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Sh. Pishora Singh,
S/o Sh Anup Singh,
Village Tanana, Block Chowgawan,
Tehsil Ajnala, Distt Amritsar

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o District Election Commissioner,
Amritsar

Respondent

2. Public Information Officer

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner

(Development), Amritsar

CC-90 of 2019

Present: (i) Sh. S.M.Bhanot on behalf of the complainant

(ii) Sh. Malkit Singh, Data Entry Operatoro/o RTA, Amritsar and Sh.

Ravinder, APIO

ORDER

Regd. Post

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.04.2019 vide which the respondent was directed to provide complete information to the Complainant within seven days from the receipt of this order. They were also directed to send written reply on oath paper regarding point no. 13 on or before the next date of hearing.

- 2. Sh. S.M.Bhanot, representative of the complainant states that no information has been given to him so far.
- 3. Respondent states that they have brought the information today in the Commission, which is handed over to Sh. S.M.Bhanot.
- 4. Sh. S.M.Bhanot has sought some time to go through the same. Some time is given to the representative of the appellant and the appeal is adjourned on **12.06.2019** at **11.00 AM.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

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.....Appellant

Registered post

Sh. Sucha Singh, S/o Shri Rajinder Singh VPO Jasraur , Blcok Chogawan, Tehsil Ajnala

Distt. Amritsar

Vs

Registered post: Public Information Officer,

o/o Deputy Registrar Cooperative Societies

Amritsar

First Appellate Authority o/o Deputy Registrar Cooperative Societies Amritsar

.....Respondent

AC No. 4086 of 2018 alongwith AC No. 4084 of 2018

Present:

- (i) Sh. S.M.Bhanot on behalf of the appellant
- (ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 25.03.2019.

- 2. The appellant filed two appeals with the Commission seeking information from PIO,o/o Deputy Registrar Cooperative Societies, Amritsar as in all both the appeals, the appellant and the PIO is the same, so both these has been clubbed together.
- 3. Sh. S.M.Bhanot is appearing on behalf of the appellant
- 4. Respondent is absent today.
- 5. The perusal of the file shows that the respondent is absent for fourth consecutive hearing. Even the respondent has not bothered to send their reply in response to the notice issued. After examining the case file, it is observed that the appellant had filed RTI applications in the month of March 2018 and April 2018, but after lapse of more than one year, no information has been given to the appellant, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the commission. This is very serious matter.

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AC No. 4086 of 2018 alongwith AC No. 4084 of 2018

- 6. This has resulted in much avoidable inconvenience and hardship to the Appellant. He is, therefore, entitled to be compensated under Section 19(8)(b) of RTI Act 2005 for the loss and detriment suffered by him. In the circumstances, I am of the view that ends of justice would be met if a sum of Rs.2500/- (Rupees Twenty Five hundred Only) is awarded to the Appellant as compensation. I order accordingly.
- 7. This amount shall be payable by the Respondent from the State exchequer within fifteen days from the receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission.
- 8. To come up on **18.07.2019 at 11.00 AM**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

(Preety Chawla)
State Information Commissioner

Through registered post

CC: Registrar Cooperative Societies , Sector 17 , 17 Bays Building, Chandigarh for necessary action against Deputy Registrar, cooperative Societies, Amritsar

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Smt. Palwinder Kaur, W/o Sh Sucha Singh, Village & P.O- Jasraur, Block Chowgawan, Tehsil:Ajnala, Distt-Amritsar

.....Complainant

Public Information Officer,

O/o District Election Commissioner,

Amritsar

Registered post:. Public Information Officer,

O/o Secretary,

RTA-cum-Block Incharge Officer, Block- Chugawan, Amritsar

.....Respondent

CC-98 of 2019

۷s

Present: (i) Sh S.M Bhanot, Representative for the Complainant.

(ii) None for the Respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.04.2019 vide which the respondent had promised that the complete information will be sent to the complainant.

- 2. No one has appeared on behalf of Respondents.
- 3. Sh S.M Bhanot-representative for the complainant states that they have not received the complete information so far.
- 4. Respondent is absent today.
- 5. The perusal of the file shows that this is the life and liberty case under Section 7(1) of the RTI Act, in which it is clear that

"provided that where the information sought for concerns the life and liberty of a person, the same shall be provided within forty-eight hours of the receipt of the request".

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CC-98 of 2019

But the respondent has not bothered to provide the information to the complainant. Even he has not informed the Commission about his absence, which shows that they have no regard for the orders issued by the Commission.

6. In view of the above, *PIO*, *o/o District Election* Commissioner, Amritsar and PIO,o/o Secretary, RTA-cum-Block Incharge Officer, Block- Chugawan, Amritsar are directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon them for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

In addition to his submission, the PIOs are also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. They may note that in case they does not file their submission and does not avail themselves of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that they have nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against them ex-parte.

7. To come up on **12.06.2019 at 11.00 AM.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties through registered post.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

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Sh. Manjit Singh, S/o Shri Sohan Singh House No. 358/3, Dhandholian Road, Patiala

Complainant

۷s

Public Information Officer, o/o General Manager, Verka Milk Plant Gurdaspur

.....Respondent

CC No. 85 of 2019

Present:

- (i) None for the Appellant.
- (ii) For the respondent: Sh. Navtej Singh, Sh. Habans Sharma, Advoate

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.04.2019.

- 2. The appellant is absent today.
- 3. Respondent files his reply mentioning therein that the Verka Milk Plant, Gurdaspur is not a 'public authority'.
- 4. Since the complainant is not present in the court, one more chance is given to him to appear in person on the next date of hearing and respondent-PIO is also directed to prove that the Verka Milk Plant is not public authority and case is adjourned on 13.08.2019 at 11.00 AM. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

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Sh. Manjit Singh, S/o Shri Sohan Singh House No. 358/3, Dhandholian Road, Patiala

Complainant

۷s

Public Information Officer, o/o General Manager, Verka Milk Plant Bathinda

.....Respondent

CC No. 101 of 2019

Present:

- (i) None for the Appellant.
- (ii) For the respondent: Sh. Navtej Singh, Sh. Habans Sharma, Advoate

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.04.2019.

- 2. The complainant is absent today.
- 3. Respondent files his reply mentioning therein that the Verka Milk Plant, Gurdaspur is not a 'public authority'.
- 4. Since the complainant is not present in the court, one more chance is given to him to appear in person on the next date of hearing and respondent-PIO is also directed to prove that the Verka Milk Plant is not public authority and case is adjourned on 13.08.2019 at 11.00 AM. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

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Sh.Prem Kumar Rattan, House No. 78/8,Park Road, New Mandi, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur

.... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Nagar council, Bhadaur,
Distt. Barnala
First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Director Local Government,
Patiala

..Respondent

AC No. 2571 of 2018

Present:

- (i) None for the Appellant.
- (ii) For the respondent: Sh. Simran Dhindsa, EO

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.03.2019.

- 2. The Appellant is not present today. However, an e-mail has been received from the Appellant stating that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. A copy of the same is taken on record.
- 3. The Respondent states that due to election duties the staff of their Office was busy and hence, complete information could not be provided. He further states that some time be granted to provide the information.
- 4. The perusal of the file shows that, on the previous date of hearing also the Respondent had sought some time but the information has still not been provided. However, it may be made clear that this is the last opportunity granted to the Respondent to provide complete information to the Appellant, failing which appropriate orders against the Respondent, shall be passed. To come up for further proceedings on 10.07.2019 at 11:00AM. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

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Sh.Prem Kumar Rattan, House No. 78/8,Park Road, New Mandi, Dhuri, Distt Sangrur

.... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Nagar council, Bhadaur,
Distt. Barnala
First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Director Local Government,
Patiala

..Respondent

AC No. 2570 of 2018

Present:

- (i) None for the Appellant.
- (ii) For the respondent: Sh. Simran Dhindsa, EO

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.03.2019.

- 2. The Appellant is not present today. However, an e-mail has been received from the Appellant stating that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. A copy of the same is taken on record.
- 3. The Respondent states that due to election duties the staff of the Office of the respondent was busy and hence, the complete information could not be provided. He further states that some time be granted to provide the information.
- 4. The perusal of the file shows that, on the previous date of hearing also the Respondent had sought some time but the information has still not been provided. However, it may be made clear that this is the last opportunity granted to the Respondent to provide complete information to the Appellant, failing which appropriate orders against the Respondent, shall be passed. To come up for further proceedings on 10.07.2019 at 11:00AM. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

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Sh. Jasbir Singh (M-9815397246) S/o Sh Harbans Singh, Village Jalal Khera, PO Sular, Distt Patiala

.....Appellant

۷s

Public Information Officer, o/o DFSO,Patiala First Appellate Authority o/o DFSO,Patiala

.....Respondent

AC No. 4254 of 2018

Present: (iNone for the appellant

(ii) For the respondent:Sh Varinder Singh, Inspector

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 25.03.2019

- 2. The Appellant is not present today. However, an e-mail has been received from the Appellant stating that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. He further states that he has not received the information so far. A copy of the same is taken on record.
- 3. The Respondent states that the information has already been provided to the Appellant. He also shows a copy of the receiving given by the Appellant in lieu of receiving the information. The Respondent has also given in writing that the complete information has been provided to the Appellant and that there is nothing pending in this regard.
- 4. The perusal of the file shows that the complete information has been provided to the Appellant . In view of the foregoing, no further cause of action is left. Therefore, 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. Jasbir Singh (M-9815397246) S/o Sh Harbans Singh, Village Jalal Khera, PO Sular, Distt Patiala

.....Appellant

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Public Information Officer, o/o DFSO,Patiala First Appellate Authority o/o DFSO,Patiala

.....Respondent

AC No. 4252 of 2018

Present: (iNone for the appellant

(ii) For the respondent: Sh Varinder Singh, Inspector

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 25.03.2019

- 2. The Appellant is not present today. However, an e-mail has been received from the Appellant stating that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. He further states that he has not received the information so far. A copy of the same is taken on record.
- 3. The Respondent states that the information has already been provided to the Appellant. He also shows a copy of the receiving given by the Appellant in lieu of receiving the information. The Respondent has also given in writing that the complete information has been provided to the Appellant and that there is nothing pending in this regard.
- 4. The perusal of the file shows that the complete information has been provided to the Appellant . In view of the foregoing, no further cause of action is left. Therefore, the Appeal case filed by the Appellant is **disposed off and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Jasbir Singh (M-9815397246) S/o Sh Harbans Singh, Village Jalal Khera, PO Sular, Distt Patiala

.....Appellant

۷s

Public Information Officer, o/o DFSO,Patiala First Appellate Authority o/o DFSO,Patiala

.....Respondent

AC No. 4253 of 2018

Present: (iNone for the appellant

(ii) For the respondent:Sh Varinder Singh, Inspector

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 25.03.2019

- 2. The Appellant is not present today. However, an e-mail has been received from the Appellant stating that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. He further states that he has not received the information so far. A copy of the same is taken on record.
- 3. The Respondent states that the information has already been provided to the Appellant. He also shows a copy of the receiving given by the Appellant in lieu of receiving the information. The Respondent has also given in writing that the complete information has been provided to the Appellant and that there is nothing pending in this regard.
- 4. The perusal of the file shows that the complete information has been provided to the Appellant . In view of the foregoing, no further cause of action is left. Therefore, the Appeal case filed by the Appellant is **disposed off and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Ashok Kumar, S/o Shri Ram Prasad	
Radha Raman Mill,	
Killi Chucharchak Road, Ajitwal, Distt.Moga	
	Appellant
Vs	
Public Information Officer, o/o Director Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab Anaj Mandi, Sector 39, Chandigarh	
First Appellate Authority o/o Director Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab Anaj Mandi, Sector 39, Chandigarh	Despendent
	Respondent

AC No. 442 of 2019

Present: (i) Sh S.P Singh, counsel for the Appellant and Sh Harvinder Singh Dhillon

(ii) For the Respondent: Sh Dev Rattan Singh, Inspector, Smt Joginder Kaur,

Supdt Grade-I, Smt Manpreet Kaur, Inspector

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.04.2019.

- 2. The counsel for the Appellant states that, as directed in the previous hearing, they have point out the deficiencies in the information provided to the Respondent.
- 3. The Respondent states that they have received the deficiencies from the Appellant. Further the Respondent assures the Court that the complete information, after removing the deficiencies, will be provided to the Appellant within one week. The Counsel for the Appellant has expressed his satisfaction over the same.

On the assurance of the Respondent to provide the information, the present 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. Ashok Kumar, S/o Shri Ram Prasad Radha Raman Mill, Killi Chucharchak Road, Ajitwal, Distt.Moga

.....Appellant

Registered post:

Public Information Officer,

o/o District Manager, PUNSUP, Moga

First Appellate Authority o/o District Manager, PUNSUP, Moga

.....Respondent

AC No. 443 of 2019

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Present:

(i) Sh S.P Singh, counsel for the Appellant and Sh Harvinder Singh Dhillon

(ii) For the Respondent: Sh Dev Rattan Singh, Inspector, Smt Joginder Kaur,

Supdt Grade-I, Smt Manpreet Kaur, Inspector

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.04.2019.

- 2. The counsel for the Appellant states that, as directed in the previous hearing, they have point out the deficiencies in the information provided to the Respondent.
- 3. The Respondent states that they have received the deficiencies from the Appellant. Further the Respondent assures the Court that the complete information, after removing the deficiencies, will be provided to the Appellant within one week. The Counsel for the Appellant has expressed his satisfaction over the same.

On the assurance of the Respondent to provide the information, the present 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. Ashok Kumar, S/o Shri Ram Prasad Radha Raman Mill, Killi Chucharchak Road, Ajitwal, Distt.Moga

.....Appellant

۷s

Public Information Officer,

o/o District Controller, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab District Moga

First Appellate Authority

o/o District Controller, Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab District Moga

.....Respondent

AC No. 445 of 2019
Alongwith
AC No. 444 of 2019

Present:

- (i) Sh S.P Singh, counsel for the Appellant and Sh Harvinder Singh Dhillon
- (ii) For the Respondent: Sh Dev Rattan Singh, Inspector, Smt Joginder Kaur,

Supdt Grade-I, Smt Manpreet Kaur, Inspector

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 08.04.2019.

- 2. The counsel for the Appellant states that, as directed in the previous hearing, they have point out the deficiencies in the information provided to the Respondent.
- 3. The Respondent states that they have received the deficiencies from the Appellant. Further the Respondent assures the Court that the complete information, after removing the deficiencies, will be provided to the Appellant within one week. The Counsel for the Appellant has expressed his satisfaction over the same.

On the assurance of the Respondent, the present case filed by the Appellant is **disposed off and closed**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

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Sh. Gurdev Singh, S/o Jarnail Singh R/o Ward No. 12, Makhu, Tehsil Zira Distt.Ferozepur

.....Complainant

Public Information Officer,

o/o ADC(D), Ferozepur

.....Respondent

CC No. 80 of 2019

۷s

Present: (i) Sh. Gurdev Singh the complainant

(ii) None is present on behalf of the respondent

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.04.2019

- 2. The complainant states that no information has been given to him so far.
- 3. Respondent is again absent today.
- 4. The respondent is absent today. He was not even present on the previous two hearings also, which shows that the respondent has no regard for the orders issued by the Commission.
- 5. In view of the above, **PIO O/o ADC(D)**, **Ferozepur**, to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. 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

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CC No. 80 of 2019

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.

6. To come up on **18.07.2019 at 11.00 AM.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

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Advocate Harsimran Singh Sachdeva S/o shri Jatinder Bir Singh, R/o 14, Windsor Park, Gulab Devi Hospital Road Jalandhar

.....Appellant

۷s

Public Information Officer,

o/o District Controller Food Civil supplies and consumer Affairs Jalandhar-144001

First Appellate Authority-cum

Director Food Civil supplies and consumer Affairs Department, Punjab Sector 39C, Chandigarh

...Respondent

AC No. 393 of 2019

Present: (i)Sh Rachit Kaushal, Advocate on behalf of the Appellant.

(ii) For the Respondent: Sh Ashok Kumar, DFSO and Sh Rajbir

Singh, Inspector

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 03.04.2019.

- 2. Sh Rachit Kaushal, Advocate is appearing on behalf of the Appellant.
- 3. The Respondent states that the complete information has already been sent to the Appellant.
- 3. The Representative for the Appellant states that they have received the information. He further states that some time is required to peruse the information and point out deficiencies, if any.
- 4. Hence, some time is granted to the Appellant to peruse the information. To come up on **03.07.2019 at 11:00 AM**. Copy of the orders be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019

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Er. Satnam Singh,		
#B-10, Industrial Area,		
Nawanshaher		Appellant
	Vs	
Public Information Officer,		
O/o Milkfed,		
SCO 153-55, Sector-34,		
Chandigarh		
First Appellate Authority -cum		
O/o The Punjab State Co-operative Milk		
Procedure Federation Ltd.,		
SCO : 153-155 Sector 34A Chandigarh		Respondent

AC.No. 3778 of 2018

Present: (i) Er Satnam Singh, Appellant.

(ii) For the Respondent: Sh. Rajbir Singh, Deputy Manager, Sh Jasbir Singh,

Manager (HR), Sh. Vikram Kumar, Assistant

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.04.2019.

- 2. The appellant states that no information has been given to him so far.
- 3. Respondent files his reply which is as under:
 - "that the orders of the Hon'be Commission holding the Cooperative Societies, namely, Doaba Cooperative Milk Producers Union Ltd., Verka Milk Plant, Jalandhar and the District Cooperative Milk Producers Union Ltd., Milk Plant Mohali do not fall under the definition of Public Authority. Both the Unions are affiliated to the Punjab State Cooperative Milk Producers Federation Ltd. Chandigarh".
- 4. Respondent-PIO is directed to prove that the Union is not 'public authority' and he is also directed to bring complete information in the Commission on the next date of hearing. The case is adjourned on **13.08.2019 at 11.00 AM.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

 Sd/-

Chandigarh Dated: 30.05.2019