, Morni Wala Khu, VPO Dera Bassi,

Distt. Mohali (M: 9878624416)

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Technical Examiner – I & Vigilance Officer, Water Resource Department, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director, Water Cell, Water Resource Department,

Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3118 of 2020

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar is present.

Sh. Kuljinder Singh, XEN is present from the Department (Technical Examiner – II) .

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 02.06.2020, the date of First Appeal is 18.09.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 20.10.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, Sh. Kuljinder Singh, XEN states that as per official order, the Department has to reply within two months against the complaints and they have written to the concerned Department for replying to the same, so that the information could be supplied to the Appellant. He further mentions about an email dated 20.01.2021, 22.01.2021 along with letter dated 21.01.2021 along with enclosures which have been sent to the Commission from the Department and the same is taken on record.

In view of above, an opportunity is given to the PIO and the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 31.03.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 31.03.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 27.01.2021

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Sh. Ashok Kumar,

1299, Morni Wala Khu, VPO Dera Bassi,

Distt. Mohali (M: 9878624416)

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Principal Secretary Water Resources, Punjab, Sector -9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Principal Secretary Water Resources, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2898 of 2020

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar is present.

Sh. Som Nath, Superintendent is present from the Department.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 01.06.2020, the date of First Appeal is 11.08.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 01.10.2020.

In today's hearing, the representative of the Respondent/ PIO, Sh. Som Nath states that the information has been sent to the Appellant by post as well as through email dated 15.09.2020. He further mentions about an email dated 19.01.2021 and letter number 55 dated 19.01.2021 along with enclosures which have been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the Appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar states that no letter through post has been received by him.

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information again to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing. The Respondent/ PIO is directed to appear in person or through any of his representative on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The concerned PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant again.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 31.03.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 31.03.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

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Dated: 27.01.2021

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Appellant

Sh. Gurmeet Singh Jaura, S/o Sh. Kulwant Singh,

R/o Bhullar Colony, Street Number 01, Sri Muktsar Sahib,

M: 9815751666

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Department of Labour, Punjab, Phase – 10, Sector 64, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Assistant Labour Commissioner, Moga.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2191 of 2020

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh is absent.

Sh. Pardeep Kumar, Assistant Labour Commissioner, Moga is present from the

Department.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 04.12.2019, the date of First Appeal is 03.02.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 17.08.2020

In today's hearing, the Assistant Labour Commissioner, Sh. Pardeep Kumar states that the information has already been sent to the Appellant by post dated 22.01.2021. He further mentions about an email dated 22.01.2021 in which information and a copy of registered postal receipt dated 22.01.2021 is attached (vide which information has been sent) and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the Appellant, Sh. Gurmeet Singh is absent today.

In view of above, an opportunity is given to the Appellant and he is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case be decided on merits.

The Respondent/ PIO is directed to appear in person or through any of his representative on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Mohinder Singh, S/o Sh. Ram Singh,

Quatar Number T - 2/171, Jugial Colony,

Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The XEN, Inspection & Quality Control Division, Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The SE, Shahpurkandi Dam Project Division, Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot.

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 2786 of 2020

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh is present.

Sh. Anurag Grover, PIO -cum- Executive Engineer is present from Ranjit Sagar Dam

Shahpurkandi along with

Sh. Kaushal Kumar, Senior Assistant is present from FAA O/o Dam Security Circle.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 20.03.2020, the date of First Appeal is 30.06.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 24.09.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him. He further states that he had met Sh. Sanjiv Kumar, Chief Engineer who had assured him that he will get the information soon and for the same. The Appellant has requested for a date. He further mentions about an email dated 26.01.2021 which has been sent to the Commission in which copy of the notification is attached which is not certified and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Anurag Grover states that the information has already been supplied to the Appellant and the same has been sent to the Commission. He further mentions about an email dated 22.01.2021, a letter dated 15.01.2021, another letter dated 23.01.2021 along with enclosures and another letter also dated 23.01.2021 (with enclosures), which have been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, the Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information along with the certified copy of concerned notification to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/ Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

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Dated: 27.01.2021

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Sh. Mohinder Singh, S/o Sh. Ram Singh,

Quatar Number T - 2/171, Jugial Colony,

Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Chief Engineer, RSD (Construction), Water Resource Department, Shahpurkandi Township.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Principal Secretary, Water Resource Irrigation Department, Personnel Branch Number 01 and 03, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2785 of 2020

V/s.

{Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh is present.

Sh. Anurag Grover, PIO –cum- Executive Engineer is present from Ranjit Sagar Dam

Shahpurkandi along with

Sh. Kaushal Kumar, Senior Assistant is present from FAA O/o Dam Security Circle.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 18.02.2020, the date of First Appeal is 08.06.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 24.09.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him. He further mentions about an email dated 26.01.2021 which has been sent to the Commission, which is taken on record.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Anurag Grover requests for an adjournment and further states that the information would be supplied to the Appellant soon. He further mentions about an email dated 25.01.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, an opportunity is given to the Respondent / PIO and the concerned PIO is directed to supply the requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

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Sh. Mohinder Singh, S/o Sh. Ram Singh,

Quatar Number T – 2/171, Jugial Colony,

Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o The XEN, Personnel Division,

RSD, Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The SE, Admin. & Disposal Circle,

RSD, Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2784 of 2020

V/s.

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh is present.

Sh. Anurag Grover, PIO –cum- Executive Engineer is present from Ranjit Sagar Dam

Shahpurkandi along with

Sh. Kaushal Kumar, Senior Assistant is present from FAA O/o Dam Security Circle.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 19.02.2019, the date of First Appeal is 08.06.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 24.09.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him. He further states that he had met Sh. Sanjiv Kumar, Chief Engineer who had assured him that he will get the information soon and for the same. The Appellant has requested for a date. He further mentions about an email dated 09.01.2021 and an email dated 26.01.2021 which have been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Anurag Grover states that the information has already been supplied to the Appellant. He further mentions about an email dated 22.01.2021, a letter dated 15.01.2021 and a letter dated 23.01.2021 (along with enclosures) which have been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, the Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

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Dated: 27.01.2021

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Sh. Mohinder Singh, S/o Sh. Ram Singh,

Quatar Number T – 2/171, Jugial Colony,

Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

Public Information Officer,

O/o The XEN, Personnel Division,

RSD, Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The SE, Admin. & Disposal Circle,

RSD, Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 2277 of 2020

V/s.

{Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh is present.

 ${\bf Sh.\ Anurag\ Grover,\ PIO\ -cum-\ Executive\ Engineer\ is\ present\ from\ Ranjit\ Sagar\ Dam}$

Shahpurkandi along with

Sh. Kaushal Kumar, Senior Assistant is present from FAA O/o Dam Security Circle.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 19.12.2019, the date of First Appeal is 29.01.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 24.08.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him. He further mentions about an email dated 22.01.2021 and an email dated 26.01.2021 which have been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Anurag Grover states that the documents which have been produced by the Appellant is fake and baseless in nature and moreover the information has already been supplied to the Appellant. He further mentions about an email dated 22.01.2021, a letter dated 15.01.2021, a letter dated 23.01.2021 (along with enclosures) and one more letter also dated 23.01.2021 which have been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, Sh. Anurag Grover states that no committee was made and no one was called for the meeting.

It has been observed that in the letter / reply dated 23.01.2021, signed by Sh. Anurag Grover, in which it has been written that this information relates with O/o Superintending Engineer, Admn. & Dam Security Circle, Shahpurkandi Township.

In view of above PIO O/o Superintending Engineer, Admn. & Dam Security Circle, Shahpurkandi Township is impleaded as a party and further the concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant by the next date of hearing. A copy of this order along with the RTI Application is sent to PIO O/o Superintending Engineer, Admn. & Dam Security Circle, Shahpurkandi Township for further necessary action.

The concerned Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The concerned PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

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Also, a warning is being given to Sh. Anurag Grover, PIO as he is not prepared and having the casual attitude and if next time this would happen again then disciplinary action would be recommended against him to his higher authorities on the next date of hearing.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/
Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

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CC:

Dated: 27.01.2021

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o Superintending Engineer, Admn. & Dam Security Circle, Shahpurkandi Township.

Encl. RTI Application.

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Sh. Mohinder Singh, S/o Sh. Ram Singh,

Quatar Number T – 2/171, Jugial Colony,

Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

Appellant

Public Information Officer,

O/o The XEN, Personnel Division,

RSD, Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The SE, Admin. & Disposal Circle,

RSD, Shahpurkandi Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot (145029)

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2276 of 2020

V/s.

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh is present.

Sh. Anurag Grover, PIO –cum- Executive Engineer is present from Ranjit Sagar Dam

Shahpurkandi along with

Sh. Kaushal Kumar, Senior Assistant is present from FAA O/o Dam Security Circle.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 19.12.2019, the date of First Appeal is 29.01.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 24.08.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Mohinder Singh states that no information has been supplied to him. He further states that he had met Sh. Sanjiv Kumar, Chief Engineer who had assured him that he will get the information soon and for the same the Appellant has requested a date. He further mentions about an email dated 26.01.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Anurag Grover mentions about an email dated 19.01.2021, a letter dated 15.01.2021, a letter dated 19.01.2021 along with enclosures and a letter 23.01.2021 along with enclosures and one more letter also dated 23.01.2021, which have been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, the Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

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(Regd. Post) Sh. Jalour Singh, S/o Sh. Ralla Singh,

R/o Sant Singh Saadak Road,

Near DSM Blossom Junior School Ward Number 06,

Kartar Nagar, Distt. Moga (8872500559)

Appellant

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,

O/o The Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department, Punjab,

Sector -18, Chandigarh.

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Chief Engineer, Water Resource Department,

Punjab, Sector -18, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3019 of 2020

V/s.

{Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software}

<u>Present</u>: The Appellant, Sh. Jalour Singh is absent.

None is present from the Department.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 04.03.2020, the date of First Appeal is 01.06.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 13.10.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Jalour Singh is absent without any intimation to the Commission.

On the other hand, none comes present from the Department.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO.

In view of above, the Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 08.03.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 08.03.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/
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Sd/-(Sanjiv Garg) State Information Commissioner Punjab

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Sh. Inderjit Singh, S/o Sh. Sukhdev Singh, R/o VPO Sabhra (Pati Narad Ki), Tehsil Patti, Distt. Tarn Taran (143416) M: 8437946300

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The XEN, Construction Division Number 02, PWD B & R, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The SE, PWD B & R, Construction Circle, Batala Road, Amritsar.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2309 of 2020

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Inderjit Singh is present.

Ms. Kamalpreet Kaur, Clerk is present from the Department.

Order:

The date of RTI Application is 19.05.2020, the date of First Appeal is 29.06.2020 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 26.08.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Inderjit Singh states that the information which has been supplied to him on dated 23.01.2021 is incomplete in nature.

On the other hand, the representative of the Respondent/ PIO, Ms. Kamalpreet Kaur states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant and if still the Appellant is not satisfied then he could point out the deficiencies in written and the Department will clear out the same. She further mentions the email dated 21.01.2021 and a letter vide endorsement dated 21.01.2021 which has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

After discussing with both the parties, the Appellant is directed to point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email within time, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

The Respondent / PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant (after removing the deficiencies) by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The concerned Respondent /PIO is directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

This case is adjourned to 08.03.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 08.03.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

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Sh. Prem Singh, S/o Sh. Mehar Singh,

Asstt. Transport Officer (Retd.), House Number 914, Phase – 7, S.A.S Nagar (Mohali).

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2130 of 2019

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Prem Singh is present.

Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, PIO is present from the Department.

Order:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 24.11.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina states that they are unable to trace the concerned file and further requests for a date as he himself will try to locate the same from Treasury.

After discussing with both the parties, an opportunity is given to the Respondent / PIO and the concerned PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/
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Email: psicsic31@punjabmail.gov.in Visit us - www.infocommpunjab.com Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.



Appellant

Sh. Jabir Singh, Village Bolapur, Jhabewal, P.O. Ramgarh, Distt. Ludhiana (123455)

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 157 of 2020

{Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software}

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is absent.

Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, PIO is present from the Department.

Order:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 24.11.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is absent but an email dated 26.01.2021 is sent to the Commission by the Appellant, in which he has written that he has not received any information.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina states that he had a word with the Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh on phone call vide which the Appellant was requested to visit the concerned office to collect the requisite information but the Appellant was not available that time.

After discussing with the PIO, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to submit the proof to the Commission for depositing the compensation amount (Rs. 2,500/- imposed vide order dated 14.09.2020) to the Appellant (by crossed cheque or through DD) by the next date of hearing positively also PIO is directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

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Appellant

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V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 155 of 2020

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is absent.

Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina, PIO is present from the Department.

Order:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 24.11.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is absent but an email dated 26.01.2021 is sent to the Commission by the Appellant, in which he has written that he has not received any information.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Karanbir Singh Chhina states that he had a word with the Appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh on phone call vide which the Appellant was requested to visit the concerned office to collect the requisite information but the Appellant was not available that time.

After discussing with the PIO, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant by hand or through registered post before the next date of hearing, failing which an action would be taken against the concerned PIO. The PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings.

The PIO is also directed to submit the proof to the Commission for depositing the compensation amount (Rs. 2,500/- imposed vide order dated 14.09.2020) to the Appellant (by crossed cheque or through DD) by the next date of hearing positively also PIO is directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

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Sh. Manjinder Singh,

House Number 2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector 125, Kharar, Distt. Mohali (140301) Punjab

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No. 70 of 2020

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

<u>Present</u>: The Appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh is present.

Sh. Baljeet Singh, Section Officer is present from the Department.

Order:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 24.11.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh states that he was unable to reach at the concerned office for inspection on 21.12.2020 at 11:00 A.M which was fixed by the Commission vide order dated 24.11.2020. He further request the Respondent as well as to the Commission that he is ready to accept the information as per the Department's format.

On the other hand, the PIO, Sh. Baljeet Singh states that he has no issue and will supply the information to the Appellant in relating to RTI Application dated 16.09.2019 by the next date of hearing.

After discussing with the both the parties, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the attested copies of requisite information to the Appellant **by hand or through registered post** before the next date of hearing.

The PIO is directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/Application Cisco Webex Meetings. Meeting Id Number is 918782948.

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Sh. Manjinder Singh,

House Number 2469, Sunny Enclave,

Sector 125, Kharar, Distt. Mohali (140301) Punjab

Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3093 of 2019

Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software

<u>Present</u>: The Appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh is present.

Sh. Balwant Singh, APIO –cum – Junior Assistant is present from the Department.

Order:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 24.11.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh states that partial information has been supplied to him. He further states that he had authorized Sh. Sukhchain Singh for inspecting the records and for the same an email dated 25.01.2021 and 27.01.2021 has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the APIO, Sh. Balwant Singh is giving vague replies, one time he is saying that the inspection could not take place and another he is saying the records has been handed over to the authorized person Sh. Sukhchain Singh after inspection. Sh. Balwant Singh also states that they had already requested to other department for information. He further mentions about an email dated 25.01.2021, which has been sent to the Commission from the Department and the same is taken on record.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO and it is found that Sh. Balwant Singh, APIO has no knowledge about this case and he is just wasting the time of the Court, which is unacceptable.

Also, after going through the previous orders it has been found that a show cause notice was issued to the concerned PIO on 04.12.2019 and despite that several opportunities on different hearings were also given to the concerned PIO to look into this matter and supply the information accordingly, **but** the PIO has failed to do so.

Accordingly, for making delay in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, a penalty of Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) is imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer office of The 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

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PSIC Sales

60 Other Services- 800- Other Receipts-

86- Fees under the Right to Information Act, 2005

And a copy of challan receipt be submitted to the Commission on the next date of hearing. Final opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply complete information to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

The PIO is directed to send the copy of registered postal receipts to the Commission vide which information has been sent to the Appellant.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/
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Sh. Manjinder Singh,

House Number 2469, Sunny Enclave,

Sector 125, Kharar, Distt. Mohali (140301) Punjab

Appellant

Public Information Officer.

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,

Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Sector -17, Chandigarh.

Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4290 of 2019

V/s.

{Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software}

<u>Present</u>: The Appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh is present.

Sh. Balwant Singh, APIO –cum – Junior Assistant is present from the Department.

Order:

This case may be read with the reference of previous order dated 24.11.2020.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh states that partial information has been supplied to him. He further states that he had authorized Sh. Sukhchain Singh for inspecting the records and for the same an email dated 25.01.2021 and 27.01.2021 has been sent to the Commission and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, the APIO, Sh. Balwant Singh is giving vague replies, one time he is saying that the inspection could not take place and another he is saying the records have been handed over to the authorized person Sh. Sukhchain Singh after inspection. He further mentions about an email dated 25.01.2021, which has been sent to the Commission from the Department and the same is taken on record.

Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO and it is found that Sh. Balwant Singh, APIO has no knowledge about this case and he is just wasting the time of the Court, which is unacceptable.

Also, after going through the previous orders it has been found that a show cause notice was issued to the concerned PIO on 25.02.2020 and penalty was issued to the concerned PIO on 30.06.2020 and in compliance to same the penalty was deposited by the concerned PIO which has been discussed in the order of the Commission dated 24.11.2020, **despite that information is still pending and the concerned PIO has failed to supply the information to the Appellant.**

As the requisite information has not been supplied by the Respondent / PIO to the information seeker even after the directions were given by the Commission vide various previous orders, so, in view of above, compensation of Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only) is awarded to the Appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh. The compensation shall be paid by Public Authority concerned by way of crossed cheque/ Demand Draft in the name of Manjinder Singh. The crossed cheque/Demand Draft shall be made from the bank account of public authority concerned and not from the individual official.

The respondent PIO is also directed to produce a copy of the same in the Commission on the next date of hearing to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.

Last and final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to send certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post and copy of the postal receipt (through which information would be sent to the Appellant), to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

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A copy of this order be sent to the PIO through registered post.

The Appellant is advised to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to 03.05.2021 at 11:00 A.M.' and all the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 03.05.2021 which is going to be heard through Software/
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Sd/(Sanjiv Garg)

Dated: 27.01.2021

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Sh. Munish Kaushal, (9463900048)

S/o Sh. N.D. Kaushal,

13- D, Passi Road, Patiala (147001)

...Appellant

...Respondent

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Deputy Secretary,

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (P.S.P.C.L)

Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Chief Secretary / H.R.D.

Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (P.S.P.C.L)

Patiala.

Appellant Case No. 385 of 2020

{Heard through CISCO WEBEX MEETINGS Software}

V/s.

Present: The Appellant, Sh. Manish Kaushal along with Ms. Yogita is present.

Sh. Bahadur Singh, Deputy Secretary, ENG – I along with

Sh. J.S. Sandhu, Advocate is representing the case from the Department.

ORDER:

This case was last heard on 24.11.2020 in which it was clearly mentioned that information relating to the three following points which was discussed during the previous hearing is pending and the same had to be supplied by the concerned Department.

- 1. On asking Sh. K.S. Bhatia that when Smt. Madhuri Saxena was appointed from Foreman to Sports Officer, whether her Cadre was changed or it was a fresh appointment, on which Sh. K.S. Bhatia states that it is a fresh appointment. On further discussing with Sh. K.S. Bhatia it is found that he is going to retire from the services in three days, so Sh. K.S. Bhatia is directed before his retirement to submit the same in writing that 'Smt. Madhuri Saxena was appointed from Foreman to Sports Officer, under the fresh appointment,' along with the specific dates. Sh. K.S. Bhatia is also directed to supply the same to the Appellant along with a copy to the Commission within three days vide registered post.
- 2. On further discussion it is also found that the reply which has been given by the Department which is signed by Dy. Secretary/ Services –II, PSPCL, Patiala vide memo number 7324 dated 27.10.2020 having two names in it while supplying the information i.e. in point number 01 they have written Smt. Madhuri A Singh and in the same letter at point number 04 they have written as Smt. Madhuri Saxena, so it the duty of Dy. Secretary/ Services –II, PSPCL, Patiala to clear the facts that whether in this letter they are giving information to the Appellant relating to one person or two different person, or

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if the name of the person has been changed, then supply the same in writing or supply an affidavit of 'name change' to the Appellant as well as to the Commission through registered post before the next date of hearing.

3. On further discussing, Sh. Rakesh Kokria is directed to supply the enquiry report to the Appellant, by hand. The Appellant, Sh. Manish Kaushal is directed to visit the concerned office after mutually deciding the time with Sh. Rajesh Kokeria and collect the enquiry report by himself.

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Munish states that after the last order affidavit relating to name change has to be submitted by the Department, but it has been submitted by Ms. Madhuri.

After having the point wise discussion, Advocate, Sh. J.S. Sandhu states that in relating to point number 01 as mentioned in previous order dated 24.11.2020, he states that it was a fresh appointment of Smt. Madhuri Saxena. He further states that a meeting was held by the Board of Directors in which it was decided that the post of the foreman has been abolished and she was asked to join as Sports Officer in year 2002. He also states that her cadre was not changed just the post was abolished. In relating to this, he mentions about the office order number 9024 /C-I dated 20.11.2002 and a letter vide endorsement number 8189 dated 03.12.2002, which is taken on record. The Respondent/ PIO is directed to submit the written decision taken report by Board of Directors in which it was decided that the post of the foreman has been abolished and she was asked to join as Sports Officer in year 2002 and to submit in writing that it was a fresh appointment, to the Commission as well as to the Appellant.

Relating to point number 02, as mentioned in the previous order dated 24.11.2020, Sh. J.S.Sandhu states that a self declaration dated 05.11.2020 signed by Ms. Madhuri Saxena has been submitted to the Appellant in which it has been clarified that Madhuri Saxena and Madhuri A Singh is the name of the same person. In this, the Respondent / PIO is directed that the department was asked to file an affidavit, as at the time of promotion the name had been changed or it was changed later, the Department was to supply the official documents which has been submitted by Madhuri Saxena at the time of name change. To which, Sh. J.S. Sandhu states that it was written by mistake, there was no official change and the fault was rectified in time. Sh. J.S. Sandhu is directed to submit the same in writing by filing a proper written reply as said by him or submit the copy of records to the Commission as well as to the Appellant; which had been submitted by Ms. Madhuri Saxena to the Concerned Department the time of name change.

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Relating to point number 03, as mentioned in the previous order dated 24.11.2020, Sh. J.S.Sandhu states that this reply has already been submitted to the Commission as well as to the Appellant vide memo number 150 dated 14.08.2020 and the same has been discussed in the hearing dated 26.08.2020. To which, the Respondent / PIO is directed to clarify or present more proof on the same, as on this Ms. Yogita states that the facts mentioned by the Department in the memo number 150 which has been submitted in the Commission is false in nature.

The concerned PIO is directed to look into this matter and supply the information to the Appellant as discussed above.

The Respondent/PIO concerned is also directed to submit copy of postal receipt or submits a copy of an email (to the Commission), through which information would be sent to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing, positively.

The Appellant is directed to go through the requisite information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which the case will be decided on merits.

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Dated: 27.01.2021

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