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Shri Ravinder Kataria, # 64, New Sant Fateh Singh Nagar, Dugri Road,Ludhiana-141002.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Fazilka.

....Respondents

AC No.2362 of 2021

Present: (i) Appellant – absent.

(ii) Shri Sunil Kumar, Clerk, O/o SDM Fazilka on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER:

(Heard through cisco webex/on mobile phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.12.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's Office. Shri Ravinder Kataria, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing either in person or through cisco webex.
- 3. Shri Sunil Kumar, Clerk O/o SDM Fazilka comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex on behalf of the PIO. He states that point-wise information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 14.02.2022 by registered post with a copy to the Hon'ble Commission.
- 4. The appellant is absent for today's hearing. As such, he is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he has received the information but certain information has not been supplied on the plea of being third party information. The representative of the PIO states that information has been supplied as per the RTI application of the appellant vide letter dated 12.03.2021. The respondent further commits that only information relating to third party has been denied and the appellant has been informed accordingly. The

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respondent is now directed to file an affidavit as directed by the Bench on 01.12.2021 within next 14 (fourteen) days and send the original affidavit to the appellant and photocopy to the Commission for record.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Chandigarh 28.02.2022

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Shri Mukesh Sharma, President, Dabwali RTI Manch, Mandi Dabwali, District Sirsa.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Deputy Commissioner, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Public Information Officer

Civil Surgeon, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Commissioner, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

AC No.2785 of 2021

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) Dr. Prabhjit Singh, Assistant Civil Surgeon, and Shri Baljinder Singh, Steno O/o Civil Surgeon, Sri Muktsar Sahib on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER:

(Heard in Person/on Mobile Phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.12.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Shri Mukesh Sharma, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex.
- 3. Dr. Prabhjit Singh, Assistant Civil Surgeon, Sri Muktsar Sahib comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the reply to the appellant has been sent vide letter dated 11.02.2022 and that earlier also, reply was sent on 01.01.2021. He further states that the information asked for by the appellant relates to the private laboratories and the Civil Surgeon is not the controlling/licensing authority in this regard and these laboratories are under the Control of Medical Council of India. As such, information sought is not available with the PIO i.e. Civil Surgeon, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

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4. Since Shri Mukesh Sharma, appellant is absent for today's hearing, he is contacted on mobile phone. He does not respond to the repeated phone calls made on both of his mobile numbers available in the case file. The Bench observes that it is the third consecutive hearing and the appellant has not attended a single hearing in the second appeal filed by him.

- In view of the statement of the representative of the PIO O/o Civil Surgeon, Sri Muktsar Sahib, he is now directed to file affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, within 21 (twenty one) days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information sought by the appellant in AC No.2785 of 2021 is not available in the official records and reply to this effect has been given to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-

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Shri Karamjeet Singh, S/o Sh. Maghar Singh, # 1169, Khanna Nagar,W.No.12, Road Bye Pass,Lehragaga, District Sangrur.

..Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Chairman-cum-Managing Director, PSPCL, Head Office, The Mall, Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chief Engineer, HRD, PSPCL, The Mall, Patiala

Public Information Officer.

O/o Chief Engineer, HQs (South Zone), PSPCL, The Mall, Patiala

Public Information Officer,

O/o Chief Engineer, Technical to Director, Admn., ,PSPCL, The Mall, Patiala.

Public Information Officer

Dy. Chief Accounts Officer (P&F)

PSPCL. Patiala.

.....Respondents

AC No.4066 of 2020

Present: (i) Shri Karamjeet Singh, appellant,

- (ii) Shri Jaswinder Singh, Dy.Chief Accounts Officer, Pensions, PSPCL, Patiala.
- (iii) Shri Ishwar Chand, Asstt.Accounts Officer, Pension Section, PSPCL, Patiala
- (iv) Shri Munish Jindal, Addl.S.E. PSPCL, Sunam, District Sangrur.

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.08.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. The appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that information on certain points of his RTI application has not been received to his satisfaction and that he has not received affidavits as directed by the Hon'ble Commission during the previous hearing.

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3. Shri Jaswinder Singh, Dy. Chief Accounts Officer (P&F) along with Shri Ishwar Chand, Assistant Accounts Officer, Pension Section, PSPCL, Patiala attends the hearing through cisco webex and states that the information on point No.7 relating to their Section has been supplied to the appellant and an affidavit to this effect has been sent to the Hon'ble Commission vide letter dated 23.12.2021.

- 4. Shri Munish Jindal, Addl.S.E., PSPCL, Sunam, District Sangrur attends the hearing through cisco webex and states that the information on point No.8 & 10 has been sent by PIO/Deputy Chief Engineer, Distribution Circle, Sangrur to the appellant vide letter dated 28.07.2021.
- 5. On perusal of the case file, the Bench observes that affidavit dated 24.02.2022 has been received from PIO-cum-Superintending Engineer, Technical to Director(Admn.), PSPCL, Patiala regarding point No.9; affidavit dated 16.12.2021 has been received from the PIO/Dy. Chief Engineer/HQ-cum- Admn.(South Zone), PSPCL, Patiala regarding points No.8 & 10 and affidavit dated 20.12.2021 has been received from the Dy.Chief Accounts Officer (P&F), PSPCL, Patiala. The appellant is apprised of the receipt of these affidavits by the Commission and he is also read out the contents of the affidavits. He is also apprised that the original affidavits will be sent to him along with the order. He expresses his satisfaction and gives his consent to dispose of the appeal case.
- 6. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal** case is disposed off and closed. Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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Shri Jagjit Singh, R/o Aman Nagar, Street No.3, Backside Green Land School, Near Jalandhar By-pass, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1121 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) Shri Vishal Rampal, Building Inspector, Zone-A, O/o MC, Ludhiana in person before the Bench at Chandigarh.

ORDER:

(Heard in person/ on mobile phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 06.12.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through Cisco Webex.
- 3. Shri Vishal Rampal, Building Inspector, Zone-A, MC, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has already been supplied to the appellant and as per directions of Hon'ble Bench, he has brought along the original affidavit dated 25.02.2022 for handing over to the appellant and produces the same before the Bench.
- 4. Since the appellant is absent for today's hearing, he is contacted on mobile phone. He is apprised of the version of representative of the PIO and is also made to talk to him

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who apprises of the affidavit brought along by him. Then the Bench also reads out the contents of affidavit of the PIO to the appellant. Though he admits the receipt of information but he states that information supplied has been inordinately delayed and requests that action be taken against the

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PIO for delaying the information.

5. The Bench peruses the documents available in the case file as also the previous

orders passed by the Bench. The Bench observes that there have been seven hearings in this

case and the appellant was firstly denied information vide letter dated 23.06.2020. Thereafter, on

the directions of the Bench, the PIO had supplied information to the appellant vide letter dated

28.06.2021 and then vide letter dated 13.09.2021 and affidavit as per directions of the Bench has

also been filed. The Bench finds no reason to take any further action as the directions of the

Bench stand complied with.

6. In view of the above, the Bench does not feel any need for further intervention in

the matter. The instant appeal case is disposed off and closed. Copies of the order be sent to

the concerned parties. The original affidavit be sent to the appellant along with the order.

Encl:Affidavit

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Shri Kulwinder Singh, S/o Shri Surjit Singh, R/o H. NO.162, Near Khakh Patti, Gurudwara, Gobindgarh, P.O:Jugiana, Distt:Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Sub Divisional Officer, PSPCL, Sahnewal, Distt:Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Engineer in Chief/DS, Central, PSPCL, Ludhiana.

.Respondents

AC No.784 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) Shri Kulwinder Singh, Addl.S.E. Estate Division, Special,, PSPCL, the respondent.

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 06.12.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office. Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia comes present in person to attend the hearing on behalf the appellant.
- 3. Shri Kulwinder Singh, Additional S.E /APIO, Estate Division, Special, PSPCL, Ludhiana also comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the information as available in the office records has been provided to the appellant and produces an affidavit dated 24.02.2022 of the PIO/Dy.Chief Engineer, City West, PSPCL, Ludhiana before the Bench, as directed on the previous hearing. The Bench also shows the affidavit to the representative of appellant.
- 4. On the asking of the Bench, Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, the representative of appellant states that the contents of affidavit are not in order as there is no mention of the

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position relating to supply of copy of the application submitted for restoration of connection with

regard to release of reconnection order.

5. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of PIO states that the appellant

has been given opportunity twice to inspect the records and the position in this regard has already

been explained to the appellant.

6. The Bench, on perusal of the documents available in the case file as also hearing

the version of the representative of the PIO as also perusing the contents of the affidavit produced

before the Bench, is convinced that the information as available in the official records of the PIO

stands supplied to the appellant and the affidavit has also been correctly filed.

7. In view of this, the Bench does not feel need of further intervention in the matter.

The appeal case is disposed off and closed. Copies of the orders be sent to the concerned

parties. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant along with the order.

Encl: Affidavit.

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Shri P.S.Sodhi S/o Late Sh.S.S. Sodhi #20-B, Shantipura, Jalandhar-144001.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Superintending Engineer, Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.(PSPCL) H.Q., Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Deputy Chief Engineer, Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd. (PSPCL), Jalandhar.

....Respondents

AC No. 2753 of 2021

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent

ORDER:

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 06.12.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. The appellant Shri P.S. Sodhi has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through Cisco Webex.
- 3. Shri Devinderpal Singh, Sr. XEN, PSPCL, Model Town, Jalandhar who attended the previous hearing has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex. The Bench, however, observes that a letter dated 09.12.2021 is available in the case file which shows that point-wise information has been supplied to the appellant, which has been duly acknowledged by the appellant.
- 4. The Bench has also received an e.mail from the appellant, whereby he has stated that he has received information but it is incomplete. He, however, states therein that due to illness, he cannot appear for the hearing. He also requests that in view of his illness, he does not want to pursue the appeal case further and requests for closure of the same.



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5. In view of the above, the Bench does not feel any need of further intervention in the matter. **The instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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Shri Karamjit Singh, S/o Shri Maghar Singh #1109, Khanna Nagar, Ward No.12, Bye-pass Road, Lehragaga, District Sangrur-148031.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Dy.Chief Accounts Officer, Pension & Accounts, Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. (PSTCL),Patiala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Accounts Officer, (Head Office), Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. (PSTCL),Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.4239 of 2021

Present:

- (i) Shri Karamjit Singh, Appellant.
- (ii) Shri Jaswinder Singh, Dy. Chief Accounts Officer Pensions & Funds, along with Shri Ishwar Chand, Asstt. Accounts Officer, PSPCL, Patiala.

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 10.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through cisco webex. The appellant Shri Karamjit Singh, comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He stats that certain information has still not been supplied as he has not been provided any information regarding withholding of his retiral benefits and regarding payment of interest on retiral benefits.
- 3. Shri Jaswinder Singh, Deputy Chief Accounts Officer Pensions & Funds,PIO/Respondent along with Shri Ishwar Chand, Assistant Accounts Officer, PSPCL, Patiala comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the reply has been given

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to the appellant on 10.01.2022. As regards the withholding of retiral benefits and interest on retiral benefits, the position has already been made clear during the previous hearing. He further states that the information as available in the official records has been supplied to the appellant.

- 4. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO Dy. Chief Accounts Officer Pensions & Funds, PSPCL, Patiala to file affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, within 21 (twenty one) days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.4239 of 2021 and has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Iqbal Singh, S/o Shri Jagjit Singh, R/o VPO Poohla, Patti Gurbaksh, Tehsil Nathana, District Bathinda.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Dy.Chief Executive Officer, District Parishad, Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Rural Development and Panchayat Department, Punjab Vikas Bhawan, Phase-8, Mohali.

...Respondents

AC No.5407/2021

Present:

- (i) Shri Iqbal Singh, Appellant.
- (ii) Ms.Jasbir Kaur, Sr. Assistant O/o Director, Rural Development and Panchayat, Mohali, on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 25.05.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 23.08.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 30.11.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 28.02.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Iqbal Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex.
- 3. Ms. Jasbir Kaur, Senior Assistant O/o Director, Rural Development & Panchayat, Punjab, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex and states that the information was sent to the appellant on 24.05.2021 by registered post. She further states that enquiry report after the enquiry was conducted in the complaint referred to in the RTI application was received on 18.10.2021 and the information has again been sent to the appellant on 07.01.2022, with a copy to the Commission by e.mail today.



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- 4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he has not been supplied information regarding the action taken report on his complaint made by him against Shri Balwinder Singh, Sarpanch, Village Poohla, District Bathinda. On enquiring from the representative of PIO, Ms. Jasbir Kaur states that though the information has already been sent to the appellant and she assures to send it again by registered post today.
- 5. On the assurance given by the representative of PIO, **the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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