

Sh.Parminder Singh,  
H No-422, Palam Enclave,  
Morinda, DisttRoopnagar.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o EO, PUDA,  
Mohali.

...Respondent

**Complaint Case No. 277 of 2019**

**PRESENT:   None for the Complainant**  
**Mrs.Sukhvinder Kumari, PIO-cum-EO PUDA for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 24.07.2019. The complainant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information even after a reminder issued to them on 23.02.2019.

The respondent was absent. The Commission observed that there has been an enormous delay of 7 months in attending to the RTI application. The PIO was issued a show cause notice **under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to** file reply on an affidavit. The PIO was again directed to provide the information to the appellant within 10 days.

The case was again heard on **23.10.2019**. The Commission received a letter on 26.08.2019 from the PIO stating that the information has been sent to the complainant vide letter dated 22.07.2019. The appellant claimed that he has not received the information.

The respondent was absent nor had sent any reply to the show cause notice. The PIO was given one last opportunity provide the information and be present on the next date of hearing alongwith reply to the show cause notice on an affidavit.

The case was further heard on 13.02.2020. The complainant informed that the PIO has not provided the information. The PIO was absent on 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive hearing nor had sent any reply to the show cause notice. A bailable warrant of the PIO-cum-Estate Officer, PUDA was issued Under Section 18(3) of the RTI Act through Senior Superintendent of Police, Mohali for his presence before the Commission on **03.03.2020**.

On the date of hearing on **03.03.2020**, Mrs.Sukhvinder Kumari, EO-PUDA appeared but did not file reply to the show cause notice. The PIO-EO PUDA was directed to bring written reply to the show cause notice on the next date of hearing.

The case was last heard on 08.06.2020 through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. The respondent pleaded that since the information relates to GMADA, the RTI application was transferred to them. The PIO however, did not file reply to the show cause notice. The appellant was absent. The PIO was given one last opportunity to file reply to the show cause notice on an affidavit and appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing alongwith the reply.

**Complaint Case No. 277 of 2019**

**Hearing dated 27.07.2020:**

The case was fixed for hearing through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. Due to internet problem, the video conferencing cannot take place. As per information from DC office Mohali, the appellant is absent. Mrs.Sukhvinder Kumari,

PIO-cum-EO PUDA is present on Whatsapp and informed that she has brought the reply to the show cause notice on an affidavit.

The PIO is directed to send reply to the show cause notice to the Commission via post or via email.

To come up for further hearing on **18.08.2020 at 01.00 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated:27.07.2020**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

Smt. Balwinder Kaur,  
H No-195/2, Sec-45-A,  
Chandigarh.

....Appellant

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Divisional Engineer,  
Public Health-1, GMADA,  
Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Divisional Engineer,  
Public Health-1, GMADA,  
Mohali.

....Respondent

**Appeal Case .No. 4700 of 2019**

**PRESENT:** Sh.Krishan Kumar Singla husband of Mrs.Balwinder Kaur for the Appellant  
Sh.Gurvinder Singh, PIO GMADA for the Respondent

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 27.09.2019 has sought information regarding notification/decision to levy water charges Rs.25058/- which were deposited on 23.01.2018 for basement of plot No.5402 block-F Aerocity Mohali, and other information concerning the office of GMADA Mohali. The appellant was not provided the information after which the complainant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 22.10.2019 which took no decision on the appeal. After first appeal, the PIO sent information to the appellant vide letter dated 04.12.2019. Being not satisfied with the information, the appellant file 2<sup>nd</sup> appeal in the Commission on 18.12.2019.

The case came up for hearing on 08.06.2020 through video conferencing at DAC, Mohali. Both the parties were absent. The case was adjourned.

**Hearing dated 27.07.2020:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC, Mohali. Due to internet problem, the video conferencing cannot take place.

The respondent is present on Whatsapp and informed that the information has been provided to the appellant. Sh.Krishan Kumar Singla is present on behalf of the appellant in the Commission who informed that the information is incomplete.

The appellant is directed to point out the discrepancies to the PIO in writing with a copy to the Commission. The PIO is directed to remove the discrepancies and provide complete information to the appellant within 15 days from the receipt of discrepancies. If the information is not available, the PIO to give in writing on an affidavit.

To come up for further hearing on **18.08.2020 at 01.00 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.07.2020**

**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**



Sh.Narinder Kumar, S/o Sh Sham Lal Gupta,  
R/o B-25/648, Street NO-2, Near Sheesh Mehal,  
Dewan Khana Road, Malerkotla, Distt Sangrur.

....Appellant

**Vs**

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o EO, GMADA,  
Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o GMADA,  
Mohali.

....Respondent

**Appeal Case .No. 4468 of 2019**

**PRESENT:   None for the Appellant**  
**Sh.Gurvinder Singh, PIO-GMADA for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case last came up for hearing on 08.06.2020 through video conferencing at DAC, Mohali. The respondent pleaded that the information relates to APIO-EO GMADA. The appellant was absent.

The PIO was directed to provide the information to the appellant as per the RTI application and explain the reasons for delay in attending to the RTI application.

**Hearing dated 27.07.2020:**

The case was fixed for hearing through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. Due to internet problem, the video conferencing cannot take place. As per information from DC office Mohali, the appellant is absent.

The respondent PIO is present on Whatsapp and informed that the information on points 1,2 & 3 has been provided to the appellant and since the information regarding points 4 to 10 relates to the SDO-Building Branch, they have been asked to provide the information. The respondent has assured to provide the remaining information within 10 days.

The respondent is directed to procure the information regarding points 4 to 10 from the concerned branch and send it to the appellant within 10 days with a copy to the Commission.

To come up for further hearing on **18.08.2020 at 01.00 PM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.07.2020**

Sd/-  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**



Sh. Rakesh Walia,  
H No-5156/2, Modern Complex.  
Manimajra, Chandigarh.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Deputy Controller (Finance & Accounts),  
Directorate Housing and urban Development,  
PUDA, Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o Addl, Chief Secretary,  
Deptt of Housing and urban Development,  
Pb, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 3329 of 2019**

**PRESENT:   None for the Appellant**  
**Sh.Umesh Sehgal, Juinor Assistant O/o PUDA for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 06.01.2020. The respondent present informed that the information has been provided to the appellant. The representative present on behalf of the appellant informed that the information is incomplete. He also pointed out the discrepancies.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the PIO was directed to adequately respond all the points of the RTI application and provide the information within 10 days.

The case was last heard on 08.06.2020. The respondent present pleaded that the available information has already been provided to the appellant. Sh.Ashish Kapoor appeared on W/S on behalf of the appellant and informed that the information is incomplete and the copies of information provided are also not certified. The appellant pointed out the discrepancies vide letter received in the Commission on 06.02.2020.

A copy of the letter was attached with the order for the PIO and the PIO was directed to look at the discrepancies and sort out the same. If the information is not available, to give in writing on an affidavit. The PIO was also directed to send certified copies of the information.

**Hearing dated 27.07.2020**

The case was fixed for hearing through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. Due to internet problem, the video conferencing cannot take place. As per information from DC office Mohali, the appellant is absent.

The respondent is present on Whatsapp and informed that the information available on the record has already been provided to the appellant and no other information is available. An affidavit in this regard has been sent to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed**.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.07.2020**

Sd/-  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**

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Sh. Joginder Singh, S/o Lt Sh Niranjn Singh,  
Village Ramnagar Sainian,  
P.O Tepla, Tehsil Rajpura,  
Distt. Patiala.

... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o GMADA,  
Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o GMADA,  
Mohali

...Respondent

**Appeal Case No. 3421 of 2019**

**PRESENT:   None for the Appellant**  
**Sh.Gurvinder Singh – PIO-GMADA for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The case was first heard on 07.01.2020. The respondent present submitted a letter dated 27.09.2019 stating that the information had been sent to the appellant once on 03.05.2019 and again on 19.06.2019.

The appellant was absent. The PIO was directed to bring complete record in the Commission on the next date of hearing. The appellant was directed to point out the discrepancies, if any in writing and be present on the next date of hearing to inspect the record.

The case was last heard on **09.06.2020** through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant and if the appellant is not satisfied, he may inspect the record by visiting the office of PIO on any working day and take the information.

The appellant was absent and vide email informed the discrepancies. A copy of the letter was attached with the order for the PIO and the PIO was directed to remove the discrepancies. The appellant was directed to inspect the record by fixing a mutually convenient date and time with the PIO and get relevant information. The PIO was directed to allow the inspection and provide relevant information as per the RTI application.

**Hearing dated 27.07.2020:**

The case was fixed for hearing through video conferencing at DAC Mohali. Due to internet problem, the video conferencing cannot take place. As per information from DC office Mohali, the appellant is absent.

**Appeal Case No. 3421 of 2019**

The respondent is present on Whatsapp and informed that the information available in their record has already been provided to the appellant. The respondent further informed that as per order of the Commission, the appellant has not visited their office for inspection of the record.

The appellant is absent on 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive hearing. The earlier order stands. The appellant is directed to inspect the record by fixing a mutually convenient date and time with the PIO and get the relevant information. The PIO is directed to allow the inspection of the record and provide the relevant information to the appellant. This order will be valid for 180 days.

With the above order, the case is **disposed off and closed**.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.07.2020**

**Sd/-**  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
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... Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o ADGP, (NRI Wing),  
Phase-7, Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o ADGP, (NRI Wing),  
Phase-7, Mohali.

...Respondent

**Appeal Cases No. 1493/2019, 1498/2019, 3492/2019 & 3493/2019**

**PRESENT:   None for the Appellant**  
**None for the Respondent**

**ORDER:**

The appeal case No.1493/2019 was first heard on **09.07.2019**. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant. The appellant was not satisfied and stated that he had sought information regarding any communication, letters issued and reply received; during the enquiry on the complaint UID No. 1293408 dated 15.03.2018.

Hearing both the parties, the appellant was directed to inspect the record relating to complaint No.1293408 as per date and time fixed (i.e. 12.07.2019 at 12.00 Noon) and get the relevant information. The PIO was directed to allow inspection to the appellant and provide the relevant information. The PIO was also directed to send appropriate reply on point-3 (communication of the DGP) of the RTI application.

During the hearing, it came to the notice of the Commission that the appellant had filed another similar appeal case No.1498/2019 seeking exactly the same information as sought in appeal case No.1493/2019. Both the appeal cases were clubbed together.

**The case** was again heard on **23.10.2019**. The appellant pleaded that as per order of the Commission, he visited the office of PIO on 12.07.2019 and met Ms Veepal Kaur, Inspector NRI Wing and identified the relevant information which she assured to provide within 2-3 days. However, the PIO has yet not supplied the information. The PIO was absent.

One last opportunity was granted to the PIO and the PIO was directed to provide the information within two weeks from the issue of the order, otherwise the Commission will be constrained to take action as per provisions of the RTI Act.

On the last date of hearing on **29.01.2020**, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent was absent.

Further two more appeal cases No.3492/2019 and 3493/2019 – Prem Kumar V/s ADGP,NRI Wing were transferred to this bench for clubbing with the present appeal cases of 1493/2019 & 1493/2019.

**Appeal Cases No. 1493/2019, 1498/2019, 3492/2019 & 3493/2019**

The said cases were again heard by the bench of State Information Commissioner Sh.Asit Jolly on 20.11.2019 wherein Ms.Veerpal Kaur, Inspector appeared and informed that the requested information was offered to the appellant but he refused to accept it and insisted that he would only receive it at the hearing in the Commission. The respondent PIO also submitted an attested copy of the information which she stated is common to appeal cases 3492/2019 and 3493/2019 as well as AC-1493/2019 & 1498/2019.

Since the information sought by the appellant in all four cases relates to the office of ADGP NRI Wing, all these four cases were clubbed together and the PIO O/o ADGP-NRI Wing was directed to provide information in all cases before the next date of hearing otherwise the Commission will be constrained to issue show cause under section 20 of the RTI Act.

The case was last heard on **27.07.2020** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali. The appellant was absent. The Commission received an email from the appellant stating that he contacted ASI Veerpal Kaur many times but no information was provided. The appellant further informed that on contacting ASI Veerpal Kaur in March, 2020, she asked the appellant to contact Sh.Joginder Pal, ASI and get the information. However, when the appellant visited the office of PIO on 19.03.2020, Sh.Joginder Pal, was on leave. Thereafter, Sh.Joginder Pal informed the appellant on phone that the information will be provided in the court. The appellant claimed that even visiting the office of PIO three times, the PIO had not provided the information.

The appellant also stated in the said email that Inspector Veerpal Kaur had given wrong statement during the hearing on 29.01.2020 that the appellant refused to take the information. The appellant pleaded for taking necessary action against the PIO. The appellant also requested for further hearing in all cases through video conferencing at DC Office Sangrur.

Sh.Joginder Pal, ASI present on behalf of the PIO, was directed to relook at all the RTI applications and provide the information to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

**Hearing dated 27.07.2020:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC, Mohali. Both the parties are absent.

The Commission has received an email from the office of ADGP(NRI Wing) Mohali stating that the remaining information in cases No.1493, 1498, 3492, 3493, 3659, 3662 & 3667 of 2019 has been supplied to the appellant on 16.07.2020. The appellant vide email has informed that he has received the information in appeal cases No. 1493, 1498, 3492, 3493, 3659, 3662 & 3667 of 2019 and his all these appeal cases be closed.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The cases are **disposed off and closed**.

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.07.2020**

Sd/-  
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**State Information Commissioner**



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Phase-7, Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o O/o ADGP, (NRI Wing),  
Phase-7, Mohali.

....Respondent

**PRESENT: Appeal Case .No. 3659/2019, 3662/2019 & 3667/2019**  
**None for the Appellant**  
**None for the REspondent**

**ORDER:**

The appellant through RTI application dated 11.07.2019 has sought information regarding UID 1424980, 1386288, 1408868 and 1333175 – notices issued to Kiran Sharma widow of Ashok Sharma in appeal case No.3659/19, information regarding complaint UID No.1293408 dated 15.03.2018 against Sakshi Mehra in appeal case No.3662/19 and UID No. 1424980, 1386288, 1408868 in AC-3667/19 from the office of ADGP(NRI) Wing) Mohali.

The cases were first heard by the bench of Sh.Asit Jolly, State Information Commissioner on 06.12.2019. The appellant was absent. Mrs. Veerpal Kaur, inspector appeared on behalf of the respondent submitted that the information sought by the appellant is identical to that already furnished (submitted to this Commission ) at the hearing of AC-3492/19 and AC-3493/2019 on 20.11.2019. According to the respondent, the information is also common to AC-1493/19 and AC-1498/19 which are fixed for hearing before this bench. The bench also observed that the appellant requested the very same information in this appeal case (3659/19) and two other cases (AC-3662/19 & AC-3667/19) which were heard by the bench on 06.12.2019.

The bench of Sh.Asil Jolly, State Information Commissioner referred these cases to the CIC with the suggestion that these cases be clubbed and heard together by one bench, perhaps by double bench. As per orders of the CIC, these cases (AC-3659/19, AC-3662/19 & AC-3667/19) have been allotted to this bench for together.

The cases were heard by this bench on 08.06.2020 through video conferencing at DAC, Mohali. The appellant was absent. The Commission received an email from the appellant stating that he contacted ASI Veerpal Kaur many times but no information has been provided. The appellant further informed that on contacting ASI Veerpal Kaur in March, 2020, she asked the appellant to contact Sh.Joginder Pal, ASI and get the information. However, when the appellant visited the office of PIO on 19.03.2020, Sh.Joginder Pal, was on leave. Thereafter, Sh.Jgoinder Pal informed the appellant on phone that the information will be provided in the court. The appellant claimed that even visiting the office of PIO three times, the PIO has not provided the information.

**Appeal Case .No. 3659/2019, 3662/2019 & 3667/2019**

The appellant also stated in the said email that Inspector Veerpal Kaur had given wrong statement during the hearing on 29.01.2020 that the appellant refused to accept the information. The appellant pleaded for taking necessary action against the PIO and and requested for further hearing in all cases through video conferencing at DC Office Sangrur.

Sh.Joginder Pal, ASI present on behalf of the PIO was directed to relook at all the RTI applications and provide the information to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

**Hearing dated 27.07.2020:**

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC, Mohali. Both the parties are absent.

The Commission has received an email from the office of ADGP(NRI Wing) Mohali stating that the remaining information in cases No.1493, 1498, 3492, 3493, 3659, 3662 & 3667 of 2019 has been supplied to the appellant on 16.07.2020. The appellant vide email has informed that he has received the information in appeal cases No. 1493, 1498, 3492, 3493, 3659, 3662 & 3667 of 2019 and his all these appeal cases be closed.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The cases are **disposed off and closed.**

**Chandigarh**  
**Dated 27.07.2020**

Sd/-  
**(Khushwant Singh)**  
**State Information Commissioner**