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Karamjeet Singh,
S/o Maghar Singh,
Khanna Nagar, Road Bye Pass,
Lehra Gaga,
District Sangrur – 148 031.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Chief Electrical Inspector to Punjab Govt.,
Near Govt. Girls Senior Secondary School
New Power House Colony,
Patiala.

Public Information officer,
Senior Executive Engineer,
Punjab Power Corporation Limited,
Division Budhladha,
District Mansa.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
o/o Chief Engineer (West) Zone,
Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,
Patiala.

Appeal case No.1843 of 2020 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT

Karamjeet Singh (Appellant) 9463962995.
Uttam Kumar Bansal, (for the respondent) XEN-cum-APIO-9646114513.
Davinder Singh, SDO(for the respondent) -9646115777.
Naveen Jindal, UDC-(for the respondent) 7589535009.

ORDER

(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 25.3.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated 5.12.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding JE Mohan Lal and a complaint against him etc.,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 22.1.2020 and second appeal was filed with the Commission on 4.10.2020 under section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005. The case was last heard on 25.3.2021.

2. The appellant joined this hearing via Webex. The respondent PIO, represented by Uttam Kumar Bansal, XEN-cum-APIO, Davinder Singh, SDO, Naveen Jindal, UDC, are present through Video Conference Facility from Sangrur. As ordered by the Commission, the respondent arranged the inspection of the concerned record on 6.4.2021, following which the appellant was given 6 pages after due attestation. As per the present status of the case, both the appellant and respondent agreed that information with regard to point No. 4,5,9 and 10 have been received by the appellant. Regarding point No. 6 and 7, a letter seeking the information has been sent by SDO Bareta to Chief Electrical Inspector, Patiala (Letter No.526 dated 6.4.2021)

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3. However as per the respondent PIO, no reply has yet been received from the Chief Electrical Inspector, Patiala. The Commission impleads the PIO Office of Chief Electrical Inspector, Patiala and directs him to file a written reply along with the information pertaining to point No. 6 and 7 of this RTI application which was communicated to him vide letter No.526 dated 6.1.2020 by SDO Bareta.

4. IMPORTANT All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must be mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act. 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

5. Next hearing on 23.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility. (The appellant will attend the hearing at D.C. Office Sangrur and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at D.C. Office, Patiala.)

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

29.7.2021

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Lajpat Rai,
S/o Harbans Lal,
H.No B-3/287,
Romana Street, Jaito,
District Faridkot.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Divisional Forest Officer,
Bhagat Singh Colony,
Ferozepur City,
First Appellate Authority-cum-
o/o Conservator of Forests,
Near Wazidpur Gurdwara,
Moga Road, Ferozepur.

Appeal case No.778 of 2021 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT

Lajpat Rai (Appellant) 9814230616.
Lalit Kumar, Clerk (for the respondent) 9592771524.

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 21.3.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding construction of new double storey buildings**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 19.12.2020 and second appeal was filed with the Commission on 3.2.2021 under section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005, Notice was issued to the parties for the first hearing in the Commission on 29.7.2021.

2. Both parties are present via Cisco Webex. The respondent PIO, represented by Lalit Kumar, Clerk, stated that this RTI application was received only after the appellant filed the second appeal. As per his contention, a copy of the RTI application received by him was not readable and two letters – No. 4452 dated 14.1.2021 and no. 174 dated 15.4.2021 were sent to the appellant requesting him to submit a legible copy of the RTI application. The respondent stated that there was no response from the appellant. The RTI application available on the file in the Commission was examined and found to be readable. The RTI application be scanned and sent to the respondent PIO via WhatsApp today.

3. The respondent PIO is to file a written point-wise reply alongwith a requested information to the appellant with a copy to this Commission before the next hearing.

4. IMPORTANT All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must be mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act. 2005
Signature of the PIO
Name of the PIO
Name of the Public Authority
Date

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Appeal case No.778 of 2021 (Video Conference proceedings)

5. Next hearing on 24.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility from Jalandhar.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Jasbir Singh,
S/o Harbans Singh,
Jalal Khara, Post Office, Sular,
District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Sub Divisional Officer, Chorwala,
Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,
District Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Executive Engineer,
Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,
Sirhand, District Fatehgarh Sahib.

Appeal case No. 3108 of 2020 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT

(Appellant) Absent

Surinder Singh, XEN-cum-PIO (for the respondent) 9646111415.

Arvind Kumar, SDO (for the respondent) 9646111556.

ORDER

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 25.3.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated 25.7.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Linemen posted in Ucha Reuna and Nicha Reuna of Chorwala Sub Division**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 26.8.2020 and second appeal was filed with the Commission on 19.10.2021 under section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005. The case was last heard on 25.3.2021.

2. The appellant is absent, but he has informed the Commission that he has not received the requested information. The respondent PIO-cum-XEN, has, as directed by this Commission at the last hearing on 25.3.2021, submitted a written reply along with some information. However, on examination, it was found that none of the pages are attested. Furthermore, the information sent to the appellant by Registered Post has not been received by him.

3. The respondent PIO is directed to make two fresh sets of his reply along with the appended information and send these to the Commission after duly attesting as per format stipulated at point No.4 of this Commission's orders of 25.3.2021. This must be done at the earliest.

4. Next hearing on 24.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility from Fatehgarh Sahib.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Yogesh Mahajan,
S/o Kuldeep Raj Mahajan,
Opp. Water Tank, Municipal Market,
Mission Road, Pathankot.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Executive Engineer (Civil),
Mandi Boar Division,
Kapurthala.
First Appellate Authority-cum-
o/o Chief Engineer (North),
Mandi Board, Sector-17,
Chandigarh.

Appeal case No. 806 of 2021 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT

Appellant (Absent)

Respondent (Absent)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 5.11.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Tenders**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 7.12.2020 and second appeal was filed with the Commission on 8.2.2021 under section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005, Notice was issued to the parties for the first hearing in the Commission on 29.7.2021.

2. Both the parties are absent. The respondent PIO has however, informed this Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. Meanwhile, in a letter - No. 1421 dated 29.7.2021, the respondent PIO has informed the Commission that the requested information was supplied vide Letter No. 1332 dated 16.7.2021. A copy of the postal receipt has also been appended.

3. There has been no further communication from the appellant who is advised herewith to examine the information supplied to him and list any deficiency to the respondent PIO with a copy to this Commission.

4. Next hearing on 24.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility from Jalandhar.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Yogesh Mahajan,
S/o Kuldeep Raj Mahajan,
Opp. Water Tank, Municipal Market,
Mission Road, Pathankot.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Executive Engineer,
Rajsthan Feeder Division,
Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
o/o Superintendent Engineer,
Canal Circle Division,
Ferozepur.

Appeal case No. 810 of 2021 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT

Appellant (Absent)

Gurjinder Singh, SDO (for the respondent) 8591206002.

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 5.11.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding works carried out in the Division from 4.11.19 to 4.11.20 etc.**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 7.12.2020 and second appeal was filed with the Commission on 8.2.2021 under section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005, Notice was issued to the parties for the first hearing in the Commission on 29.7.2021.

2. The appellant is absent. The respondent PIO, represented by Gurjinder Sijng, SDO stated that the requested information along with a point-wise reply was sent to the appellant vide letter NO. 355-56 on 3.2.2021.

3. The respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of the information supplied as well as the point-wise reply that was sent to the appellant, to this Commission.

4. Next hearing on 24.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility from Jalandhar.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Ravinder Singh,
S/o Guizar Singh,
H.No.16, Saheed Nagar,
Chhehartta,
Amritsar-143105.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Amritsar Development Authority,
Amritsar.
First Appellate Authority-cum-
o/o Chief Administrator,
Amritsar Development Authority,
Amritsar.

Appeal case No. 1204 of 2020 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT

Appellant (Absent)

Respondent (Absent)

ORDER

(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 17.9.2020, 6.11.2020 and 25.3.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated 10.1.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding application bearing Diary No.7704 dated 31.1.2019 pertaining to Sub Divisional JEs report and notices sent to the promoters of an "illegal" colony**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 10.2.2020 and second appeal was filed with the Commission on 23.3.2020 under section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005. The case was last heard on 25.3.2021.

2. Both parties are absent. The appellant has intimated his inability to attend this hearing via an email dated 29.7.2021. The respondent is absent without intimation. It is notable that at the last hearing, the respondent PIO was given final opportunity to appear in person along with requested information failing which penal action will be initiated against him as per RTI Act.

3. However, in the absence of the appellant who has requested an adjournment, this case is now be heard in its next hearing.

4. Next hearing on 25.11.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility from Amritsar.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Jasbir Singh,
Guru Nanak Nagar,
Village Bolapur, Jhabewal,
Post Office-Ramgarh,
District Ludhiana-141123

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
District Fatehgarh Sahib.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
District Fatehgarh Sahib.

Appeal case No. 3494 of 2020 (Video Conference proceedings)

PRESENT

Appellant (Absent)
Dinesh Kumar, Clerk (for the respondent) 9988911696

ORDER

(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 25.3.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **10.8.20** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding implementation of the food safety and standards act 2006 from January 2019 to December 2019**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **10.9.2020** and second appeal was filed with the Commission on **24.3.2021** under section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005. This appeal case was last heard on **25.3.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission that he has not received the requested information. The respondent PIO, represented by Dinesh Kumar, Clerk is present through Video Conference facility from Fatehgarh Sahib. In a letter to the appellant (No. 384/Peshi dated 10.6.2020), the respondent PIO invited the appellant for inspection of the record and informed him that he was to pay fee for both the inspection as well as for any photo-copies he may require.

3. This is not as per the RTI Act 2005 and the respondent PIO deserves censure for his conduct. The Commission again directs the respondent PIO to submit a written, point-wise reply which is to be in tabulated form with the points of the RTI application on the left side and the respondent's reply on the right side.

4. The information as required at point No. 2 and 3 is to be given or if (as contended by the respondent) the information is too voluminous, the PIO must state this in his reply along with estimated volume / number of pages that would need to be copied. This must be done within 15 days from receiving of this order. A copy of the information be sent to the appellant as well as to this Commission.

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Appeal case No. 3494 of 2020 (Video Conference proceedings)

5. IMPORTANT All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must be mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act. 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

6. Next hearing on 24.12.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility from Fatehgarh Sahib.

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

29.7.2021