



Advocate Vijay Hans,  
Lex Solutions (Law Firm),  
House No. 31, Satya Niwas,  
Silver City, Zirakpur, Mohali. 140603.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Municipal Corporation,  
SAS Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Director,  
Department of Local Government,  
Chandigarh.

Respondents

**Appeal Case No.1946/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
05.02.2019	Nil	08.03.2019	Nil	29.05.2019

**Present:**

**Appellant- None;**  
**Respondents- Sh. Ranjeev Kumar, Secretary, Municipal Corporation, Mohali.**  
**Ms Navpreet Kaur, Assistant, O/o Director, Local Government.**

**ORDER**

The appellant is absent. Sh. Ranjeev Kumar, Secretary, Municipal Corporation, Mohali, submits that the entire information in appreciable quantum of documents has been sent to him. He has shown us the copies of the same. Apparently they seem in order. Nonetheless, an opportunity is afforded to the appellant to respond on the submissions made by the respondents.

To be taken on **26.09.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

**27.08.2019**

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**(Yashvir Mahajan)**  
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O/o Director,  
Department of Local Government,  
Chandigarh.

Respondents

**Appeal Case No.1947/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
06.02.2019	Nil	09.03.2019	Nil	29.05.2019

**Present:**

**Appellant- None;**  
**Respondents- Sh. Ranjeev Kumar, Secretary, Municipal Corporation, Mohali.**  
**Ms Navpreet Kaur, Assistant, O/o Director, Local Government.**

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First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Director,  
Department of Local Government,  
Chandigarh.

Respondents

**Appeal Case No.1948/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
29.01.2019	15.02.2019	25.02.2019	Nil	29.05.2019

**Present:**

**Appellant- None;**  
**Respondents- Sh. Ranjeev Kumar, Secretary, Municipal Corporation, Mohali.**  
**Ms Navpreet Kaur, Assistant, O/o Director, Local Government.**

**ORDER**

The appellant is absent. Sh. Ranjeev Kumar, Secretary, Municipal Corporation, Mohali, submits that the entire information in appreciable quantum of documents has been sent to him. He has shown us the copies of the same. Apparently they seem in order. Nonetheless, an opportunity is afforded to the appellant to respond on the submissions made by the respondents.

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Versus

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O/o Municipal Corporation,  
SAS Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Director,  
Department of Local Government,  
Chandigarh.

Respondents

**Appeal Case No.1949/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
25.01.2019	15.02.2019	25.02.2019	Nil	29.05.2019

**Present:** Appellant- None;  
Respondents- Sh. Ranjeev Kumar, Secretary, Municipal Corporation, Mohali.  
Ms Navpreet Kaur, Assistant, O/o Director, Local Government.

**ORDER**

The appellant is absent. Sh. Ranjeev Kumar, Secretary, Municipal Corporation, Mohali, submits that the entire information in appreciable quantum of documents has been sent to him. He has shown us the copies of the same. Apparently, they seem in order. Nonetheless, an opportunity is afforded to the appellant to respond on the submissions made by the respondents.

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Sh. Bahadur Singh,  
S/o Sh. Gajjan Singh,  
R/o House No. 128,  
Saini Mohalla, Village-Balongi,  
SAS Nagar.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Kharar, SAS Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Kharar, SAS Nagar.

Respondents

**Appeal Case No.1957/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
26.02.2019	Nil	28.03.2019	Nil	29.05.2019

**Present:** Appellant- Sh. Bahadur Singh;  
Respondents- None.

**ORDER**

The appellant is seeking a copy of complaint made against Gram Panchayat of Village-Balongi, Kharar with reference to operation of mandi running in village.

The respondents are absent despite issue of a notice. No reply has also been filed. The Commission takes serious view of the same. The original application was filed on 26.02.2019. The stipulated period of providing the information is since over. Prima facie the respondents are liable for penal consequences.

The BDPO, Kharar, is hereby 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 maximum of Rs.25,000/- 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 why the compensation be not awarded to the Complainant under



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Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.

In addition to the written reply, the PIO 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 note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex parte.

To come up on **10.10.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

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Sh. Jasbir Singh,  
S/o Sh. Harbans Singh,  
R/o Jalal Khera, PO-Sular,  
District-Patiala.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Joint Development Commissioner,  
Department of Rural Development and Panchayat,  
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Joint Development Commissioner,  
Department of Rural Development and Panchayat,  
Mohali.

Respondents

**Appeal Case No.1987/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
11.03.2019	Nil	11.04.2019	Nil	29.05.2019

**Present:** Appellant- None;  
Respondents- Ms. Monika, Coordinator;  
Sh. Gaganeep Sigh, Works Monitor, Patiala.

**ORDER**

The appellant has sought an information pertaining to the contingent expenditure having been incurred from the year 2008 to 2018 in execution of NREGA scheme in Patiala. From the perusal, the Commission feels the information is quite sizable and its provision per-se shall erode the resources of the public authority considerably.

The Commission directs the respondents to allow him an inspection of the record in contention after intimating him definite place, date and time in writing within a week from today; and thereafter, they shall provide him certified copies of the documents, thus identified by him. The Commission further feels that a cap of one hundred documents, which may be relevant to him, is desirable to be given. The appellant shall provide them payment of the applicable fees.

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**Appeal Case No.1987/2019**

The appellant has sought an adjournment and it is granted. To come up on  
**22.10.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

**27.08.2019**

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Sh. Tejinder Singh,  
R/o Village-Bholapur,  
P.O- Ramgarh, Chandigarh Road,  
Ludhiana.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Municipal Council,  
Zirakpur, Distt. SAS Nagar.

Respondent

**Complaint Case No.1245/2018**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Complaint
17.02.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	04.12.2018

**Present:** Complainant- None;  
Respondent- None.

**ORDER**

The complainant is consecutively absent without notice. Nothing has been heard. Seemingly, he is not interested to pursue the matter. The complaint is **filed** for want of prosecution.

**27.08.2019**

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Sh. Harmesh Singh,  
S/o Sh. Chet Singh,  
R/o VPO-Ahmed Dhandi,  
Tehsil-Guruharsahai,  
District-Ferozepur.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Mamdot, Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Development),  
Ferozepur.

Respondents

**Appeal Case No.1151/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
13.10.2018	Nil	16.01.2019	Nil	21.03.2019

**Present:** Appellant- None;  
Respondents- None.

**Order**

None has come present on consecutive dates of hearing. Nothing has been heard. Seemingly, the appellant is not interested to pursue the matter. The appeal is **disposed** for want of its prosecution.

**27.08.2019**

**Sd/-**  
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**State Information Commissioner**



**By registered post**

Sh. Nirmal Singh,  
S/o Sh. Karnail Singh  
R/o Village-Dodra, PO-Kulara  
Tehsil-Samana, Distt. Patiala.

Versus

Complainant

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Block-Samana, Patiala.

Respondent

**Complaint Case No.309/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
16.01.2019	Nil	Nil	Nil	18.03.2019

**Present:** Complainant - Sh. Nirmal Singh;  
Respondents- None.

**ORDER:**

The following order was made by the Commission on 18.07.2019:

*“The respondents represented by Sh.Kulwant Singh, has brought along with information comprised in about 300 pages which has been handed over on spot to the complainant. The Commission understands that some of the information is yet to be provided. The Commission directs that the respondents should get it inspected on pre-fixed date, time & venue and provide the complainant the documents not beyond 50 pages. The complainant may take snaps or photographs if he needs the same beyond 50 pages. If his demand is beyond the aforesaid limit, he should convince this forum for its use in public interest.”*

The case has come up today. Sh. Nirmal Singh is present, who says that he has been denied the inspection of the record as advised by the Commission despite his more than couple of visits in the O/o the BDPO. He further says that the information provided to him is irrelevant and is not germane to the cause he intends to pursue in public interest.

Sh. Kulwant Singh, Panchayat Secretary, who is a deemed PIO in the instant case, is hereby issued a show cause notice to explain in a self- attested affidavit

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as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to maximum of Rs.25,000/- 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 why the compensation be not awarded to the Complainant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.

In addition to the written reply, the PIO 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 note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex parte.

To come up on **10.10.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

**27.08.2019**

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State Information Commissioner**



**By registered post**

Sh. Pardeep Singh,  
S/o Sh. Joginder Singh,  
R/o Village-Jeunpura, PO-Kulara,  
Tehsil-Patran, Distt. Patiala.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Block-Patran, Patiala.

Respondent

**Complaint Case No.314/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
25.07.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	18.03.2019

**Present:** Complainant- Sh. Pardeep Singh.  
Respondent- None.

**ORDER:**

The complainant reiterates that despite his visits to the O/o Panchayat Secretary, no information has been provided. The Panchayat Secretary is stonewalling the information. Having defied the orders of the Commission, it is construed that he is willfully violating the provisions of Section 7 (1) of the Act. Apparently, he has rendered himself liable for penalty.

The Panchayat Secretary is hereby 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 maximum of Rs.25,000/- 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 why the compensation be not awarded to the Complainant under Section 19 (8) (b) of the Act for the detriment suffered by him.

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**Complaint Case No.314/2019**

In addition to the written reply, the PIO 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 note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him ex parte.

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**PS: Sh. Gurpreet Singh, Panchayat Secretary, (6239836001) came late after the hearing at 2:00 PM.**

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S/o Sh. Jamber Singh  
R/o Village-Khambe,  
Tehsil-Dharamkot, District-Moga.

Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,  
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Moga.

Respondent

**Complaint Case No.319/2019**

Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of First Appeal made, if any	Date of order, if any of FAA	Date of Second Appeal/ Complaint
07.01.2018	Nil	Nil	Nil	25.03.2019

**Present:** Complainant - Sh. Karaj Singh.  
Respondent- Sh. Bhupinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary.

**ORDER:**

The complainant submits that he has not received the information. The perusal of the reply submitted by the respondents reveals that most of the information has been denied specifically concerning the NREGA funds and sanitation works with the reason that this does not relate to him. However, there is nothing on record to suggest that the same has been forwarded under section 6 (3) of the Act to the concerned PIOs.

It is a very old date case. The Commission believes that adequate attention to inform the complainant has not been given. The respondents are finally advised to provide him the complete information after procuring it from the concerned departments and intimate the Commission in writing before next date of hearing.

To come up on **10.10.2019 at 11.30 AM.**

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