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Shri Sushil Kumar
H.No.1410, Phase-I,
Urban Estate, Dugri Road,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Nodal Officer,
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.,
(PSPCL), Patiala.

First Appellate Authority

Chief Engineer (P&M),
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.3616 of 2021

Present:

- (i) Shri Sushil Kumar, Appellant, in person.
- (ii) Shri Arun Kumar Gupta, Dy.Chief Engineer/Tech. to Director, Distribution, PSPCL, Patiala, in person.
- (iii) Shri Gurpreet Singh, Addl.S.E. P&M Division, PSPCL, Ludhiana, in person.
- (iv) Shri Jatinder Singh, Addl.S.E., PSPCL, Patiala, in person.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.11.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Sushil Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
3. The Bench directs that response sent to the appellant by PSPCL, Patiala as also PSPCL Ludhiana will be discussed point-wise. Thereafter, the appellant will be asked to make his submissions.
4. Shri Arun Kumar Gupta, Dy. Chief Engineer, Tech. to Director, Distribution, PSPCL, Patiala and Jatinder Singh, Addl. S.E., PSPCL, Patiala, come present in person before the Bench. Shri Arun Kumar Gupta states that for information on point No.1, e.mail of appellant has been forwarded to Chief Engineer/Distribution, Central Zone, PSPCL, Ludhiana vide letter dated 21.05.2021 for further action and for information on point No.2, the e.mail has been sent to S.E./T.A. (Elect.),

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5. Shri Gurpreet Singh, Addl.S.E., P&M Division, PSPCL, Khanna, District Ludhiana and Shri Parminder Singh, Addl.SE, P&M Division, PSPCL, Ludhiana come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench on behalf of the PIO. Shri Gurpreet Singh states that the appellant has been supplied information on Point No.3 to 10 vide letter dated 31.08.2021 and letter No.5026 dated 28.09.2021. On the asking of the Bench, he explains reply to points No.3 to 10 as given vide above letters in detail.

6. On the asking of the Bench, appellant expresses his dis-satisfaction over the information supplied stating that the information supplied is incorrect as he has sought information with regard to the re-conduct of enquiry into the complaints made by him, after reopening the case, as per his e.mail dated 20.05.2021, as the same have been filed without associating him in the enquiry.

7. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO, Dy. Chief Engineer/Tech. to Director, Distribution, PSPCL, Patiala to supply information/reply on points No.1 & 2 with special reference to the contention of the appellant regarding re-conduct of enquiry into the complaints of appellant sent vide his e.mail dated 20.05.2021. The Bench also directs the PIO/ Chief Engineer, P&M Division, PSPCL, Ludhiana to supply information/reply on points No.3 to 10 with special reference to the contention of the appellant regarding re-conduct of enquiry into the complaints of appellant sent vide his e.mail dated 20.05.2021.

8. After supplying the information/giving reply as directed above, the PIOs concerned are directed to file an affidavit separately to the effect that the reply/information has been given to the appellant vide letter (giving therein the number and date) as available in the official records in AC No.3616/2021. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. They are also directed to come present in person and bring along the original affidavit as also the copy of information supplied and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing.

9. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.06.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh
28.03.2022**

**(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Smt. Neena Gupta
W/o Shri Sushil Kumar,
H.No.1410, Phase-I,
Urban Estate, Dugri Road,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Nodal Officer,
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.,
(PSPCL), Patiala.

First Appellate Authority
Chief Engineer, Central Zone,
Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd.,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.3617 of 2021

Present: (i) **Shri Sushil Kumar, on behalf of Appellant, in person.**
(ii) **Shri Anand Goyal, Nodal Officer/Law Officer, PSPCL, Patiala.**
(iii) **Shri Sandeep Singh Chahal, S.D.O. Operation Division, PSPCL,
Model Town, Ludhiana, in person on behalf of PIO.**

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.11.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Smt. Neena Gupta, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. Shri Sushil Kumar comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench on behalf of the appellant.
3. Shri Anand Goyal, Law Officer/Nodal Officer comes present in person before the Bench and states that as per directions of Hon'ble Bench on previous hearing, he has collected information from the concerned PIOs and the same was sent to the appellant vide letter dated 10.03.2022 and again on 21.03.2022. However, the same was received back undelivered.
4. The information is shown to the representative of appellant. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of appellant expresses his dis-satisfaction on the information supplied to the appellant.

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AC No.3617/2021

5. On enquiring from the Nodal Officer as to the veracity of information supplied and filing of affidavit in this regard, he states that he has only collected and supplied information to the appellant and that the Dy.Chief Engineer/TA (Electrical), PSPCL, Patiala, Dy. Chief Engineer, Enforcement, PSPCL, Ludhiana and Dy. Chief Engineer, HQ, Central Zone, PSPCL, Ludhiana are the concerned officers who have to file the requisite affidavit. **As such, Dy. Chief Engineer/TA (Electrical), PSPCL, Patiala, Dy. Chief Engineer, Enforcement, PSPCL, Ludhiana and Dy. Chief Engineer, HQ, Central Zone, PSPCL, Ludhiana are directed to again supply information to the appellant. The Dy. Chief Engineer/TA (Electrical), PSPCL, Patiala, Dy. Chief Engineer, Enforcement, PSPCL, Ludhiana and Shri Sandeep Singh Chahal, SDO, Model Town Division, PSPCL, Ludhiana, who is present today, are directed to come present in person before the Bench by bringing along the copy of information supplied as also the relevant record and produce the same before the Bench.**

6. The Bench also directs all the three PIOs mentioned above, to file an affidavit separately 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.3617 of 2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. The original affidavit be brought along for handing over the same to the appellant.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.06.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
28.03.2021
Copy to:**

- i) **Dy. Chief Engineer/TA (Electrical), PSPCL, Patiala,**
- ii) **Dy. Chief Engineer, Enforcement, PSPCL, Ludhiana**
- iii) **Dy. Chief Engineer, HQ, Central Zone, PSPCL, Ludhiana**

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Shri Bittu S/o Shri Om Kumar,
Village Bholapur, PO Sahibana,
Chandigarh Road,
District Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Administrator,
GLADA, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2937 of 2021

Present: i) **Shri Jasbir Singh, on behalf of the appellant.**
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 11.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Bittu, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex. However, Shri Jasbir Singh, attends the hearing through cisco webex on behalf of the appellant. He states that the appellant has not been supplied any information so far. However, a letter by e.mail dated 25.03.2022 has been received from the PIO, GLADA, Ludhiana stating that reply to the RTI application of the appellant has been given.
3. Neither the PIO O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. On the previous hearing also, the appellant was absent. This attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.

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4. The PIO O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by her in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. The PIO is directed to again send information to the appellant by registered post as well as by e.mail and ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.06.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
28.03.2022**

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GLADA, Ludhiana**

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Shri Veeru Singh,
S/o Shri Dolla Singh,
Village Ladhuka,
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

..... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department,
Sector 62, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department,
Sector 62, Mohali.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4897 of 2021

Present:- (i) **Shri Veeru Singh, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex.**
(ii) **None present on behalf of the respondent.**

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 11.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Veeru Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through CISCO Webex and states that the requisite information has not been provided to him by the PIO.
3. Neither the PIO, O/o Rural Development & Panchayat Department, Mohali has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing. The Bench also observes that the PIO has not filed reply to the show cause notice.
4. The PIO is directed to supply information to the appellant as also file reply to the show cause notice. He is also directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

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5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.06.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Narinder Singh,
S/o Shri Malkiat Singh,
R/o Chotta Buda Theh,
(Adarsh Nagar Beas),
Tehsil Baba Bakala Sahib,
Distt. Amritsar.

..... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o BDPO, Block Rayya,
Tehsil Baba Bakala Sahib,
Distt. Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and
Panchayat Officer (DDPO),
Amritsar.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4890 of 2021

Present:- (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 11.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today. Shri Narinder Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through CISCO Webex.
3. The PIO O/o BDPO Block Rayya, District Amritsar has also not come present to attend the hearing in person or through CISCO Webex.
4. In the absence of the appellant as well as the PIO, the Bench is unable to proceed further in the matter and deems it appropriate to adjourn the matter. The PIO is, however, directed to supply complete information to the appellant and also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

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5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.06.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Jang Bahadur,
S/o Shri Jai Chand,
R/o Mandi Aminganj, Rorhan wali,
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.

.....Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat,
Mandi Amin Ganj, Distt. Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority:
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Fazilka.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3928 of 2020

Present:- (i) **Shri Jang Bahadur, appellant.**
(ii) **None present on behalf of the respondent.**

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex)

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 11.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Jang Bahadur, appellant comes present through CISCO Webex to attend the hearing and states that the PIO has not supplied him the requisite information till date nor he has been paid the amount of compensation of Rs.5,000/-.
3. Mr. Chander Bhan, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Mandi Amin Ganj has not come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing. The PIO has neither filed reply to the Show Cause Notice as directed on 07.12.2021 nor he has supplied any information to the appellant.
4. So, Mr. Chander Bhan, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Mandi Amin Ganj is directed to supply information to the appellant as also to pay compensation of Rs.5000/- ordered earlier and to file reply to the Show Cause Notice, before the next hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.

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5. The PIO is also directed to come present in person before the Bench bringing along the copy of information supplied as also the original record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.06.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Jaswant Singh,

S/o Shri Bagga Singh,
R/o Village Hazara Singh Wala,
P.O. Mamdot,
Tehsil & Distt.Ferozepur.

..... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Panchayat Secretary,
Gram Panchayat, Hazara Singh Wala,
Block Mamdot, Distt. Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Distt. Dev. & Panchayat Officer,
Ferozepur.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1827 of 2021

Present:- (i) **Shri Jaswant Singh, Appellant.**
(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 11.01.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. Shri Jaswant Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through CISCO Webex. He states that incomplete information has been supplied to him and further states that he has deposited Rs.200/- as demanded by the PIO, but he has been provided information comprising only seven pages. He further states that the amount of compensation has been received by him.
3. Shri Pargat Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Hazara Singh Wala has not come present to attend the hearing either in person or through CISCO Webex.
4. The PIO is directed to provide complete information to the appellant and refund him the amount of Rs.200/-. After supplying the requisite information, the PIO is directed to file an affidavit duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the

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official records in AC No.1827 of 2021 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 copy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.06.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Jagmohan Singh Sidhu,
B-36/365, Lane No.4,
Vikas Nagar, Pakhowal Road,
Ludhiana.

--Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Block Development &
Panchayat Officer (BDPO),
Ludhiana-1.

First Appellate Authority:

O/o Block Dev. & Panchayat Officer,
Ludhiana-1.

..Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4708 of 2021

Present:- (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **None on behalf of PIO/Respondent.**

ORDER

1. This Order may be read with reference to the Order dated 11.01.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. Shri Jagmohan Singh Sidhu, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through CISCO Webex.
3. The PIO O/o BDPO, Ludhiana-1 has also not come present to attend the hearing either in person or through CISCO Webex.
4. The Bench observes that during the previous hearing, the appellant was advised that after the receipt of information he should go through the information provided and point out deficiencies, if any, to the PIO. He is again advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied, to the PIO.

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5. The PIO is also directed to supply the rectified information after removal of deficiencies, to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 29.06.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

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