



**Smt Satwinder Kaur (9876908602)**

Appellant

w/o Sh. Vishal Chopra,  
H.No.546544, Street No.2,  
Shivpuri, Near Radhi Sham Mandir,  
Ludhiana

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o SHO, Police Station Daresi  
(Sunder Nagar), Ludhiana

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1106 of 2021**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** (i) Appellant: Smt Satwinder Kaur.  
(ii) Respondent: Sh. Om Parkash (ASI) (9876527989) through telephone call.

**Order**

1. The above mentioned case was earlier heard on 06.10.2021 vide which respondent; Sh. Om Parkash stated that the department had already supplied the information to the appellant on 05.10.2021. The Commission advised the appellant to point out deficiency, if any, on its receipt. The case was adjourned for 30.3.2021.
2. In today's hearing, respondent, ASI Om Parkash states that no deficiency has been pointed out by the appellant till date in the supplied information. Nothing is left to be supplied.
3. Appellant, Ms. Satwinder Kaur states that requisite information is still pending as per RTI application and expresses her dissatisfaction with the supplied reply.
4. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, it is observed that appellant demanded information on Complaint No. 367 filed by her dated 01.07.2020. Regarding this complaint, information on the following two points are demanded:
  - ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਮਿਤੀ :-01.07.2020 ਤੇ ਕੀਤੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ
  - ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਮਿਤੀ:-01.07.2020 ਦਰਜ ਕੀਤੀ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ.

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5. Respondent PIO is directed either to supply the point-wise complete information to the appellant or file an affidavit as per queries raised by the appellant in her RTI application through registered post with a copy to the Commission, within seven days after receipt of this order.
6. Appellant is advised to point out specifically deficiency, in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, within seven days after receipt of the information.
7. Both the parties are directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing positively to clear the facts of this case, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
8. Matter is adjourned for further hearing on **24.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 30.03.2022**

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**State Information Commissioner**  
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**Sh. Ravinder Kataria (8544841830)**

# 64, New Sant Fateh Singh Nagar,  
Dugri Road, Ludhiana

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o SDM, Sardulgarh

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o SDM, Sardulgarh

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1944 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

(i) Appellant: Sh. Ravinder Kataria.

(ii) Respondent: Sh. Amarjit Singh, (Superintendent-cum-PIO) (7986325075)

Order

1. The above mentioned case was earlier heard on 06.10.2021 vide which respondent; Sh. Amarjit Singh intimated the Commission that the information has already been sent to the appellant on that day i.e. 6.10.2021. The appellant was advised to point out deficiency, if any, on its receipt. The case was adjourned for 30.3.2022.
2. In today's hearing, respondent, Sh. Amarjit Singh states that 31 pages have already been supplied on 6.10.2021 to the appellant.
3. On hearing this, the appellant pointed out deficiency in the supplied information. He expresses his dissatisfaction for supplied information with regard to point no. 1 (form no. 25) and point no. 2.
4. After hearing both the parties, the Commission gives directions to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information in connection with point no. 1 and 2 to the appellant within week's time from today under intimation to the Commission because due to not supplying complete information, there is a sheer wastage of time and resources of the Commission as well of the public.
5. To come up on **26.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 30.03.2022**

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Appellant

**Sh. Harmit Singh Reporter(9878691567)**  
c/o Baba Bakala Finance Company,  
Phul Road, Rampura Phul,  
Bathinda

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,  
Bathinda

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,  
Bathinda

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1997 of 2021**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** (i) Appellant: Sh. Harmit Singh  
(ii) Respondent: Sh. Mukesh (PIO)

Order

1. The above mentioned case was earlier heard on 06.10.2021 vide which respondent were directed to supply the complete information to the appellant within 20 days through registered post after receipt of order dated 06.10.2021. The case was adjourned for 30.3.2022.
2. In today's hearing appellant pleads before that complete information has not been received till date.
3. The respondent states that the information with regard to point No.1 has already been supplied to the appellant and the other pointed information relates to their Head Office.
4. The appellant states supply the information with regard to permits issued by the department.
5. On hearing both the parties and examining the case file, it is observed that information from year 2007 to 2020 is demanded by the appellant, which is voluminous. Accordingly respondent PIO is directed to supply the number of permits issued in the years 2007 to 2020 under intimation to the Commission.
6. Both the parties are also advised to represent this case in person or through their representative(s) on the next date of hearing positively, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis.
7. To come up on **27.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 30.3.2022**

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Bathinda

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,  
Ferozepur

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1994 of 2021**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

- (i) Appellant: Sh. Harmit Singh  
(ii) Respondent: Absent.

Order

1. The above mentioned case was earlier heard on 06.10.2021 vide which respondent PIO denied to supply the requisite information on the plea order passed by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court. Accordingly, respondent PIO was directed to supply that particular judgment to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. Appellant was advised to file a reply, once he received the said judgment of Hon'ble High Court. The case was adjourned for 30.3.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that as per last directions of the Commission he has not received any judgment.
3. Respondent PIO is absent in-spite of knowing about the date of hearing. Version of the respondent PIO at previous hearing held on 06.10.2021 is overruled and respondent PIO is directed to supply point-wise reply/information to the appellant free of cost, within fifteen days after receipt of this order. It is also observed that no communication is received from the respondent PIO as per the case file, after the hearing on 06.10.2021. He is also directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing to represent this case.
4. Matter is fixed for further hearing on **26.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 30.3.2022**

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**Sh. Ravinder Kataria (8544841830/9463133590)**

# 64, New Sant Fateh Singh Nagar,  
Dugri Road, Ludhiana 141002.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2584 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

(i) Appellant: Sh. Ravinder Kataria.

(ii) Respondent: Sh. Mukesh (PIO).

Order

1. The above mentioned case was earlier heard on 06.10.2021 vide which respondent PIO was directed to supply the information per RTI application to the appellant within 7 days. The case was adjourned for 30.3.2022.
2. In today's hearing, appellant intimates the Commission that information is still to be supplied even after the directions of the Commission on the previous hearing held on 06.10.2021.
3. Respondent, Sh. Mukesh states that the information sought by the appellant is 3rd party information as details of the buyer and seller is mentioned in the documents submitted relates with RTI application. The respondent while giving reference of the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India, where 3<sup>rd</sup> party information is exempted.
4. On hearing both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to bring the original record relate with RTI application on 12.04.2022 to present before the undersigned Bench.
5. Appellant could join meeting through CISCO Webex.
6. The matter is fixed for further hearing on **12.04.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 30.03.2022**

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**Sh. Ravinder Kataria (8544841830/9463133590)**

# 64, New Sant Fateh Singh Nagar,  
Dugri Road, Ludhiana 141002.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o SDM, Mansa

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o SDM, Mansa

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 2587 of 2021**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

(i) Appellant: Sh. Ravinder Kataria.

(ii) Respondent: Sh. Gurkirat Singh (Clerk)

**ORDER**

1. The above mentioned case was earlier heard on 18.11.2021 vide which respondent PIO was directed to supply the information with regard to the point No.1&2, which is not exempted within 15 days with an advice to the appellant to point out deficiency, if any, within 7 days from the receipt of the information. The case was adjourned for 30.3.2022.
2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present. Respondent states that information with regard to the point no.1 has been provided through registered post on 08.03.2022 and information with regard to point No.2 is yet to be given.
3. Appellant confirms the received information regarding point no. 1.
4. On hearing both the parties, respondent PIO is directed to supply the pending information within weeks' time under intimation to the Commission.
5. Both the parties are also advised to represent this case in person or through their representative(s) on the next date of hearing positively, failing to which case will be decided on merit basis.
6. To come up on **04.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** through **CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 30.3.2022**

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**Sh. Sahil Arora (9814420462)**

Guru Nanak Nagar,  
A-593, Partap Nagar, G.T. Road,  
Amritsar 143001.

Appellant

Versus

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer (By Name)**

O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Amritsar

**(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority (By name)**

O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Amritsar

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 1447 of 2021**  
**Heard through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** (i) Sh. Sahil Arora, the appellant.  
(ii) Respondent: Absent.

**ORDER**

1. This case was last heard on 17.03.2022 vide which a show cause notice was issued to the concerned PIO and further the PIO was directed to supply the information to the Appellant by the next date of hearing. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 30.03.2022.
2. After going through the case file, it has been observed that on the hearing dated 17.03.2022 a show cause notice was issued to the concerned department and now in today's hearing nobody appeared from the Department to represent this case.

This shows the negligence of the Department as the department has not responded to the orders of the Commission (10.08.2021, 17.11.2021 and 17.03.2022), neither to the orders of the Commission and nor responded even to the show cause notice.

3. On first hearing i.e **10.08.2021**, respondent PIO, Sh. Gurpreet Singh stated that record is untraceable and a search is going in this regard. Respondent PIO was directed to supply the complete information on the appellant's visit to the respondent's office on 20.08.2021. He was also directed to supply an affidavit, in case requisite information is not available.

On hearing **17.11.2021**, respondent PIO was absent and one more opportunity was awarded to him to comply with the previous orders of the Commission dated 10.08.2021 and matter was adjourned for further hearing on 17.03.2022 i.e. today.

On hearing **17.03.2022**, a show cause notice was issued to the concerned PIO and further the PIO was directed to supply the information to the Appellant by the next date of hearing. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 30.03.2022.



4. In today's hearing, appellant, Sh. Sahil Arora states that no information has been supplied till date even after the orders of the Commission.
5. On the other hand, none is present from the Department.
6. After looking at the conduct of the concerned respondent PIO and holding him guilty of violation under Section 20 (1) as per provisions of the RTI Act and for making delay in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker, a **penalty of Rs. 5,000/-** (Rupees Five Thousand Only) is imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer office of The Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar.

A copy of this order be sent to the concerned PIO through registered post.

The amount of penalty will be deposited in the treasury of Punjab Government under the head.....

Major Head .. 0070 -Other Administrative Services

Sub-Major Head .. 60 - Other Services

Minor Head .. 800 - Other Receipts

Sub-Head .. 86 - Fee under the Right to Information Act, 2005

Detailed Head .. 0070 Other Administrative Services

60 Other Services- 800- Other Receipts

86- Fees under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

And a copy of challan receipt be sent to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

7. Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representatives is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. The respondent PIO has neither supplied the requisite information to the information seeker nor sent any reply to the Appellant of his RTI request even after the directions were given by the Commission.
8. I am of the view that due to evasive attitude of the respondent PIO concerned, the appellant has suffered a lot of detriments for not getting the requisite information, I am of the view that compensation be awarded to the appellant, Sh. Sahil Arora.
9. Hence, I award a **compensation of Rs. 5,000/-** (Five Thousand Only) to the appellant. The compensation amount must be paid by the respondent PIO concerned through cheque or demand draft in favor of Sahil Arora from the account of Public Authority and not from the individual's account.

Respondent PIO is directed to produce a copy of the cheque or demand draft on the next date of hearing.

10. Final opportunity is given to the Respondent/ PIO concerned either to supply the certified copies of the requisite information through registered post or e-mail to the Appellant or file a point wise reply, in an affidavit, to each and every query, raised by the Appellant through his RTI request as per official record by the next date of hearing with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing, failing which disciplinary action would be recommended against the concerned PIO for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Applicant.
11. The First Appellate Authority, Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar to look into this matter and make sure that the orders of the Commission should be complied by the PIO concerned well in time and the PIO should appear on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software. A copy of this order be sent to the PIO as well as FAA through registered post.

The Appellant is directed to confirm whether he has received the information/reply or not. Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

12. This case is adjourned to **26.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application** and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing. Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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**Dated: 30.3.2022**

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**Smt. Sunehri Devi, (9988001180)**

w/o late Sh. Chhajju Ram,  
R/o Near Balmiki Mandir,  
Samana 147101.

Appellant

Versus

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer (By Name)**  
O/o BDPO, Patran

**(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority**  
O/o DDPO, Patiala

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 614 of 2021**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:** (i) Sh. Rokcy Tayal on behalf of the appellant  
(ii) For the respondent: Absent

**Order:**

1. This case was last heard on 17.03.2022 vide which a show cause notice was issued to the concerned PIO with a direction to supply the information to the Appellant by the next date of hearing. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 30.03.2022.
2. After going through the case file, it has been observed that on the hearing dated 17.03.2022 a show cause notice was issued to the concerned department and now in today's hearing nobody appeared from the Department to represent this case.

This shows the negligence of the Department as the department has not responded to the orders of the Commission (06.04.2021, 05.05.2021, 13.07.2021 and 17.03.2022), neither to the notice of the Commission which was issued to the concerned PIO for first hearing and nor responded even to the show cause notice.

3. On first hearing i.e 06.04.2021, respondent PIO was absent even after intimation of the hearing date to Sh. Paramjit Singh, BDPO on his mobile number:6280769005.

On hearing 05.05.2021, respondent PIO was again absent and a Show Cause notice was issued to Sh. Paramjit Singh, BDPO. Copy of this order was also sent to the DDPO, Sh. Surinder Singh Dhillon by name through registered post.

On hearing 13.07.2021, respondent PIO was absent third time. Copy of this order was also sent to the DDPO, Sh. Surinder Singh Dhillon by name through registered post.

On hearing 08.09.2021, respondent, Sh. Amrik Singh presented case and was directed to remove the deficiency, if any pointed out by the appellant within ten days.

**Appeal Case No.: 614 of 2021**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

On hearing 17.11.2021, representative of the appellant, Sh. Rocky Tayal stated that there are discrepancies still to be removed and supplied information is not attested by the competent authority. Inspection of the official record was fixed on 18.11.2021 and matter was adjourned for further hearing on 17.03.2022.

On hearing 17.03.2022, respondent PIO was absent and again show cause notice was issued to the respondent PIO, Sh. BDPO, patran and matter was adjourned for further hearing on 30.03.2022.

4. In today's hearing, the representative of the appellant, Sh. Rocky Tayal states that he had visited the respondent's office on 18.11.2021 as per the previous orders of the Commission but status is same as it was on the previous hearing.
5. On the other hand, none is present from the Department. Calls were made to the respondents, Sh. Dhanwant Singh (PS) and Sh. Kashmiri Singh (Patwari) for today's hearing but respondent PIO did not pay heed to it.
6. After looking at the conduct of the concerned respondent PIO and holding him guilty of violation under Section 20 (1) as per provisions of the RTI Act and for making delay in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker, a **penalty of Rs. 5,000/-** (Rupees Five Thousand Only) is imposed upon the concerned Public Information Officer office of The BDPO, Patran, District Patiala.

A copy of this order be sent to the concerned PIO through registered post.

The amount of penalty will be deposited in the treasury of Punjab Government under the head.....

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And a copy of challan receipt be sent to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

7. Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representatives is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. The respondent PIO has neither supplied the requisite information to the information seeker nor sent any reply to the Appellant of his RTI request even after the directions were given by the Commission.

**Appeal Case No.: 614 of 2021**  
**Through CISCO WEBEX**

8. I am of the view that due to evasive attitude of the respondent PIO concerned, the appellant has suffered a lot of detriments for not getting the requisite information, I am of the view that compensation be awarded to the appellant, Smt. Sunheri Devi
9. Hence, I award a **compensation of Rs. 5,000/-** (Five Thousand Only) to the appellant. The compensation amount must be paid by the respondent PIO concerned through cheque or demand draft in favor of Sunheri Devi from the account of Public Authority and not from the individual's account.

Respondent PIO is directed to produce a copy of the cheque or demand draft on the next date of hearing.

10. Final opportunity is given to the Respondent/ PIO concerned either to supply the certified copies of the requisite information through registered post or e-mail to the Appellant or file a point wise reply, in an affidavit, to each and every query, raised by the Appellant through his RTI request as per official record by the next date of hearing with a copy to the Commission by the next date of hearing, failing which disciplinary action would be recommended against the concerned PIO for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Applicant.
11. The DDPO, Patiala to look into this matter and make sure that the orders of the Commission should be complied by the PIO concerned well in time and the PIO should appear on the next date of hearing which is going to be heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software. A copy of this order be sent to the PIO as well as FAA through registered post.

The Appellant is directed to confirm whether he has received the information/reply or not. Also, the Appellant is directed to go through the supplied information, once he receives the same from the Respondent/PIO and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission.

12. This case is adjourned to **26.05.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application** and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing. Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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**Dated: 30.03.2022**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**