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Sh. Malkit Singh, 9877441835,
S/o Sh. Niranjana Singh,
R/o VPO- Khanpur, Tehsil- Malerkotla,
District-Sangrur.

.....Appellant
Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Malerkotla-I. District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Mini Secretariat, Sangrur.

.....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4275 of 2019
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Malkiat Singh, appellant.
Sh. Harjit Singh, Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 7.7.2020.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer states that the complete information has been supplied to the appellant. The appellant agrees with the submissions of the respondent-Public Information Officer. With regard to the compensation in the shape of demand draft amounting to Rs.5000/- to be provided to the appellant, the respondent-Public Information Officer states that the same will be handed over to the appellant today as he has inadvertently prepared the demand draft of Rs.10000/-.

3. Accordingly, the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to hand over the demand draft amounting to Rs.5000/- to the appellant today and a photo copy of the demand draft along with the receipt of the appellant may be sent to the Commission for information. Also the Block Development and Panchayats Officer is directed to send the copy of challan amount deposited in the Government Treasury after deduction from the salary of Sh. Harjit Singh, Panchayat Secretary regarding penalty imposed vide order dated 7.7.2020.

4. To come up on 10.8.2020 at 11.30 AM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur.

Dated: 3.8.2020

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

CC

The Deputy Commissioner (By name) (REGD.)
District Administrative Complex
Sangrur

Sh. Narpinder Singh Grewal,
District Development and Panchayats Officer, (REGD.)
Administrative Complex,
District Sangrur.

Ms. Amandeep Kaur,
Block Development and Panchayats Officer, (REGD.)
Block Malerkotla-1,
District Sangrur.

Shri Harjit Singh, Panchayats Secretary (Regd.)
c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Malerkotla-1, District Sangrur.

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Sh. Gagandeep Singh Threke, 9780471680
SCO No. 26, Shant Park,
Main Sua Road,
Threke,
District Ludhiana 142028.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Director,
Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt., Pb.
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,
Mohali

First Appellate Authority
o/o Director,
Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt., Pb.
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,
Mohali

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1655 of 2020
(Cisco Webex proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Gagandeep Singh Threke, on phone call.
None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 10.2.2020 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 20.3.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 23.6.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today. The case was fixed for hearing through Video Conference Facility but due to technical problem the case is being heard through Cisco Webex Facility/Phone call.

2. The appellant states that nothing has been received from the respondents. Whereas, a message has been received from sh. Joginder Singh, 9815825828 that the matter belongs to the District Development and Panchayats Officer office, Ludhiana and the case will be transferred to him under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005.

3. As per the message received from the respondents, the Public Information Officer o/o the District Development and Panchayats Officer, Ludhiana is impleaded as necessary party in this case for submission of reply/supply of information pertaining to the RTI application before the next date of hearing, a copy of which is attached with this order. The appellant is advised to go through the same on its receipt from the respondent-Public Information Officer and point out deficiency, if any, to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission.

4. To come up on 24.8.2020 at 11.30 AM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 3.8.2020

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

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Sh. James s/o Sh. Ra Kumar 9888898792
r/o H.no. 94, Street No. 1,
Peeru Banda, Salem Tabri
District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Chief Minister, Punjab,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority
o/o Chief Minister, Punjab,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1,
Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer
o/o Additional Chief Secretary, Govt. of Punjab,
Department of Home Affairs & Justice,
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1656 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. James, appellant in person at Chandigarh.
None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 27.1.2020 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 26.2.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 23.6.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that nothing has been received from the respondents pertaining to the RTI application. Whereas, the copy of letter bearing No. 1877 dated 29.7.2020 has been received from the Chief Minister's Office, Punjab vide which the RTI application of the appellant has been transferred under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Additional Chief Secretary Govt. of Punjab, Department of Home Affairs and Justice.

3. Accordingly, the Public Information Officer o/o the Additional Chief Secretary Govt. of Punjab, Department of Home Affairs and Justice is impleaded as necessary party in this case. He is also directed to file his reply/supply the information to the appellant before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission.

4. To come up on 24.9.2020 at 11.30 AM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana/Cisco Webex.

Dated: 3.8.2020

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

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Sh. Gagandeep Kumar s/o Sh. Joginder Pal
r/o VPO Kathu nangal,
Tehsil Majitha,
District Amritsar.

..Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat,
District Amritsar.

....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 350 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Gagandeep Kumar, appellant.
Sh. Balwinder Singh, Superintendent on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 17.10.2019 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 23.6.2020 under Section 18 of the right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that no information has been supplied by the respondents so far. However, the representative of the respondents requests for the adjournment of the case. Accordingly, the case is adjourned with the directions to the respondent-Public Information Officer to file the reply/supply the information before the next date of hearing to the complainant under intimation to the Commission.

3. To come up on 1.9.2020 at 11.30 AM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Dated: 3.8.2020

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

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S. Tirlochan Singh
r/o H.No. 848 A,
MIG Jamalpur Colony,
District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat,
District Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer
o/o Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1675 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

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

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 30.1.2020 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 3.3.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.6.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. A request from the appellant has been received regarding adjournment of the case. Accordingly, the respondent-Public Information Officer has been informed on phone regarding the absence of the appellant and not to appear in this case. However, a letter has been received bearing No. 819 dated 31.7.2020 through an email from the respondent-Public Information Officer, Secretary RTA, Ludhiana to whom the RTI application has been transferred by the office of the Deputy Commissioner that the appellant has sought the action taken on the complaint dated 6.12.2019. A copy of an email sent by the respondent-Public Information Officer is taken on record. The respondent Public Information Officer further mentioned in the letter that as per the record no complaint dated 6.12.2019 has been found.

3. After going through the record, it is observed that the complainant has sought the action taken on the complaint dated 16.12.2019 and not 6.12.2019 as mentioned by the respondent-Public Information Officer in his aforesaid letter. A copy of the RTI application is attached with this order and directions are issued to the respondent-Public Information Officer to file the action taken on the complaint of the complainant dated 16.12.2019 before the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on 24.9.2020 at 11.30 AM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 3.8.2020

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

Encl: RTI application

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S. Tirlochan Singh
r/o H.No. 848 A,
MIG Jamalpur Colony,
District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Mini Secretariat,
District Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1679 of 2020
(Video Conference Proceedings)

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

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 22.2.2020 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 30.4.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.6.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. A request from the appellant has been received regarding adjournment of the case. Accordingly, the respondent-Public Information Officer has been informed on phone regarding the absence of the appellant and not to appear in this case. However, a letter has been received bearing No. 3502 dated 31.7.2020 through an email from the respondent-Public Information Officer in which it has been mentioned that complaint No. 11078/10/2019 has not been received in the office (ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਮਸੂਲ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਈ ਹੈ) .

3. Accordingly a copy of the said letter dated 31.7.2020 is attached with the order for the information of the appellant. He is also advised that in case there is any deficiency/submissions, the same may be sent to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission within 15 days from the issue of this order and the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to take the appropriate action in case of any receipt from the appellant.

4. To come up on 24.9.2020 at 11.30 AM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated: 3.8.2020

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

Encl: letter dated 31.7.2020

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Sh. Niranjn Singh s/o Fauja Singh 9988854725

r/o H.No. 1681

Street Guruawali,

Jandiala Guru,

District Amritsar.

....Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer

o/o Deputy Commissioner,

Mini Secretariat,

District Amritsar.

....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 340 of 2020

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Naranjan Singh, appellant.

Sh. Balwinder Singh, Superintendent on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 25.01.2019 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 22.6.2020 under Section 18 of the right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The representative of the respondent states that the matter relates to the Addl. Deputy Commissioner (Development) Faridkot and the RTI application of the complainant has been transferred to the said office vide no. 101 dated 10.2.2020, a copy of which has been sent to the Commission, which is taken on record.

3. Accordingly, as per the RTI application it reveals that the information relates to the Public Information Officer o/o Financial Commissioner, Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt., Pb., hence, he is impleaded as necessary party in this case to file his submissions/supply the information before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission.

4. To come up on 1.9.2020 at 11.30 AM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar.

Dated: 3.8.2020

(Suresh Arora)

Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

CC

Public Information Officer (By name)

Registered

o/o Financial Commissioner,

Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt., Pb.,

Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62, Mohali

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Sh. Nachatar Singh S/o Sh. Hamir Singh,
R/o Village –KuthaKheri,
Tehsil –Rajpura, (99886-54758)
District- Patiala.

.....Appellant

Vs

Shri Jai Bhagwan, (Regd.)
Panchayats Secretary
o/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Block – Shambu Kalan, Tehsil Rajpura,
District- Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer,
Mini Secretariat, Patiala.

..... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 243 of 2020

Present: None on behalf of the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 7.7.2020 vide which the penalty amounting to Rs.5000/- has been imposed upon the respondent-Public Information Officer Sh. Jai Bhagwan and compensation amount to Rs.5000/- awarded in favour of the appellant.

2. Due to technical problem in the Video Conference Facility, today i.e. 3.8.2020, the case could not be heard. Hence, the case is adjourned to 18.8.2020 at 11.30 A.M. at Chandigarh with the directions to the respondents to comply with the orders of the Commission dated 7.7.2020 regarding supply of information, penalty to be recovered from the respondent-Public Information Officer Sh. Jai Bhagwan and award of compensation in favour of the appellant before the next date of hearing.

Dated:3.8.2020

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

CC

District Development and Panchayats Officer, (By name) (REGD.)
Administrative Complex,
Patiala

For compliance

Block Development and Panchayats Officer (By name) (Regd.)
Block Shambu Kalan,
Tehsil Rajpura,
District Patiala.

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