

Vinay Kumar Verma
S/o Sh. Dharampal Verma,
H. No. 1758,
Old Mandi Mullanpur Dakha,
Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Mullanpur Dakha,
Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 381 of 2019

Present : Sh. Vinay Kumar Verma , the appellant in person.
i) Sh. Jagjit Singh, Executive Officer ;
ii) Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 30.01.2019. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 16.04.2019

Sh. Jagjit Singh, Executive Officer and Sh. Abhay Joshi, Accountant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 709 dated 23.07.2019, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Vinay Kumar Verma. He also hands over a copy of the same to the complainant during the hearing in the Commission today. It is taken on record.

The complainant, Sh. Vinay Kumar Verma, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that he has received the requisite information. He also through a letter dated 31.07.2019, has acknowledged that he has received the requisite information and satisfied with the information supplied and asked for filing of his case. It is taken on record.

Since the information stands supplied, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Bhushan Mani

S/o Sh. Hemant Kumar,
H. No. 401, Street – 13,
Virk Colony, Patiala (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The General Manager,
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation,
Patiala Depot, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chairman
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation,
Head Office, Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1432 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 20.12.2018. First appeal is dated 01.02.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 16.04.2019.

The appellant, Sh. Bhushan Mani, is not present in today's hearing.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter dated 31.07.2019 signed by Superintendent, P. R. T. C., Patiala Depot, has requested for an adjournment in this case. It is taken on record.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant, to the queries raised by him through his RTI request before the next date of hearing through registered post and submit a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. He is also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Jatinder Kumar S/o Sh. Ram Saroop,
H. No. 162, Hill View Enclave,
Sharma store, Nangal Township,
Tehsil – Nangal, Distt. – Roopnagar – 140124 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, SriAnandpur Sahib,
Distt. - Roopnagar (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies Circle, Pb.,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1444 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Rakesh Kumar, Junior Engineer ;
ii) Sh. Simranpal Singh, Accountant-cum-APIO, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 13.10.2018. First appeal is dated 14.11.2018.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 16.04.2019.

The appellant, Sh. Jatinder Kumar, is not present in today's hearing.

Sh. Rakesh Kumar, Junior Engineer and Sh. Simranpal Singh, Accountant-cum-APIO, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 08 dated 04.01.2019, showing that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Jatinder Kumar. An office copy of the same is taken on record.

After going through the queries raised by the appellant, Sh. Jatinder Kumar through his RTI request and the response given by the respondent PIO concerned, it emerges that complete information, regarding calculation of tenders passed for the period from 01.01.2017 to 30.09.2018, have been given to the appellant at point no. 01 of the RTI request but at point no. 02, only intimation has been given that EMDs (Earnest Money Deposits) have been returned but it has not been intimated that how many EMDs (Earnest Money Deposits) has been returned.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO concerned to supply the remaining information at point no. 02 of the RTI request, to the appellant before the next date of hearing through registered post and submit a copy of the postal receipt, (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing.

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An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned. He is also advised to represent his case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

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

Jagjit Singh Grewal

V. P. O. – Dhurkot,
Distt. – Ludhiana - 141204 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Principal,
Govt. Institute of Textile Chemistry
& Knitting Technology, Rishi Nagar, Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Principal,
Govt. Institute of Textile Chemistry
& Knitting Technology, Rishi Nagar, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1459 of 2019

Present : Sh. Taranvir Singh on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Gagandeep Sharma, Lecturer (Drawing and Printing), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 09.07.2018. First appeal is dated 03.09.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 22.04.2019

Sh. Gagandeep Sharma, Lecturer (Drawing and Printing), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, Orally states that the requisite information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh Grewal through registered post.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 1179 dated 24.07.2019 signed by Principal, Govt. Institute of Textile Chemistry and Knitting Technology, Ludhiana, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 14523 dated 30.07.2019, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has been sent to the appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh Grewal through registered post. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

Sh. Taranvir Singh, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh Grewal in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been received by the appellant.

Sh. Gagandeep Sharma, Lecturer, orally states that he has brought the required information in the Commission. He also hands over the same to Sh. Taranvir Singh (representative of the appellant) during the hearing in the Commission today.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Sukrit Sharda

50/186, Old Shahpur Road,
Pathankot-145001 (Punjab)

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Executive Engineer,
Provincial Division ,
PWD (B&R), Jalandhar-1(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o The Superintending Engineer,
Construction Circle, PWD(B&R)
Jalandhar-1(Punjab)

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 480 of 2019

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Tirlok Singh, Junior Engineer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 04.06.2019 and the respondent PIO was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record so that the he could identify the information and the respondent-PIO was directed to supply the information, which would be identified after inspection, to the appellant.

Sh. Tirlok Singh, Junior Engineer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally intimates the Commission that the appellant did not visit the office of the respondent to inspect the relevant official record to identify the information as ordered by the Commission vide orders dated 09.04.2019 and 04.06.2019 .

The appellant, Sh. Sukrit Sharda was absent on the hearings, held on 09.04.2019 and 04.06.2019. He is again absent from today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

After giving several opportunities to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent to inspect the relevant official record and identify the information, neither the appellant has visited the office of the respondent nor has approached the Commission with any contrary claim.

In view of the above, it is assumed that the appellant does not wish to pursue this case further and hence the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July,2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Manjinder Singh

H. No. 2469, Sunny Enclave,
Sector 125, Kharar,
Distt. – Mohali - 140301 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Sangrur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1448 of 2019

Present : Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 16.01.2019. First appeal is dated 28.02.2019.
Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.04.2019.

The appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Neither the respondent PIO nor any of his representative is present in today's hearing. He has also not sent any intimation regarding his non-availability. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the Respondent/ PIO.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after a period of five months.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Sangrur, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, 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 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. A copy this order be sent to him through registered post .

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of the required information the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

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

Manjinder Singh

H. No. 2469, Sunny Enclave,
Sector 125, Kharar,
Distt. – Mohali - 140301 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Ferozeprur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1449 of 2019

Present : Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Surinder singh, Clerk, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 16.01.2019. First appeal is dated 28.02.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.04.2019.

The appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Sh. Surinder Singh, Clerk, appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing but the PIO concerned has not given him any authority letter under his signature to represent this case, moreover, he is not aware of the facts of this case. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the Respondent/PIO.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after a period of five months.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer of office of Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Ferozepur, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, 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 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. A copy this order be sent to him through registered post.

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The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of the required information the appellant, as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, through registered post before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the postal receipt (through which information would be sent to the Appellant) on the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information (which would be supplied by respondent PIO) or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

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

Manjinder Singh

H. No. 2469, Sunny Enclave,
Sector 125, Kharar,
Distt. – Mohali - 140301 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

(Regd. Post)

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Gurdaspur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1450 of 2019

Present : Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Gurnam Kumar, Junior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 16.01.2019. First appeal is dated 28.02.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.04.2019.

The appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Sh. Gurnam Kumar, Junior Assistant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that the requisite information could not be supplied to the appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh as the information sought for by him is voluminous in nature as the appellant has demanded information regarding challans for the period from January to March, 2018, which is near about 3600 challans in counting. He also submits a copy reply vide letter no. 58 dated 13.02.2019 signed by Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Gurdaspur, showing that the same reply has been sent to the appellant. It is taken on record.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information to the appellant in the form of CD after collecting the required fee from him, before the next date of hearing and submit a copy of the same or acknowledgement receipt in the Commission on the next date of hearing. A copy this order be sent to him through registered post .

The appellant is also advised to confirm whether he has received the required information from the respondent in CD form or not.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Manjinder Singh

H. No. 2469, Sunny Enclave,
Sector 125, Kharar,
Distt. – Mohali - 140301 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Tarn Taran (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector 17, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1451 of 2019

Present : Sh. Manjinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Sahib Gurinder Singh, Motor Transport Clerk, on behalf of the
respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 16.01.2019. First appeal is dated 28.02.2019.
Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 18.04.2019.

The appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that no information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

Sh. Sahib Gurinder Singh, Motor Transport Clerk, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 181-182 dated 24.07.2019 signed by Sub Divisional Magistrate, Tarn Taran, showing that in response to the RTI request, a reply has been given to the appellant, Sh. Manjinder Singh, intimating him that the information sought for by him does not relate with office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Tarn Taran as it relates with office of Regional Transport Authority, Tarn Taran and Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar is holding the charge of office of Regional Transport Authority, Tarn Taran. It is taken on record.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the RTI request dated 16.01.2019 of the appellant is addressed to Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Tarn Taran and as Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar is holding the charge of office of Regional Transport Authority, Tarn Taran, hence, a copy of this order be sent to Secretary office of Regional Transport Authority, Amritsar alongwith RTI request through registered post with the directions to supply the

certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, by or on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to ensure presence of any official of his office as a representative to represent this case on the next date of hearing so that facts of this case could be cleared.

The PIO office of Sub Divisional Magistrate, Tarn Taran is exempted from personal appearance in future hearings of this case.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

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

(Regd. Post)

**The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Amritsar (Punjab)**

Encl: RTI Request

Rajesh Giri

Opp. Tanki No. 02, Street – 10,
Ward – 22, Basant Nagar,
Khanna, Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Khanna, Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1460 of 2019

Present : Sh. Rajesh Giri, the appellant in person.
Sh. Surinder Kumar, Assistant Municipal Engineer, on behalf of the
respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 14.10.2018. First appeal is dated 07.12.2018.
Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 22.04.2019.

Sh. Surinder Kumar, Assistant Municipal Engineer, who appeared on
behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that he has brought the
requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the
appellant, Sh. Rajesh Giri during the hearing. He also handed over the same to the
appellant during the hearing in the Commission today. He also submits a reply vide
letter no. 1617 dated 30.07.2019 signed by Public Information Officer office of Nagar
Council, Khanna. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

After going through the supplied information, the appellant, Sh. Rajesh
Giri, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that incomplete
information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO as information at point no.
03 of the RTI request is still pending.

The respondent PIO is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the
relevant official record, regarding information demanded at point no. 03 of the RTI
request, on 07.08.2019 at 11:00 A. M. so that the applicant could identify the
information. The appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the
relevant official record on 07.08.2019 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

Both the parties mutually agreed to it during the hearing today.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information in connection with point no. 03 of the RTI request, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing.

Sh. Surinder Kumar, Assistant Municipal Engineer, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record.

The appellant is also advised to confirm whether he has received the remaining information in connection with point no. 03 of the RTI request or not, on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

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

Rajesh Giri

Opp. Tanki No. 02, Street – 10,
Ward – 22, Basant Nagar,
Khanna, Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council,
Khanna, Distt. - Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb., Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1461 of 2019

Present : Sh. Rajesh Giri, the appellant in person.
Sh. Surinder Kumar, Assistant Municipal Engineer, on behalf of the
respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 14.02.2019. First appeal is dated 14.03.2019.
Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 22.04.2019.

Sh. Surinder Kumar, Assistant Municipal Engineer, who appeared on
behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that he has brought the
requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the
appellant, Sh. Rajesh Giri during the hearing. He also handed over the same to the
appellant during the hearing in the Commission today. He also submits a reply vide
letter no. 1621 dated 30.07.2019 signed by Public Information Officer office of Nagar
Council, Khanna. It is taken on record.

After going through the supplied information, the appellant, Sh. Rajesh
Giri, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that irrelevant information
has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO.

The respondent PIO is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the
relevant official record, regarding information demanded at point no. 01 to 05 of the RTI
request, on 07.08.2019 at 11:00 A. M. so that the applicant could identify the
information. The appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the
relevant official record on 07.08.2019 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

Both the parties mutually agreed to it during the hearing today.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information in connection with point no. 01 to 05 of the RTI request, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing.

Sh. Surinder Kumar, Assistant Municipal Engineer, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record.

The appellant is also advised to confirm whether he has received the required information in connection with point no. 01 to 05 of the RTI request or not, on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

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

Harbans Singh Bhatti

General Manager,
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation,
Qila Rehmatgarh, Malerkotla,
Distt. - Sangrur (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
(Regd. Post) O/o The Chairman
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation,
Head Office, Patiala (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Chairman
Pepsu Road Transport Corporation,
Head Office, Patiala (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1447 of 2019

Present : Sh. Harbans Singh Bhatti, the appellant in person.
Sh. Rajan Singh, Clerk, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

The RTI request is dated 30.11.2018. First appeal is dated 26.12.2018.
Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 16.04.2019.

Sh. Rajan Singh, Clerk, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing without any authority letter, orally states that he has brought the requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant, Sh. Harbans Singh Bhatti during the hearing. He handed over the same to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission today. He also submits a reply vide letter no. Spl.-2 dated 30.07.2019 signed by Public Information Officer office of Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Patiala. It, alongwith a copy of supplied information, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Harbans Singh Bhatti, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO and whatever information has been given to him is not legible.

After examining the documents placed on record, it emerges that the requisite information has not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker even after a period of six months.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer of office of Chairman, Pepsu Road Transport Corporation, Head Office, Patiala, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, 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 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. **A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.**

The respondent-PIO concerned is also directed to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through his RTI request, before the next date of hearing. The information to be supplied should be legible and duly attested. He is also directed to appear in person before the Commission to represent this case on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

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

Darshan Singh

S/o Sh. Sikandar Singh
H.No.297, Ward No.1,
Behlolpur Road, Samrala
District Ludhiana (Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Samrala.
District Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Samrala
District Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3980 of 2018

Present : Sh. Darshan Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Jasbir Singh, Executive Officer, in person.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 04.06.2019 and the respondent-PIO concerned was directed to file a detailed reply to the queries raised by the appellant through RTI request.

Sh. Jasbir Singh, Executive Officer, who appeared in person in today's hearing, submits a reply vide letter no. 19 dated 26.07.2019 signed by Public Information Officer-cum-Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Samrala, showing that in response to the RTI request, a point-wise reply has been sent to the appellant, Sh. Darshan Singh. He also submits another reply vide letter no. 21 dated 26.07.2019, stating that as per assessment for the year 1999-2000, Behlolpur Road, Samrala, was under Ward no. 08 and afterwards in year 2014 it came under Ward No. 01. Further, area of Punjab Public Secondary School was under Ward no. 09 and presently it comes under Ward No. 05. He also hands over both the replies to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission today. Both the abovementioned replies are taken on record.

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After going through the supplied documents, the appellant, Sh. Darshan Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally expresses his dissatisfaction over the information supplied to him by the respondent PIO as the respondent PIO has not given specific information regarding execution of works in all the streets on Behlolpur Road, Samrala and information regarding the disposal of old bricks.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent-PIO to file a detailed reply, in writing, to each and every query (at point no. 01 to 04, 06 and 07) raised by the appellant through RTI request at point no. 01, regarding tenders through which works of streets was done ; at point no. 02, regarding the works of streets already done as well as pending, at point no. 03, regarding work of interlocking tiles ; at point no. 04 regarding time period within which work of streets has been done, at point no. 06 regarding Name of the contractor and at point no. 07, regarding utilization of old bricks and if removed usage at other place, as per official record by or on the next date of hearing.

The respondent PIO is also directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record, on 07.08.2019 at 11:00 A. M. so that the applicant could identify the information. The appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 07.08.2019 at 11:00 A. M. to identify the information.

Both the parties mutually agreed to it during the hearing today.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information in connection with point no. 01 to 04, 06 and 07 of the RTI request, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing.

The appellant is also advised to confirm whether he has received the required information in connection with point no. 01 to 04, 06 and 07 of the RTI request or not, on the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

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

Tejinder Singh

R/o Vill. Bholapur, PO Ramgarh
Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana,
District Ludhiana-141008 (Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17B, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17B, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.3985 of 2018

Present : Sh. Tejinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Shyam Lal, Assistant Transport officer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 04.06.2019 and the respondent-PIO concerned was directed either to supply the certified copies of complete information to the appellant as per queries raised by him through RTI request or file a point-wise written reply, under his signatures, to each and every query, raised by the appellant through his RTI request

Sh. Shyam Lal, Assistant Transport officer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that he has brought the requisite information in the Commission so that the same could be handed over to the appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh during the hearing. He also handed over the same to the appellant during the hearing in the Commission today. He also submits a reply vide letter no. 20252 dated 31.07.2019 signed by Public Information Officer office of State Transport Commissioner, Punjab. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Tejinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that he has received the required information. He also through a letter dated 31.07.2019, has acknowledged that he has received the requisite information and satisfied with the information supplied and asked for filing of his case. It is taken on record.

Since the information stands supplied, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Yogesh Mahajan

S/o Sh. Kuldeep Raj Mahajan
Opposite Water Tank,
Municipal Market Mission Road,
Pathankot (Punjab)

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Sub Divisional Officer,
Construction Division NO.2
PWD(B&R), Malout,
Distt.SriMuktsar Sahib (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Superintending Engineer,
PWD (B&R) Circle,
Faridkot (Punjab)

....Respondents

Appeal Case No.3973 of 2018

Present : None on behalf of the Appellant.
Sh. Pawan Kumar, Junior Engineer, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 04.06.2019 and the respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the certified copies of the remaining information/written reply in connection with point no. 02 of the RTI request, to the appellant through registered post. Last opportunity was also given to the appellant to represent this case in person or through his representative.

Sh. Pawan Kumar, Junior Engineer, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, orally states that complete information has already been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan through registered post time and again.

The appellant, Sh. Yogesh Mahajan was not present on the hearings, held on 21.02.2019, 10.04.2019 and 04.06.2019. He is again not present in today's hearing.

Despite of giving several opportunities to represent this case in person or through his representative, the appellant neither presented himself before the Bench of the undersigned in person nor sent any of his representative to represent this case.

As the required information has been supplied in the instant appeal case and no cause of action is left in this case, the case is **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July,2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Sukhwinder Singh,
2346, Ward No.4, Sunder Market,
Machhiwara, Distt. Ludhiana-141001(Punjab)

...Appellant

Vs.

Public Information Officer
(Regd. Post) O/o The District Transport Officer,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The State Transport Commissioner
Sector-17B, Chandigarh.

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3960 of 2018

Present : Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, the appellant in person.
Sh. Rohit Sood, Junior Assistant, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This case was last heard on 04.06.2019 and the respondent PIO concerned was directed to provide the required information to the Appellant.

Sh. Rohit Sood, who appeared on behalf of the respondent in today's hearing, submits a reply dated Nil signed (jointly) by Assistant Transport Officer, Ludhiana and Motor vehicle Inspector, Ludhiana, which is certified by Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Ludhiana, showing that in response to the RTI request, available information has been sent to the appellant. It is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, orally states that incomplete information has been supplied to him by the respondent PIO so far.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the certified copies of complete information to the appellant demanded by him through his RTI request regarding action taken on the complaints filed by him i) vide letter no. 34/2015 dated 17.08.2015 ; ii) 56/2015 dated 14.12.2015 ; iii) 10/2016 dated 03.04.2016 ; and iv) 1/2017 dated 16.07.2017 by or on the next date of hearing. If any information is not available in the official record, he/she (the respondent-PIO concerned) will file a written reply in the shape of an affidavit, stating that whatever information is available in the official record, has been supplied to the appellant and no other information apart from the information supplied, is found traceable in the official record. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

The case is **adjourned to 7th October, 2019 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M.**
Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date : 31st July, 2019

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab