

Sh. Jaspal, S/o Sh Munish Ram, R/o Village Bhindi Aulakh Khurd, Tehsil Ajnala, Distt Amritsar

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Panchayt Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Bhindi Aulakh Khurd, Block Chaugawan, Ajnala, Distt Amritsar

.....Respondent

CC No.42 of 2022

Present:	(i) Sh Jaspal, appellant
	(ii) None for the respondent

ORDER

The Abovementioned case was last heard by Former SIC Sh Sanjiv Garg on 01.08.2022 and hence was adjourned to be heard on 17.10.2022. Thereafter, this case was transferred to this bench and accordingly, notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 27.10.2022 i.e today.

2. The Appellant states that he has not received any information so far.

3. No one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today.

4. The perusal of the case file ascertains that no one has appeared on behalf of the Respondent today. They have neither informed the Commission about their absence nor they have filed their reply to the show-cause notice issued to the Respondent-PIO vide orders dated 13.06.2022 of Former SIC Sh Sanjiv Garg. Hence, last opportunity is given to the Respondent-PIO to appear before the Commission and file their reply failing which appropriate orders shall be passed.

5. To come up on **25.11.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Chandigarh 27.10.2022



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S/o Sh. Malkiat Si ngh, Village – Kharak Singh Wala, P. O. – Ghuman Kalan, Teh.. & Distt. - Mansa(Punjab) (M.-99144-40671)

....Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, (Recruitment Cell), Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab, Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A, Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2285 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Krishan Dutt, Clerk (M.-98768-88293), on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 03.03.2022. First appeal is dated 08.04.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.05.2022.

3. Sh. Krishan Dutt, Clerk, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. vide letter no. 341 dated 10.08.2022 and a reply has also been sent to the Commission (received in the Commission vide Diary No. 18547 dated 22.08.2022. is taken on record.

4. The appellant, Sh. Happy is not present in today's hearing but through a letter dated 26.10.2022, he has intimated the Commission that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

5. Nevertheless, both the parties i. e. the appellant and the respondent PIO are directed to represent this case in person or through their representative alongwith the information (already supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared or the case would be decided on merits.



Appeal Case No. 2285 of 2022

6. After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that a show-cause notice was issued vide order dated 03.08.2022 to the Public Information Officer concerned of office of Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab (Recruitment Cell) under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act.

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7. Another opportunity is given to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Director, Deptt. of Local Government, Punjab (Recruitment Cell), to file his reply to the show cause issued to him vide order dated 03.08.2022 by or on the next date of hearing.

8. With this, the case is **adjourned to 23rd November, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00 P. M. for hearing.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 27th October, 2022

Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab



Jasbir Singh,

Village – Bholapur Jhabewal, P.O. - Ramgarh, District – Ludhiana – 141123(Punjab) (98882-96107)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

(Regd. Post)

O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate, Kharar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate, Kharar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5611 of 2021

Present : None on behalf of the appellant. None on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 20.09.2021. First appeal is dated 21.10.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 10.12.2021.

3. The appellant, Sh. Jasbir Singh is not present in today's hearing but through an e-mail dated 17.10.2022, he has intimated the Commission that complete information has not been given to him by the respondent PIO. It is taken on record.

respondent PIO. It is taken on record.

4. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

5. Nevertheless, another opportunity is also given to both the parties to represent this case in person or through their representative on the next date fixed or the case would be decided on merits.

6. After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that a show-cause notice was issued vide order dated 23.05.2022 to the PIO office of Sub Divisional Magistrate,

Kharar under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act.

7. Another opportunity is given to PIO office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Kharar, to file his reply to the show cause issued to him vide order dated 23.05.2022 by or on the next date of hearing.

8. With this, the case is **adjourned to 14th November, 2022 (Monday) at 12:00 P. M. for**

<u>hearing.</u>

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab



H. S. Hundal, Advocate,

Chamber No. 203, Judicial Courts, Sector 76, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) - 160071 (Punjab) (M.-98785-00082)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Hon'ble Civil Judge, Junior Division /JMIC, S.A.S. Nagar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Hon'ble Civil Judge, Senior Division /JMIC, S.A.S. Nagar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3940 of 2022

Present : Sh. H. S. Hundal, Advocate, the appellant in person. Ms. Uma Bawa, Reader(M.98557-06622), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission

2. The RTI request is dated 07.05.2022. First appeal is dated 08.06.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 29.08.2022.

3. The appellant, Sh. H. S. Hundal, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that remaining information at point nos. 06 and 07 has not been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

4. Ms. Uma Bawa, Reader, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that she joined yesterday i. e. 26.10.2022 in the office and seeks an adjournment in this case.

5. Nevertheless, the respondent PIO office of Hon'ble Civil Judge, Junior Division/JMIC, S. A. S. Nagar is directed to supply the information pertaining to point nos. 6 and 7 only to the appellant by the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission.

6. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 23rd November, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00</u> <u>P. M. for hearing.</u>

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab



H. S. Hundal, Advocate,

Chamber No. 203, Judicial Courts, Sector 76, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) - 160071 (Punjab) (M.-98785-00082)

....Appellant

- i) **Public Information Officer**, O/o The Hon'ble Civil Judge, Junior Division /JMIC, S.A.S. Nagar (Punjab)
- ii) **Public Information Officer**, O/o The Hon'ble Civil Judge, Junior Division /JMIC, Admin./English Branch, S.A.S. Nagar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Hon'ble Civil Judge, Senior Division /JMIC, S.A.S. Nagar (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3552 of 2022

V/s

Present : Sh. H. S. Hundal, Advocate, the appellant in person. Ms. Uma Bawa, Reader(M.98557-06622), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission

2. The RTI request is dated 07.05.2022. First appeal is dated 09.06.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 02.08.2022.

3. The appellant, Sh. H. S. Hundal, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date

4. Ms. Uma Bawa, Reader, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that she joined yesterday i. e. 26.10.2022 in the office and seeks an adjournment in this case.

5. As Public Information Officer office of Admin./English Branch office of Hon'ble Civil Judge, Junior Division/JMIC, S. A. S. Nagar was impleaded as necessary party in this case with the directions to supply the certified copies of the information demanded through the RTI request to the appellant but none came present from that branch.



Appeal Case No. 3552 of 2022

Hence, the respondent PIO office of Hon'ble Civil Judge, Junior Division/JMIC,
S. A. S. Nagar is hereby directed to supply the required information to the appellant after collecting the same from the concerned branch i. e. Admin./English Branch by the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 23rd November, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00**

P. M. for hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 27th October, 2022

Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab



H. S. Hundal, Advocate,

Chamber No. 203, Judicial Courts, Sector 76, S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) - 160071 (Punjab) (M.-98785-00082)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 409 of 2020

Present : Sh. H. S. Hundal, Advocate, the appellant in person. Sh. Shyam Lal, Assistant Transport Officer (M.-99142-23294), on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 31.10.2019. First appeal is dated 01.12.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 21.01.2020.

3. Sh. Shyam Lal, Assistant Transport Officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that complete information, has already been supplied to the appellant.

4. The appellant, Sh. H. S. Hundal, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that the raised issue, regarding remaining information at point no. 01 of the RTI request, is sorted and he does not require the compensation amount of Rs. 5000/- which was awarded vide orders dated 03.08.2022 and appropriate orders be passed in the instant appeal-case.

5. After examining the documents placed in the Case-file, it is found that a penalty of Rs. 5000/- was imposed vide orders dated 03.08.2022 upon the concerned PIO (who was posted as PIO when the RTI application dated 31.10.2019 was moved by the appellant), which has not been deposited till date.

6. Last and final opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the orders dated 03.08.2022 by depositing the penalty amount of Rs. 5,000 /- in the Treasury of Punjab Government and a copy of challan-receipt be submitted to the Commission by or on the next date of hearing.



Appeal Case No. 409 of 2020

Sd/-

7. With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 11th November, 2022 (Friday) at 12:00</u>

P. M. for hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab



Balram S/o Sh. Ram Narain, Village – Dharampura, Tehsil – Abohar, Distt. – Fazilka (Punjab) (M.-94639-74663)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer, O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Block – Khuian Sarwar at Abohar Distt. – Fazilka (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer, Fazilka (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4165 of 2021

Present : Sh. Balram, the appellant in person. Sh. Gian Singh, Panchayat Secretary, (M.-99144-00517), for the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission

2. The RTI request is dated 18.05.2021. First appeal is dated 21.07.2021. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 14.09.2021.

3. The appellant, Sh. Balram , who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

4. Sh. Gian Singh, Panchayat Secretary, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that available information has already been supplied to the appellant time and again and for the information which is not available, a point-wise reply has been given. He also hands over the same information again to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission today. The replies already given by the respondent are placed in the case-file

5. After going over the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request and the response given by the respondent PIO concerned, it emerges that available information has been supplied in the instant appeal-case but there is delay of more than one year in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker.



Appeal Case No. 4165 of 2021

Accordingly, a compensation of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees Five Thousand only) is awarded to the appellant, Sh. Balram and the respondent PIO is directed to send the relevant document showing that the above-announced order of the Commission has been complied with.
With this, the case is <u>adjourned to 23rd November, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00</u>

P. M. for hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Date : 27th October, 2022

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab



Sukhdev Singh

S/o Sh. Mukhtiar Singh, Village - Patti Dulatt, Longowal, Teh. & Distt. – Sangrur - 148106(Punjab) (M.-8968220655)

V/s

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Longowal, Teh. & Distt. – Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 258 of 2022

Present : None on behalf of the appellant. None on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 26.06.2021. First appeal is dated 24.08.2021. Second

appeal has been received in the Commission on 31.12.2021.

3. The appellant, Sh. Sukhdev Singh is not present in today's hearing but through a letter dated 23.08.2022 (received in the Commission vide Diary No. 19066 dated 25.08.2022), he has intimated the Commission that he is 70 years old and is not able physically to attend the hearing/hearings in the office of the Commission and requested for an adjournment through Video Conference facility. It is taken on record.

4. Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's

hearing.

5. Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to represent this case in person or through his representative alongwith the information (already/would be supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed before the bench of the undersigned in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared.

6. The appellant would be heard through Telephone on the next date fixed.

7. With this, the case is **adjourned to 23rd November, 2022 (Wednesday) at 12:00** P. M. for hearing.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab



Sh Rajkumar Dhiman, (M-9501777659) S/o Sh Harbans Lal, Street Ward No 30C, Shri Devaji Residency, Dhakoli, Zirakpur, Distt Mohalio-160104

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o DC, Mohali

First Appellate Authority O/o DC. Mohali

.....Respondent

AC No.1426 of 2022

Present: (i) Sh Rajkumar Dhiman, appellant

(ii) for the respondent : Sh. Vipan Bhandari, DRO (9872911155)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.09.2022

2. The Respondent states that the information has been provided to the Appellant. He has also filed his reply to the show-cause notice issued on the hearing dated 17.08.2022.

3. The Appellant states that the information provided to him is not relevant to his RTI application.

4. After hearing both the parties and perusing the documents placed on record, it is ascertained that the information provided to the appellant is irrelevant. Hence, the Respondent-PIO is directed to provide relevant information, pertaining to the RTI of the Appellant. Further, the Respondent-PIO is also directed to file their point-wise specific reply on affidavit, on the next date of hearing. It is also ascertained that the Respondent-PIO has filed his reply to the show-cause notice. The same is still pending.

5. To come up on **23.11.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Chandigarh 27.10.2022



Sh Sukhdev Singh, (M-887227782) Flat No 903/B, Green Lotus Avenue, Near Singhpura Chowk, Zirakpur

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o EO, NC, Lalru

First Appellate Authority O/o Principal Secretary, Local Govt, Pb, Sector-35,Chd

.....Respondent

AC No.3953 of 2022

Present: (i) None for the appellant

(ii) for the respondent : Sh. Harbhajan Singh, JE (7837110709)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 23.04.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 30.08.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 27.10.2022 in the Commission.

3. The appellant is not present today. However, a letter has been received in the Commission vide Commission diary no. 24461 dated 27.10.2022 authorizing Mr Vinay Kumar, Advocate to appear on his behalf. However, no one has appeared on the behalf of the Appellant today.

4. The Respondent states that the information sought by the Appellant is thirdparty information. He further states that the so-called third-party has given his consent not to provide his information to anyone.



AC No.3953 of 2022

5. After hearing both the parties and perusing the case file, it is ascertained that the complete information as sought by the Appellant is not third party information. Hence, I overrule the contention of the Respondent-PIO to provide information pertaining to point no.'s 3,4,5,7 and 8 to the Appellant. Further, the Appellant is also not present today. Hence, an opportunity is given to the Appellant to appear before the Commission and state their case failing which appropriate orders in his absence shall be passed.

6. To come up on 21.11.2022 at 12:00PM in the Commission office. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Punjab

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) **State Information Commissioner**

Chandigarh 27.10.2022

Sh. Ramesh Kumar, Advocate # 784, SF, Sector 22A, Chandigarh (9416800730)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o ADC (Urban Development) Mohali

First Appellate Authority, O/o ADC (Urban Development) Mohali

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3952 of 2022

Present : (i) Sh. Ramesh Kumar the appellant (ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent

<u>ORDER</u>

The RTI application is dated 18.04.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 30.08.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 27.10.2022 in the Commission.

3. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far. The respondent is absent today. This is the first date of hearing, hence one more opportunity is given to the respondent to file their point-wise proper reply on the next date of hearing, failing which action under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act 2005 will be initiated.

4. To come up on **21.11.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Sh. Gurcharan Singh, S/o Sh. Darshan Singh

VPO Bhudan, Tehsil and Distt. Malerkotla – 148023 (9814040348)

Public Information Officer, O/o ADGP, NRI Wing, Mohali

First Appellate Authority , O/o IGP, Patiala Range, Patiala

Public Information Officer

O/o BOI, Punjab, Punjab Police Headquarter, Sector 9, Chandigarh

.....Appellant

.....Respondent

AC No. 4194 of 2021

..Vs

Present : (i) Sh. Gurcharan Singh the appellant (ii) For the respondent : Sh. Baldhir Singh, HC (8146633555) and Smt. Gurpreet Kaur, PIO (8427006927)

<u>ORDER</u>

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.09.2022, passed by the Commission.

2. Today Smt. Gurpreet Kaur, PIO, o/o BOI Punjab has sought some time, to which the appellant has no objection.

3. Hence, on the request of the respondent, o/o BOI, Punjab one last opportunity is given to them to provide complete information to the appellant.

4. To come up on 21.11.2022 at 12.00 PM for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab



Sh. Gurmej Lal, Whistle Blower, NCAGStreet No. 5, # 1331-5, Vishawkarma Bhawan,Down Canal Road, Simlapuri, Ludhiana – 141003 (9781672776)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o EO, Nagar Council, Banur, Distt. Mohali

First Appellate Authority, O/o EO, Nagar Council, Banur, Distt. Mohali

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3990 of 2022

Present : (i) None is present on behalf of he appellant (ii) For the respondent : (i) Sh. Jagjit Singh, EO-cum-PIO (9216893333) and Sh. Gaganpreet Singh, JE –cum-APIO (8837894440)

<u>ORDER</u>

`The RTI application is dated 01.06.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 31.08.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 27.10.2022 in the Commission.

3. The appellant is absent today.

4. The respondent states that he has brought complete information today in the Commission.

5. The same is taken on record. The appellant can collect the same from the Commission office on any working day. It is made clear that in case the appellant does not appear on the next date of hearing, appropriate order in his absence shall be passed.

6. To come up on **21.11.2022 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties. *The respondent is exempted from next hearing i.e.* **21.11.2022**.

> Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab