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Sh. Bawa Bhulinder Singh, S/o Sh. Dalip Singh, R/o Abadi Mata Ganga Ji, Nagar, Gujrdwara Khoo Bhai Manj Sahib, Tarn Taran Road, Amrtisar.

....Appellant.

V/s.

Public Information Officer, **O/o** Excise & Taxation Department

O/o Excise & Taxation Department, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority:

O/o Addl. Commissioner, Excise & Taxation Deptt., Amritsar.

Registered post: 2.Public Information Officer

O/o Assistant Tax Commissioner (Excise)

Court Road, Amritsar.

....Respondent.

Appeal Case No. 4779 of 2021

Present: (i) Sh. Bawa Bhulinder Singh the appellant

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Dharvinder, Excise Inspector (9815732379)

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 19.01.2022 vide which PIO, o/o Assistant Tax Commissioner (Excise) was impleaded as respondent no. 2

2. Today, the respondent states that he has brought reply in the Commission which is as under:-

"As per our office record Hotel Highland Inn, Queens Road, Opp Shiraz Hotel, Amritsar does not have Beer Bar License and there is no any record regarding establishment of above said hotel."

3. Copy of the same is handed over to the appellant. The appellant has gone through the same and states that he is satisfied.

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4. In view of the foregoing, no cause of action is left, hence the appeal case filed by the appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Dated: 30.03.2022 (Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
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Dr Poonam Sharma, (M-9779666057) #83, Golden City, Near APJ School, Mundi Kharar-140301

.....Appellant

..Vs

Public Information Officer, O/o Tehsildar, kharar

First Appellate Authority, O/o SDM, kharar

.....Respondent

AC No. 2693 of 2021

Present: (i) Dr Poonam Sharma, Appellant (9779666057) alongiwth Sh. Rajeev Diwan (9814428544)

(ii) For the Respondent: Smt Rajni Bala, Sr asstt.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 17.01.2022.

2. Smt Rajni Bala appearing on behalf of the Respondent states that the reply/information has been sent to the appellant by registered post. She has also filed a copy of the same vide Commission diary no.6469 dated 29.03.2022 stating as under:-

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AC No. 2693 of 2021

Copy of the same is taken on record.

Dated: 30.03.2022

- 3. The Appellant states that she has not received the same till date. Hence, a copy of the reply is handed over to the Appellant today. She has gone through the same and states that she is satisfied with it.
- 4. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left. Hence, the appeal case filed by the Appellant is **disposed off and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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Sh. Manjit Singh, S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh Village Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib, Distt. Ropar (8427498620)

......Appellant

Public Information Office

O/o Tehsildar, Dera Bassi, Mohali

First Appellate Authority O/o SDM, Dera Bassi, Mohali

.....Respondent

AC.No. 4976 of 2021

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER

Dated: 30.03.2022

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 14.02.2022 vide which last opportunity was given to the Appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case.

- 2. Today neither the Appellant nor the Respondent is present.
- 3. The perusal of the file shows that the Appellant is not present today. He was not present on the previous date of hearings also i.e. 10.12.2021 and 14.02.2022. He has not even bothered to inform the Commission about his absence.
- 4. In the aforementioned circumstances, I am of the considered view that no useful purpose would be served by prolonging this matter any further. Hence, the Appeal case filed by the Appellant is **dismissed for non-perusal**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Kuldeep Singh, Soiya Road, Rajgarh Colony, Ward No. 7, Sangrur.

....Appellant

Vs.

Public Information Officer,

O/o Director General School Education, Pb., Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Principal Secretary, School Education, Education Department, Pb., Chandigarh.

.. Respondent

Appeal Case No. 4782 of 2021

Present:- (i) Shri Kuldeep Singh appellant

(ii) For the Respondent: Sh Harish Kumar, Sr Asstt and Sh Aman Saini, Clerk

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 19.01.2022.

- 2. The Respondent states that they have brought the information today to be handed over to the Appellant. Copy of the same is handed over to the Appellant.
- 3. The Appellant has gone through the same and states that he is satisfied with it.
- 4. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left. Hence, the appeal case filed by the Appellant is **disposed off and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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Dated: 30.03.2022

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Sh Neeraj Kumar, Advocate (9888260085)		
Sh Suraj Kumar, Advocate		
C/o Chamber No.4020, Lawyer's Chambers complex,		
Part-II, District court, Ludhiana		Appellant
	Vs	
Public Information Officer,		
O/o Joint Sub Registrar,		
Goraya, Distt Jalandhar		
First Appellate Authority,		
O/o SDM, Phillaur, Distt Jalandhar		Respondent

AC No. 4969 of 2021

Present: (i) None for the Appellant.

(ii) For the Respondent: Sh Umang Sharma, Jr Asstt (9780012132)

ORDER

Dated: 30.03.2022

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.01.2022 vide which an opportunity was given to the Appellant to appear before the Commission and state his case.

- 2. The Appellant is again absent today.
- 3. The Respondent has filed his reply as under:-
 - "ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਬੇਨਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਵਲੋਂ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸੂਚਨਾਂ ਇਸ ਦਫ਼ਤਰ ਵਲੋਂ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰਬਰ 12/ਆਰ.ਚੀ.ਆਈ ਮਿਤੀ 05.01.21 ਅਤੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰਬਰ 344 ਮਿਤੀ 3.12.21 ਰਾਂਹੀ ਮੁਹਇਆ ਕਰਵਾਈ ਜਾ ਚੁੱਕੀ ਹੈ ਜੀ।"
- 4. The appellant is absent today. He was not even present on the last date of hearing. The respondent states that the information demanded by the appellant has already been sent to the appellant. Since, the appellant is absent for second consecutive hearing, hence it is presumed that he is satisfied with the information provided by the respondent.
- 5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left. Hence, the appeal case filed by the Appellant is **disposed of and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Sh Satinderpal Singh Dhaliwal, Advocate Street no. 4, Mohalla Guru Nanak Nagar, Kacha Malak Road, Jagraon, Distt Ludhiana (M-9417265263)

......Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o DGP, Pb Chandigarh Sector-9, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority O/o DGP, Pb Chandigarh Sector-9, Chandigarh

Responde

AC No. 4768 of 2021

..Vs

Present:-

- (i) None for the appellant
- (ii) For the Respondent: Sh Ram Parshad, Sr Asstt. O/o BOI, Pb

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 18.07.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.10.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

- 2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.03.2022 in the Commission office. However, on 07.03.2022, the abovementioned case could not be heard and was postponed to be heard on 30.03.2022,i.e, today.
- 3. The Appellant is not present today.
- 4. Sh Ram Parshad, Sr Asstt is appearing on behalf of Bureau of Investigation, Punjab and states that the PIO O/o DGP, Pb transferred the RTI application of the Appellant to them since the information is lying with them. Further they have filed their reply vide Commission diary no. 114 dated 04.01.2022 as under:-

"ਪ੍ਰਾਰਥੀ ਨੂੰ ਪਹਿਲਾ ਵੀ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ.240/ਕਰਾਇਮ ਸੀਬੀ 4 ਮਿਤੀ 23/11/2021 ਰਾਹੀਂ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾ ਚੁੱਕਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਉਸ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸਚਨਾ ਦਾ ਸਬੰਧ ਵੱਖ-ਵੱਖ ਲੋਕ ਸਚਨਾ ਅਫ਼ਸਰਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਹੋਣ ਕਰਕੇ ਮੰਗੀ ਗਈ ਸਚਨਾ ਆਪਣੇ ਪੱਧਰ ਤੇ ਹਾਸਿਲ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ।"

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5. From the perusal of the information, it is clear that the information demanded by the information seeker relates to different PIOs. Each of these authorities has also separate PIOs. Under-section 6(1)(a) a person seeking information has to apply to the concerned public authority. It is not the job of one PIO to collect and thereafter collate this information from different PIOs of different Public Authorities and then supply the same to the appellant. Appellant may note that there is a clear mention in the orders of former CIC in CC: 05 of 2010 which is reproduced as under:-

"that this obligation under Section 6 of the Act is to transfer the application to 'that other public authority' and not to public ' authorities'. The expression used in Section 6 is 'authority' and not 'authorities'. Simply put, the PIO is expected to transfer a request which does not relate to him but has nevertheless been received by him, one identifiable authority. He is not expected to transfer such a request if information is held by many or a number of authorities. The rational is that a PIO is not a post office or a coordinator for forwarding requests from information seekers to various departments. Legislature has merely facilitated the information seekers by empowering PIO who inadvertently receives request pertaining to another PIO to forward it to the concerned PIO".

6. In view of above, it is ascertained that the complaint is devoid of merit and as such the instant Complaint Case is hereby **disposed of and closed.** Announced in the Court. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 30.03.2022

Sd/-

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