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Sh. Tejinder Singh (M: 9041004313),
Chamber No. 602, Civil Court Tehsil Complex,
Backside Saanjh Kender, Phillour, Distt. Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Vs

Sh. Rajesh Sharma, PCS,
O/o Sub-Divisional Magistrate-cum-
Public Information Officer,
Amritsar-2, Distt. Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Sub-Divisional Magistrate,
Amritsar-2, Distt. Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4751 of 2021
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant .
None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.3.2022 vide which the case was adjourned for 16.5.2022 but due to administrative reasons the case could not be heard on the said date and further adjourned for today i.e. 27.5.2022.

2. Due to absence of the parties, the case is adjourned with the directions to remain present on the next date of hearing. It is also clarified that in case of absence of any party on the next date of hearing, the case will be decided ex-parte on merit. Also, the decision regarding the show cause notice issued to Sh. Rajesh Sharma, PCS, S.D.M. will be taken on the next date of hearing.

3. To come up on 27.6.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

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Dated:27.5.2022

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Sh. PC Sharma, Advocate,
378, MM Malviya Road,
Distt. Amritsar-143001.

....Appellant

Vs

Sh. Jatinder Singh 86289 60504,
Public Information Officer,
O/o Improvement Trust,
Distt. Amritsar.

Sh. Rajeev Raj S.D.O.
o/o the Improvement Trust,
District Amritsar

Sh. Vishal Sharma Accountant
o/o the Improvement Trust,
District Amritsar

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Improvement Trust,
Distt. Amritsar.

Sh. Rajiv Prashar
s/o Sh Naresh Chander
H.No. 3428, Sector 24-D,
Chandigarh,

Smt Manmohan Kaur Vansal
w/o Sh. Navneet Singh Vansal
r/o 75, Nagar Nigam Colony,
Near Police Station,
C-Division, o/s Hilwali Gate,
District Amritsar.

Sh. Simarjit Singh Vansal
s/o Sh. Navneet Singh Vansal,
r/o 75, Nagar Nigam Colony,
Near Police Station,
C-Division, o/s Hilwali Gate,
District Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 5333 of 2021
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Sanjiv Bhasin 9814146866 and Ms Rajinder Kaur 9517700738 on
behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 16.3.2022
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-2- Appeal Case No. 5333 of 2021



vide which the case was adjourned for 16.5.2022 but due to administrative reasons the case could not be heard on the said date and further adjourned for today i.e. 27.5.2022.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the deficiencies in the information so supplied by the respondents, which is taken on record. During the hearing, a fact has emerged that the sought information relates to the 3rd party and in accordance with the Punjab RTI Rules, 2017, the 3rd parties involved in this case are impleaded as necessary party in the interest of natural justice i.e. Sh. Rajiv Prashar s/o Sh Naresh Chander H.No. 3428, Sector 24-D, Chandigarh, Smt Manmohan Kaur Vansal w/o Sh. Navneet Singh Vansal and Sh. Simarjit Singh Vansal s/o Sh. Navneet Singh Vansal, r/o 75, Nagar Nigam Colony, Near Police Station, C-Division, o/s Hilwali Gate, District Amritsar. The 3rd parties impleaded in this case are also directed to file their submissions, if any, before the next date of hearing failing which ex-parte decision will be taken on merit.

3. Also, the respondent-Public Information Officer Sh. Jatinder Singh 86289 60504, Sh. Rajeev Raj S.D.O. and Sh. Vishal Sharma Accountant o/o the Improvement Trust, District Amritsar are directed to remain present during the next date of hearing failing which the punitive action will be initiated on the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on 27.6.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

Dated:27.5.2022

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Sh. Harbhaj Ram,
S/o Late Sh. Amar Chand,
VPO Garle Dhaha, Tehsil Balachaur,
Distt. Nawanshahr.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Secretary,
Punjab School Education Board,
Mohali.

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 213 of 2022 (converted into Appeal Case)
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Harbhaj Ram, complainant.
Sh. Niranjn Singh, Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 02.02.2022 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 19.04.2022 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 27.05.2022.

2. The complainant submits that the respondent-Public Information Officer has supplied 15 pages in this case and requested that the directions may be issued to him to supply the complete information. He further submits that he has also filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority-cum-Secretary, Punjab School Education Board, but he has also not passed by any order. A copy of the appeal filed by the complainant before the First Appellate Authority is also available in the case file.

3. According to the case file, the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority, therefore, the titled case of the complainant is treated as appeal case and a copy of this order is being sent to the Registry Branch for record.

4. However, no satisfactory reply has been given by the respondent-Public Information Officer. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application of the respondent in a casual manner, Sh. Niranjn Singh, Public Information Officer, is, thus, issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per

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day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25000/- 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 to show cause why a compensation under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005, may not be paid to the appellant for causing willful delay/denial of the information for detriment suffered by him.

In addition to the written reply, the Public Information Officer 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 a note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

5. The respondent-Public Information Officer is also directed to place on record the copy of complete sought information as available on record before the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.

6. To come up on 27.6.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Nawanshehar/Chandigarh.

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Dated: 27.5.2022

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Chief Information Commissioner,
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D.R.

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Sh. Prabhjot Singh Gill, S/o Sh. Jagjit Singh,
329, VPO Doda Baja Patti,
Village Doda, Muktsar-152031.
RTI Application No. 1960.
(M: 8146007472).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o DGR, PB., Plot No. D-241,
Industrial Area, Phase 8B, Sector 74,
Mohali-160071.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DC, Tarn Taran.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1966 of 2022
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Anwar, Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 29.08.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 28.09.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 27.05.2022.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the written submissions in this case, which are taken on record. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer filed the reply vide letter no. 2887 dated 26.5.2022 which is taken on record.

3. It is also pertinent to mention that for the convenience of the parties, the directions were issued to appear through the video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner but the appellant insisted to join hearing through cisco webex, which is not possible due to poor connectivity.

4. After going through the submissions made by the parties and perusing the case file, the case is adjourned with the directions to the parties concerned to remain present, in person on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end. The reply so received from the respondent Public Information officer is **being sent** to the appellant for information.

5. To come up on 6.7.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

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Dated: 27.5.2022

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Sh. Prabhjot Singh Gill, S/o Sh. Jagjit Singh,
329, VPO Doda Baja Patti,
Village Doda, Muktsar-152031.
RTI Application No. 1990.
(M: 8146007472).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1964 of 2022
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Arvinderpal Singh, D.R.O on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 29.08.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 28.09.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 27.05.2022.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the written submissions in this case, which are taken on record. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer filed the reply which is taken on record.

3. It is also pertinent to mention that for the convenience of the parties, the directions were issued to appear through the video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner but the appellant insisted to join hearing through cisco webex, which is not possible due to poor connectivity.

4. After going through the submissions made by the parties and perusing the case file, the case is adjourned with the directions to the parties concerned to remain present, in person on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.

5. To come up on 6.7.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

sd

Dated: 27.5.2022

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329, VPO Doda Baja Patti,
Village Doda, Muktsar-152031.
RTI Application No. 1998.
(M: 8146007472).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer
o/o the Deputy Commissioner of Police,
District Ludhiana

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1965 of 2022
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Ramesh, ASI on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 29.08.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 28.09.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 27.05.2022.

2. The representative of the respondents submits that the RTI application of the appellant has already been transferred to the Deputy Commissioner of Police and requested for the adjournment of the case. Accordingly, the Public Information Officer o/o the Deputy Commissioner of Police, District Ludhiana is impleaded as necessary party in this case. It is also pertinent to mention that for the convenience of the parties, the directions were issued to appear through the video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner but the appellant insisted to join hearing through cisco webex, which is not possible due to poor connectivity.

3. However, due to administrative reasons, the case file is being sent to the Registry Branch for reallocation of this case.

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Dated: 27.5.2022

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D.R. (Along with the case file)

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Sh. Prabhjot Singh Gill, S/o Sh. Jagjit Singh,
329, VPO Doda Baja Patti,
Village Doda, Muktsar-152031.
RTI Application No. 3375.
(M: 8146007472).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1967 of 2022
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Anwar, Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 15.09.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 01.10.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 27.05.2022.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the written submissions in this case, which are taken on record. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer filed the reply vide letter 2888 dated 26.5.2022 which is taken on record.

3. It is also pertinent to mention that for the convenience of the parties, the directions were issued to appear through the video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner but the appellant insisted to join hearing through cisco webex, which is not possible due to poor connectivity.

4. After going through the submissions made by the parties and perusing the case file, the case is adjourned with the directions to the parties concerned to remain present, in person on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end. The reply so received from the respondent is **being sent** to the appellant for information.

5. To come up on 6.7.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

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Dated: 27.5.2022

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Sh. Karan Kumar, S/o Sh. Gulshan Kumar,
Gali No. 5, Krishna Valley,
Village Kakkon, Distt. Hoshiarpur- 146001.
(M: 7589088855), RTI Application No. 1184.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o DGR, PB., Plot No. D-241,
Industrial Area, Phase 8B, Sector 74,
Mohali-160071.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DGR, PB., Plot No. D-241,
Industrial Area, Phase 8B, Sector 74,
Mohali-160071.

Public Information Officer
o/o the Director,
Sainik Welfare,
Sector 21-D, Chandigarh

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1940 of 2022
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Ravinder Saini, on behalf of the respondents

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 17.08.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 19.09.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.02.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 27.05.2022.

2. The representative of the respondents submits that the sought information relates to the Sainik Welfare, Punjab and the RTI application of the appellant has already been transferred to the said public authority. He has also sent the written submissions in this regard, which are taken on record. Accordingly, the Public Information Officer o/o the Director, Sainik Welfare, Punjab is impleaded as necessary party in this case. He is also directed to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission failing which the show cause notice will be issued on the next date of hearing for the imposition of penalty and awarding the compensation in this case. A copy of the RTI application is also being **sent** along with this order.

3. To come up on 27.6.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur/Chandigarh.

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Sh. Narinder Singh, S/o Sh. Malkit Singh,
R/o Village Chhota Budda Theh (Adarsh Nagar Beas),
Tehsil Baba Bakala Sahib, Distt. Amritsar.
(M: 9915561962).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Baba Bakala Sahib,
Distt. Amritsar.

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 200 of 2022
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Narinder Singh, complainant.
Sh. Paramjit Singh, Tehsildar on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 27.11.2021 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 12.04.2022 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 27.05.2022.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer submits that the complainant has sought the information in question form so nothing has been supplied to him. However, the complainant submits that the respondent-Public Information Officer may be directed to supply the complete information. He further submits that he has also filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority-cum-SDM but no order has been passed by him.

3. According to the case file, the appellant filed the first appeal before the First Appellate Authority, therefore, the titled case of the complainant is treated as appeal case and a copy of this order is being sent to the Registry Branch for record.

4. After detailed deliberations with both the parties, the directions are issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to supply the information as has been sought by the appellant before the next date of hearing pertaining to Point No. 1 & 2 of the RTI application. He is also directed to supply the information free of cost to the complainant as the RTI application was filed by the complainant on 27.11.2021.

5. Regarding Point No. 3 of the RTI application, the respondent-Public Information Officer submits that the matter relates to the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Baba Bakala. Therefore, he is directed to transfer the RTI application of the

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complainant/appellant to him under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 who is impleaded as necessary party in this case. He is also directed to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission failing which the show cause notice will be issued on the next date of hearing for the imposition of penalty and awarding the compensation in this case.

6. To come up on 28.6.2022 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar.

Dated: 27.5.2022

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Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

CC
Block Development and Panchayats Officer-cum-
Public Information Officer,
Baba Bakala
District Amritsar.

D.R.

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Village Doda, Muktsar-152031.
RTI Application No. 3491.
(M: 8146007472).

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o DGR, PB., Plot No. D-241,
Industrial Area, Phase 8B, Sector 74,
Mohali-160071.

First Appellate Authority
O/o DGR, PB., Plot No. D-241,
Industrial Area, Phase 8B, Sector 74,
Mohali-160071.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1968 of 2022
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Anwar, Public Information Officer on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI Application is dated 16.09.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI Application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 01.10.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.01.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today i.e. 27.05.2022.

2. The appellant is absent but he has sent the written submissions in this case, which are taken on record. However, the respondent-Public Information Officer filed the reply vide letter no. 2891 dated 26.5.2022 which is taken on record.

3. It is also pertinent to mention that for the convenience of the parties, the directions were issued to appear through the video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner but the appellant insisted to join hearing through cisco webex, which is not possible due to poor connectivity.

4. After going through the submissions made by the parties and perusing the case file, the case is adjourned with the directions to the parties concerned to remain present, in person on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end. The reply so received from the respondent Public Information Officer is **being sent** to the appellant for information.

5. To come up on 6.7.2022 at 12.30 PM at Chandigarh.

sd

Dated:27.5.2022

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab.