

Rajesh Aggarwal
S/o Sh. Ram Roop,
Sunam,
Distt. - Sangrur(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Sunam,
Distt. - Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Mini Secretariat, Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4070 of 2020

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

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 23.08.2020. First appeal is dated 29.09.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 16.12.2020.

The case was earlier heard on 19.08.2021 and adjourned for 02.09.2021, which was postponed and fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021.

The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021.

Neither the appellant, Sh. Rajesh Aggarwal nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, he (respondent PIO) has also not sent any document, showing that the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, which reflects that he is trying to delay in supplying the required information to the information-seeker. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Sunam, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission 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. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

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Another opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received any information from the respondent PIO.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied/would be supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 5th January, 2022 (Wednesday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 28th October, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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(Regd. Post)	Munish Kaushal S/o Sh. N. D. Kaushal, H. No. 13 – D, Passi Road, Patiala - 147001(Punjab)	...Appellant
	V/s	
(Regd. Post)	Public Information Officer, O/o The Deputy Secretary, Pb. State Power Corporation Limited(P.S.P.C.L.), Patiala (Punjab)	
(Regd. Post)	First Appellate Authority, O/o The Chief Engineer/H.R.D., Pb. State Power Corporation Limited(P.S.P.C.L.), Patiala (Punjab)	...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 385 of 2020

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Bahadur Singh, Deputy Secretary (Establishment Non-Gazetted) ;
ii) Sh. Amrinder Singh, Clerk (Sports Section), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 01.10.2019. First appeal is dated 26.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 20.01.2020

The case was earlier heard on 19.08.2021 and adjourned for 02.09.2021 (which was postponed and fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021).

The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Munish Kaushal , is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Bahadur Singh, Deputy Secretary (Establishment Non-Gazetted) and Sh. Amrinder Singh, Clerk (Sports Section), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, seeks an adjournment in this case as Sh. Sehajbir Singh, Advocate, has been engaged as Counsel vide letter no. 5063 dated 05.10.2021 to defend this case on behalf of the department and he is unable to attend today's hearing and seeks an adjournment in this case. He also intimates the Commission that a reply, signed by PIO-cum- Deputy Secretary/Estab.-I, Pb. State Power Corporation Limited, Patiala has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 6078 dated 27.10.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, requesting to adjourn the instant appeal-case. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

Nevertheless, the concerned parties (the appellant and concerned respondent PIO) are directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared.

The case is adjourned to 18th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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Date : 28th October, 2021

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Madan Lal
S/o Sh. Ramji Dass,
R/o House No 51, Ward No 4 B,
Near Gaushala Gate, MK Road,
Dhuri, Distt Sangrur -148024 (Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s.

- i) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Senior Superintendent of Police,
Sangrur(Punjab)
- ii) Public Information Officer,
O/o The Station House Officer,
Thana City- Dhuri,
Distt. - Sangrur(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Inspector General of Police,
Zone Patiala,
Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1361 of 2021

Present : Sh. Munish Jindal on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Kuldeep Singh, A. S. I. (Incharge, RTI Cell) ;
ii) Sh. Karamjit Singh, A. S. I., Thana City - Dhuri , on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The RTI request is dated 06.10.2020. First appeal is dated 22.11.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.03.2021.

The case was earlier heard on 31.08.2021 and adjourned for 21.10.2021.

The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021.

Sh. Kuldeep Singh, A. S. I. (Incharge, RTI Cell) and Sh. Karamjit Singh, A. S. I., Thana City - Dhuri, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant. He also intimates the Commission that a reply has also been sent to the Commission vide letter no. 49 dated 24.08.2021 signed by Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 19123 dated 26.08.2021, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

Sh. Munish Jindal, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Madan Lal, in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to the appellant by the respondent PIO and orally intimated the remaining information to the representatives of the respondent during the hearing.

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Nevertheless, last opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the remaining information (as intimated during hearing) to the appellant. If any information, to any query/queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, is not available or not maintained in the official record or not received in the office, he/she (respondent-PIOs concerned of office of S. S. P., Sangrur or S. H. O., Thana City - Dhuri to whom the pending enquiry relates) will send/file a reply, in writing, to the particular query/queries, mentioning the reasons whether relevant official record is s not available or not maintained in the official record or not received in the office in the office, by the next date of hearing

A copy of this order also be sent to PIO office of S. H. O., Thana City – Dhuri for intimation.

The case is adjourned to 11th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The next date of hearing has been announced to both the parties in the open court.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 28th October, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,
Ward Number 18, Street Number 02,
Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road,
Khanna – 141401, District – Ludhiana (Punjab)

.....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Amloh Road,
Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Government Punjab,
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 683 of 2019

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

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 18.12.2018. First appeal is dated 07.01.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 20.02.2019.

On the earlier hearing, held on 08.09.2021 ;

- i) Sh. Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, stated that remaining information i. e. copy of G-25 Register was supplied to the appellant. The appellant stated that he has neither received information nor above-said reply from the respondent side.
- ii) The appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia , stated that he had not received above-said information.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.
- iv) The concerned parties (the appellant and the respondent PIO) were directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab or the case would be decided on merits.
- v) The case was adjourned for 21.10.2021.

The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021,

The appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh, through a letter dated 28.10.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and he has pointed put deficiencies in the supplied information. Through that letter, he also intimated that the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing as he is to appear personally before the Court of Judicial Magistrate - 1 in a Case at Ludhiana and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 3162 dated 27.10.2021 signed by Public Information Officer Office of Nagar Council, Khanna, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that the Executive Office is unable to attend today's hearing as he has to attend House Meeting in the office of Nagar Council, Khanna and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 18th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 28th October, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,
Ward Number 18, Street Number 02,
Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road,
Khanna – 141401, District – Ludhiana (Punjab)

.....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Amloh Road,
Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Government Punjab,
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 684 of 2019

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

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 18.12.2018. First appeal is dated 07.01.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 20.02.2019.

On the hearing, held on 08.09.2021 ;

- i) Sh. Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, stated that available information was supplied to the appellant and a reply in an affidavit for the part information, which is not found traceable in the office-record, was given to the appellant.
- ii) The appellant stated that he has neither received information nor above-said reply from the respondent side.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.
- iv) The concerned parties (the appellant and the respondent PIO) were directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab or the case would be decided on merits.
- v) The case was adjourned for 21.10.2021.

The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh, through a letter dated 28.10.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and he has pointed out deficiencies in the supplied information. Through that letter, he also intimated that the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing as he is to appear personally before the Court of Judicial Magistrate - 1 in a Case at Ludhiana and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 3162 dated 27.10.2021 signed by Public Information Officer Office of Nagar Council, Khanna, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that the Executive Office is unable to attend today's hearing as he has to attend House Meeting in the office of Nagar Council, Khanna and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 18th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 28th October, 2021

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,
Ward Number 18, Street Number 02,
Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road,
Khanna – 141401, District – Ludhiana (Punjab)

.....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Amloh Road,
Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Government Punjab,
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana(Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2209 of 2018

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

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 23.01.2018. First appeal is dated 04.03.2018. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 03.07.2018.

On the hearing, held on 08.09.2021 ;

- i) Sh. Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, stated that available information was supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 444 dated 03.09.2021.
- ii) The appellant stated that he has neither received information nor above-said reply from the respondent side.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which is supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared.
- iv) The concerned parties (the appellant and the respondent PIO) were directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab or the case would be decided on merits.
- v) The case was adjourned for 21.10.2021.

The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Ramandeep Singh, through a letter dated 28.10.2021, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and he has pointed out deficiencies in the supplied information. Through that letter, he also intimated that the Commission that he is unable to attend today's hearing as he is to appear personally before the Court of Judicial Magistrate - 1 in a Case at Ludhiana and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

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After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 3162 dated 27.10.2021 signed by Public Information Officer Office of Nagar Council, Khanna, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail, has intimated the Commission that the Executive Office is unable to attend today's hearing as he has to attend House Meeting in the office of Nagar Council, Khanna and requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Nevertheless, another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which is supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 18th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 28th October, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Ashok Kumar Watts,
H. No. B-V-1534,
Street No. 01, Lajpat Nagar,
Abohar, Distt. – Fazilka - 152116(Punjab)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government. of Punjab,
Deptt. of Local Government,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Principal Secretary
to Government. of Punjab,
Deptt. of Local Government,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector 35 - A,
Plot No. 03, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 430 of 2021

Present : Sh. Ashok Kumar Watts, the appellant in person.
Sh. Ashish, Superintendent-cum-PIO (LG-III Branch), for the respondent.

ORDER

Heard.

The RTI request is dated 19.10.2020. First appeal is dated 21.11.2020. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 12.01.2021.

On the earlier date of hearing, held on 15.09.2021 ;

- i) The appellant stated that he sent a letter dated 26.07.2021, intimating that through replies intimation has been given to him that enquiry is still pending, whereas, enquiry has been completed.
- ii) Sh. Sukhdev Singh, Superintendent, LG – IV Branch, stated that the certified copies of the requisite information were supplied to the appellant time and again vide letters dated 08.01.2021, 22.02.2021, 29.06.2021 and 19.07.2021 and again sent to him vide letter no. 1591 dated 17.08.2021.
- iii) An opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed so that facts of this case could be cleared .
- iv) An opportunity was given to both the parties to be present with the information (already supplied in the instant appeal-case) during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared and the case was adjourned for 21.10.2021.
- v) The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021

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Sh. Ashish, Superintendent-cum-PIO (LG-III Branch), who appeared in today's hearing, states that available information has already been supplied to the appellant time and again vide letters dated 08.01.2021, 22.02.2021, 29.06.2021, 19.07.2021 and 17.08.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar Watts, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent PIO as he has received information at point no. 03 of RTI request and information at point no. 01 and 02 is still pending. He also intimates that through replies intimation has been given to him that enquiry is still pending, whereas, enquiry has been completed.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the remaining information at point no. 01 and 02 of the RTI request to the appellant. If any information, to any query/queries raised by the appellant through RTI request, is not givable or under process under an/any enquiry, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will send/file a reply, in writing, to the particular query/queries to the appellant, stating whether enquiry is still pending or matter is under process with the Government of Punjab and till the decision of the Higher Authorities come, no document can be supplied. He is also directed to send a copy of that reply in advance to the appellant through registered post and send a copy of the same to the Commission to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.

The case is adjourned to 18th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

The next date of hearing has been announced to both the parties in the open court.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 28th October, 2021

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Kamal Kishore Shukla,
H. No. 500,
Sector 20-A,
Chandigarh

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Technical Education
and Industrial Training Department,
Punjab, Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director, Technical Education and
Industrial Training Department,
Punjab, Sector 36-A, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4661 of 2019

Present : Sh. Kamal Kishore, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 12.09.2019. First appeal is dated 24.10.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 16.12.2019.

The case was earlier heard on 20.09.2021 and adjourned for 21.10.2021 (which was postponed).

The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021.

The appellant, Sh. Kamal Kishore, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that complete information has not been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. Moreover, he (respondent PIO) has also not sent any document, showing that the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, which reflects that he is trying to delay in supplying the required information to the information-seeker. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Director, Technical Education and Industrial Training Department, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

He may note that in case he does not file his submission 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. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

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Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to bring a copy of the information (which was already supplied/would be supplied to the appellant) with the relevant official record in the Commission before the bench of the undersigned on the next date of hearing fixed in the office of State Information Commission, Punjab so that facts of this case could be cleared.

If the respondent PIO would not appear before the Commission to attend the hearing, action would be taken against him as per provisions of the RTI Act.

The appellant is also directed to remain present during the proceedings of the instant appeal-case on the next date of hearing fixed.

If the appellant would not attend the hearing fixed, it would be assumed that he is not willing to pursue the case further and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is adjourned to 18th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

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P. S. :

Sh. Rupinder Singh, Deputy Director, who appeared for the respondent, after the hearing was over. He was read out the above order.

The case stands adjourned to 18th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.



Ms. Navjeet Kaur,
House Number 43,
Mohalla Darapur,
Near Session Chowk,
Hoshiapur-146001(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Director,
Technical Education and
Industrial Training Department, Pb.,
Sector 36-A, Plot Number 1,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Director,
Technical Education and
Industrial Training Department, Pb.,
Sector 36-A, Plot Number 1,
Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4657 of 2019

Present : Sh. Amanpreet Singh, Advocate, on behalf of the appellant.
Ms. Monika Bansal, Deputy Director-cum-PIO(Technical Education Wing) in person.

ORDER

Heard.

The case was earlier heard on 19.08.2021 and adjourned for 02.09.2021 (which was postponed and fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021).

The RTI request is dated 18.09.2019. First appeal is dated 31.10.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 16.12.2019.

The case was earlier heard on 22.09.2021 and adjourned for 21.10.2021.

The hearing in the instant appeal-case, which was fixed to be heard on 21.10.2021, could not held and the case was postponed for today i. e. 28.10.2021.

Sh. Amanpreet Singh, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Ms. Navjeet Kaur, in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to the appellant by the respondent PIO as she has demanded information regarding eleven vacant posts of 'Physics' Lecturers advertised through advertisement no. 07 dated 06.08.2018, which has not been supplied to her by the respondent PIO. It is taken on record.

Ms. Monika Bansal, Deputy Director-cum-PIO(Technical Education Wing), who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant

Nevertheless, the concerned PIO is directed to file a proper reply to the queries raised by the appellant through RTI request. He/She(respondent PIO concerned) is also directed to send the reply to the appellant through registered post in advance with a copy to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether she has received the information/reply (which would be sent to her by the respondent PIO), or not.

The case is adjourned to 18th November, 2021 (Thursday) at 11:00 A. M. for hearing in Court Room office of State Information Commission, Punjab, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

The next date of hearing has been announced to both the parties in the open court.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 28th October, 2021

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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