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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



(Regd. Post) **Sh. Sukhdial Singh Bhullar (98140-05121),**  
**S/o Sh. Pala Singh,**  
Village Nihalke, PO Makhu, District Ferozepur (142044) ...Complainant  
V/s.  
(Regd. Post) **Public Information Officer,**  
**O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner (Development),**  
Ferozepur. ... Respondents

**Complaint Case No. 620 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Complainant, Sh. Sukhdial Singh Bhullar is present in the Court.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier heard on 21.12.2021 before the Hon'ble SIC, Sh. Avtar Singh Kaler. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab vide office order dated 21.01.2022 has re-allocated the above mentioned case to the undersigned bench. Accordingly, this case was fixed for today's hearing i.e. 31.05.2022.**

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Sukhdial Singh states that no information has been supplied to him and further submits a letter dated 31.05.2022 to the Commission during the proceedings of the Court, which is taken on record.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

After going through the case file, I am of the view that in the order dated 27.10.2021 none is present from the department and no information was supplied to the Complainant due to which a show cause notice was issued to the concerned PIO O/o ADC (D), Ferozepur and on the hearing dated 16.11.2021 none is present from the Department. Furthermore on the hearing dated 07.12.2021, the BDPO, Makhu, Smt. Lakwinder Kaur was present and she further mentions about a letter dated 252 dated 03.12.2021 vide which the information has been sent to the Complainant to which the Complainant was not satisfied. Later on the hearing dated 21.12.2021, the BDPO Makhu, Sh. Teerath Singh was present but due to non furnishing of information to the Complainant, a compensation of Rs. 5000/- was awarded in favour of the Complainant. Sh. Sukhdial Singh and an opportunity was given to the concerned PIO for furnishing the information to the complainant well in time and to reply the show cause notice failing which a penalty amount of Rs. 25000/- would be imposed on the concerned PIO .

During the hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Sukhdial Singh also states that he doesnot have any objection if the compensation amount of Rs. 5000/- would be withdrawn as he doesnot requires the compensation amount (Rs. 5000/-) because information is important to him and further requests the Court for the information.

In view of above, the **compensation amount of Rs. 5000/-** which was awarded to the Complainant, Sh. Sukhdial Singh vide order dated 21.12.2021 be **withdrawn.**

Accordingly, for making delay in supplying the requisite information to the information-seeker under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act, **a penalty of Rs. 25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only)** is imposed upon the concerned **Public Information Officer office of The Additional Deputy Commissioner, (Development), Ferozepur.**

**A copy of this order be sent to PIO concerned 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 submitted to the Commission on the next date of hearing.**

**Final opportunity is given to the PIO concerned to supply complete information to the Complainant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing and the PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission relating to this case on the next date and if the PIO and other concerned officials would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against the PIO on the next date of hearing.**

The Complainant, Sh. Sukhdial Singh is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing positively.

**A copy of this order along with RTI application be sent to the office of Director Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab, Sector 62, SAS Nagar (Mohali) to look into this matter and make sure that the concerned PIO should comply the above said order by supplying the information to the Complainant and penalty should be deducted from the salary of the concerned PIO.**

This case is adjourned to 13.07.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 13.07.2022 in office of Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 31.05.2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
Director Rural Development and Panchayats, Punjab,  
Sector 62, SAS Nagar (Mohali).

(Encl. RTI Application)

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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



Sh. Karamjit Singh, S/o Sh. Bant Singh,  
R/o Village Mandiala Kalan, Tehsil Khanna, District Ludhiana.  
M: 9781980522

...Complainant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Block Khanna, District Ludhiana.

... Respondents

**Complaint Case No. 17 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Complainant, Sh. Karamjit Singh is present.  
Sh. Amandeep Singh, Panchayat Secretary is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier heard on 22.12.2021 before the Hon'ble SIC, Sh. Avtar Singh Kaler. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab vide office order dated 21.01.2022 has re-allocated the above mentioned case to the undersigned bench. Accordingly, this case was fixed for today's hearing i.e. 31.05.2022.**

In today's hearing, the Complainant, Sh. Karamjit Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, the Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Amandeep Singh states that the information has not been sent to him by the concerned BDPO.

**On further discussion it has been found that the compensation amount of Rs. 3000/- (i.e. awarded by Hon'ble SIC, Sh Avtar Singh Kaler vide previous order dated 13.10.2021) has been collected by the Complainant, Sh. Karamjit Singh.**

After going through the case and discussion with the parties, I am of the view that the concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Complainant as per RTI by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason/ status up to date, why the information could not be supplied to the Complainant till date.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Complainant, by the next date of hearing.

Also, the Complainant, Sh. Karamjit Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that she has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 01.12.2022 at 11 a.m. for hearing.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 31.05.2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



**Sh. Surjan Singh, S/o Sh. Harman Singh,**

R/o Village Jungath,

PO Bhabber, Tehsil & Distt. Pathankot.

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Dharkalan, District Pathankot.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer,

Pathankot.

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 5317 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Surjan Singh is absent.

None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier fixed for 08.02.2022 before the Hon'ble State Information Commissioner, Punjab. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab vide office order dated 21.01.2022 has re-allocated the above mentioned case to the undersigned bench. Accordingly, this case was fixed for today's hearing i.e. 31.05.2022.**

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Surjan Singh is absent.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that a copy of cover letter number SPL-4 dated 28.01.2022 has been received in the Commission which shows that the information has been sent to the Appellant, which is taken on record.

In view of above, the Appellant, Sh. Surjan Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

Also, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant again (i.e. only if deficiencies would be pointed out by the Appellant to their department) through registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Commission can take further action against him.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

**This case is adjourned to 23.11.2022 at 11 a.m. for hearing.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 31.05.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



Sh. Punnet Singh, S/o Sh. Anil Pathania,  
R/o Village Lahri, 183,  
PO Rattangarh, Tehsil, and District Pathankot.

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Gharota, Tehsil and District Pathankot.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Pathankot.

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 5261 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Puneet Singh is present.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier fixed for 08.02.2022 before the Hon'ble State Information Commissioner, Punjab. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab vide office order dated 21.01.2022 has re-allocated the above mentioned case to the undersigned bench. Accordingly, this case was fixed for today's hearing i.e. 31.05.2022.**

**The date of RTI Application is 26.08.2021, the date of First Appeal is 04.10.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 22.11.2021.**

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Puneet Singh states that the information which has been supplied to him from the Panchayat Secretary is misleading and incomplete in nature. He further mentions about an email dated 12.02.2022 which has been received in the Commission and the same is taken on record.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

Also, a letter dated 24.02.2022 has been received in the Commission vide which PIO O/o DDPO, Pathankot has directed the PIO O/o BDPO, Gharota to attend the today's hearing and supply the information to the Appellant accordingly, **but still nobody appears from the department today.**

**Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as information is still not supplied to the Appellant and no one appears from the department today relating to this case.**

**In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Gharota, Tehsil and District Pathankot as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

**In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.**

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant accordingly through registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Commission can take further action against him.



The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

The Appellant, Sh. Puneet Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 23.11.2022 at 11 a.m. for hearing.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 31.05.2022

(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab

**Show cause:**

(Regd. Post)

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Gharota, Tehsil and District Pathankot.

**(Encl. RTI Application)**

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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



Sh. Punnet Singh, S/o Sh. Anil Pathania,  
R/o Village Lahri, 183,  
PO Rattangarh, Tehsil, and District Pathankot.

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Gram Panchayat, Lahri (183),  
Block Gharota, Tehsil and District Pathankot.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Tehsil and District Pathankot.

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 5267 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Puneet Singh is present.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier fixed for 08.02.2022 before the Hon'ble State Information Commissioner, Punjab. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab vide office order dated 21.01.2022 has re-allocated the above mentioned case to the undersigned bench. Accordingly, this case was fixed for today's hearing i.e. 31.05.2022.**

**The date of RTI Application is 15.07.2021, the date of First Appeal is 21.08.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 23.11.2021.**

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Puneet Singh states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that the notice of hearing which was sent to the concerned PIO has been returned back to the Commission by the postal services with the comments written on the envelope as "Refused".

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant accordingly through registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Commission can take further action against him.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

**A copy of the RTI application along with this order be sent to the concerned PIO through registered post.**

The Appellant, Sh. Puneet Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 23.11.2022 at 11 a.m. for hearing.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 31.05.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Gram Panchayat, Lahri (183),  
Block Gharota, Tehsil and District Pathankot. (Encl. RTI Application)**

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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



**Sh. Fuman Singh, S/o Sh. Jaga Singh,**  
VPO Ladhuka,  
Block Jalalabad (West), Tehsil and District Fazilka. (Pin: 152020)  
**M: 97807-72625**

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Panchayat Secretary,  
Gram Panchayat Ladhuka,  
Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Jalalabad (WEST), Tehsil and District Fazilka.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Jalalabad (West), Tehsil and District Fazilka.

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 5223 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Fuman Singh is present.  
Sh. Charanjit Singh, Panchayat Secretary is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier fixed for 08.02.2022 before the Hon'ble State Information Commissioner, Punjab. Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab vide office order dated 21.01.2022 has re-allocated the above mentioned case to the undersigned bench. Accordingly, this case was fixed for today's hearing i.e. 31.05.2022.**

**The date of RTI Application is 23.08.2021, the date of First Appeal is 27.09.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 18.11.2021.**

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Fuman Singh states that no information has been supplied to him. He also mentions about his letter number 18.05.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

On the other hand, the Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Charanjit Singh states that they have send information comprising of 202 pages to the Appellant vide letter number 14.05.2022.

On further discussion, it has been found that the Appellant is not satisfied with the same.

In view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission relating to this case on the next date and **if the PIO and other concerned officials would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against the PIO on the next date of hearing.**

The Appellant, Sh. Fuman Singh is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear personally in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 01.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 01.12.2022 in office of Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 24.05.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**



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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



Sh. Amrinder Singh, S/o Sh. Jaswant Singh,  
R/o Abohar Road,  
H. No. 498, Street no. 04, Sri Muksar Sahib (152026)  
M: 98140-13196

...Appellant

V/s.

Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Sri Muksar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,  
O/o The District Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Sri Muksar Sahib.

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4281 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Amrinder Singh is present.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier fixed for 22.02.2022 but it couldnot be heard on 22.2.2022 due to technical fault in connection of network. Accordingly, this case is fixed for today i.e. 31.05.2022.**

**The date of RTI Application is 25.05.2021, the date of First Appeal is 05.08.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 21.09.2021.**

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Amrinder Singh states that the information which has been supplied to him is unattested and misleading in nature.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

After going through the case file, it has been observed that a letter from the department dated 22.02.2022 signed by Sh. Gursewak Singh ( TA MGNREGA ) has been received in the Commission vide email dated 22.02.2022 in which it has been written that the information has been supplied to the Appellant vide registered post.

**Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO as information is unattested and no one appears from the department today relating to this case for clarifying the facts of this case.**

**In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to the 'concerned' Public Information Officer O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Sri Muksar Sahib as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay in supplying the information to the RTI Appellant and as to why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.**

**In addition, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision thereto, for a personal hearing with the sought for information, before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. A copy of the RTI Application be sent to the concerned PIO along with this order through registered post.**

**The PIO concerned is directed to supply complete attested copies information to the Appellant with a copy to the Commission, by the next date of hearing and the PIO also concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission relating to this case on the next date and if the PIO and other concerned officials would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against the PIO on the next date of hearing.**



The Appellant, Sh. Amrinder Singh is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing positively, failing which it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information and the case would be decided on merits.

This case is adjourned to **01.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M.** and **both the parties** are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. **01.12.2022** in office of Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 31.05.2022**

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**  
**O/o The Block Development and Panchayat Officer,**  
**Sri Muksar Sahib.**

**(Encl. RTI Application)**

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



**Sh. Surinderpal Singh, S/o Late Sh. Babu Singh,**  
R/o 947 , HIG , Jamalpur Colony, Ludhiana (141010)  
**M: 8686278000**

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Principal Secretary,  
Local Govt. Deptt. Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Principal Secretary,  
Local Govt. Deptt. Punjab, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh.

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4672 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Surinderpal Singh is absent.  
Sh. Vikas Kumar, Senior Assistant from Municipal Service Cell is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier fixed for 22.02.2022 but it couldnot be heard on 22.2.2022 due to technical fault in connection of network. Accordingly, this case is fixed for today i.e. 31.05.2022.**

**The date of RTI Application is 24.06.2021, the date of First Appeal is 25.08.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 12.10.2021.**

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Surinderpal Singh is absent.

On the other hand, the Senior Assistant, Sh. Vikas Kumar states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant, Sh. Surinderpal Singh and further mentions about a letter number 2377 dated 07.01.2022 and letter having endorsement number 7587 dated 21.02.2022 which has been sent to the Commission and is taken on record.

After going through the case, the Appellant, Sh. Surinderpal Singh is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that she has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

The concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant again (i.e. if the deficiencies would be pointed out by the Appellant to their department) as per RTI by registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Complainant till date.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

**This case is adjourned to 01.12.2022 at 11 a.m. for hearing.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 31.05.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



**Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate, (M: 9041004313)**  
Chamber Number 602, Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,  
Backside Sanj Kender, Phillaur (144410)

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o The Tehsildar,  
Sunam, District Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
O/o The Sub Divisional Magistrate,  
Sunam.

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4688 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh is present.  
Ms. Jaswinder Kaur, Senior Assistant is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier fixed for 22.02.2022 but it could not be heard on 22.2.2022 due to technical fault in connection of network. Accordingly, this case is fixed for today i.e. 31.05.2022.**

**The date of RTI Application is 04.05.2021, the date of First Appeal is 05.06.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 12.10.2021.**

In today's hearing, the Senior Assistant, Ms. Jaswinder Kaur states that the information has been supplied to the Appellant vide letter number 211 dated 17.06.2021 and again vide letter number 72 dated 12.05.2022. She further mentions about an email dated 31.05.2022 which has been sent to the Commission.

On the other hand, the Appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh states that he has pointed out deficiencies to the concerned department vide letter dated 14.08.2021, 03.02.2022 and again on 16.05.2022 but the same information has been supplied to him without removing the deficiencies.

In view of above, the PIO concerned is directed to bring all the documents / reply to the Commission relating to this case on the next date and **if the PIO and other concerned officials would not personally appear with all the concerned documents relating to this case in the Court on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Court could take further action against the PIO on the next date of hearing.**

The Appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh is directed to appear in the Commission with all the requisite documents relating to this case on the next date of the hearing and if he failed to appear personally in the Commission on the next date of hearing then it would be presumed that he has no intention in collecting the information anymore and the case would be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 01.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. and both the parties are directed to be present on the next date of hearing i.e. 01.12.2022 in office of Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 31.05.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



**Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan, (M: 85095-80002)**

H. No. 78/8, Park Road, New Mandi,  
Dhuri, District Sangrur.

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o The Executive Officer,  
Municipal Council, Dhuri, District Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner (D),  
Sangrur.

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 4732 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is present.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier fixed for 22.02.2022 but it could not be heard on 22.2.2022 due to technical fault in connection of network. Accordingly, this case is fixed for today i.e. 31.05.2022.**

**The date of RTI Application is 26.07.2021, the date of First Appeal is 29.08.2021 and the date of Appeal filed in the Commission is 13.10.2021.**

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan states that no information has been supplied to him.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

After going the case file, it has been observed that the RTI dated 26.07.2021 was filed before the PIO O/o The Principal Secretary, Local Govt. Deptt. Punjab, Chandigarh and under Section 6 (3) the same has been transferred to the PIO O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Dhuri vide dated 12.08.2021 **but nobody appears from the Department today.**

**Commission takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO.**

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant accordingly through registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, failing which it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Commission can take further action against him.

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

**A copy of the RTI application along with this order be sent to the concerned PIO through registered post.**

The Appellant, Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 01.12.2022 at 11 a.m. for hearing.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 31.05.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)  
State Information Commissioner  
Punjab**

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,  
O/o The Executive Officer,  
Municipal Council, Dhuri, District Sangrur.**

**(Encl. RTI Application)**

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**Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab.**



**Ms. Harjeet Kaur,**  
**W/o Sh. Gurdeep Singh,**  
H. No. 107, Ward No. 02, Anaj Mandi, Kurali,  
District SAS Nagar (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s.

**Public Information Officer,**  
**O/o The Executive Officer,**  
Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Department,  
Fatehgarh Sahib.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
**O/o The Superintending Engineer,**  
Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Circle, Nabha Road, Patiala (Punjab)

... Respondents

**Appeal Case No. 3122 of 2021**

**{Heard through Cisco Webex Meetings Software}**

**Present :** The Appellant, Ms. Harjeet Kaur is present.  
None is present from the Department.

**ORDER:**

**This case was earlier heard on 07.03.2022 by the undersigned.**

In today's hearing, the Appellant, Ms. Harjeet Kaur states that the inspection couldn't take place on 08.03.2022 and further requests the Court for information.

On the other hand, none is present from the Department.

After going through case file, an email dated 09.03.2022 from the Appellant is taken on record. And it has also been brought to the notice of undersigned that the previous order dated 07.03.2022 was sent to the wrong address of the Public Information Officer due to clerical error.

**A copy of this order along with RTI Application be sent to the PIO concerned through registered post.**

In view of above, the concerned PIO is directed to supply the information to the Appellant accordingly through registered post or email before the next date of hearing positively and if the information is not available with them then the PIO is directed to file a proper reply vide which explaining the reason, why the information could not be supplied to the Appellant till date, **failing which it would be presumed that the concerned PIO has nothing to say and Commission can take further action against him.**

The PIO is also directed to submit the copy of the postal receipts to the Commission vide which information would have been supplied to the Appellant, by the next date of hearing.

The Appellant, Smt. Harjeet Kaur is directed to go through the supplied information and point out deficiencies in written, **if any**, to the Respondent/PIO through registered post or through email, with a copy to the Commission, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case would be decided on merits.

**This case is adjourned to 01.12.2022 at 11 a.m. for hearing.**

Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Dated: 31.05.2022**

**(Sanjiv Garg)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**

**(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer,**  
**O/o The Executive Officer,**  
Punjab Water Supply and Sanitation Department,  
Fatehgarh Sahib.  
**.(Encl. RTI Application)**