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Sh Prem Singh, S/o Sh Jaspal sikh,
VPO Amar Pura, Tehsil Abohar,
Distt Fazika.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM, Abohar,
Distt Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Abohar,
Fazilka.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1167 of 2019

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
Sh.Lakhbir Singh, Clerk O/o SDM Abohar for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 27.12.2018 has sought information regarding nomination form of Sarpanch candidate of Bimla Devi and Raj Bala alongwith supporting documents and other information concerning the office of SDM Abohar. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 09.02.2019 which took no decision on the appeal.

The respondent present submitted a letter signed by the PIO-cum-SDM-Abohar dated 26.07.2019 stating that since the record regarding nomination form was taken from the returning officer of the concerned block, after taking necessary action, the record files have been deposited in sealed cover with the ADC(Development), Fazilka. The respondent further pleaded that since the information relates to the District Development and Panchayat Officer-cum-Returning Officer, Abohar, the RTI application has been transferred to them vide letter dated 16.01.2019 and the reply has been sent to the appellant.

The appellant is absent and vide email has sought adjournment. The case is adjourned. The PIO-DDPO-cum-Returning Officer, Abohar is impleaded in the case and directed to provide the information to the appellant.

To come up for further hearing on **11.11.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

CC to :1. District Development & Panchayat Officer-cum-Returning Officer, Vidhan Sabha Constituency-081, Abohar.

2. ADC(Development) Fazilka

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Sh Jarnail Singh, S/o Sh Kartar Singh,
H NO-342/6, Aman colony,
Sirhind Mandi, Distt Fatehgarh Sahib.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o GMADA,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o GMADA,
Mohali

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1177 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Jarnail Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Gurlshan Kumar, PIO-GMADA Mohali for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 18.10.2018 has sought information regarding amount of rent deducted from the salary of Sh.Kuldeep Singh, Driver regarding House No.HL-57-A Phase-1 Mohali given to Sh.Kuldeep Singh Driver on rent and other information concerning the office of GMADA Mohali. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 19.11.2018 which took no decision on the appeal.

The respondent present pleaded that since the staff was busy in some other assignment, the information could not be provided and assured to provide the information within 10 days.

The PIO is directed to provide the information to the appellant within 10 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

With the above order, the case is **disposed off and closed.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Regd Post

Sh Deven Munjal,
Ward No-19, Street NO-4, Roop Nagar,
Gidderbaha, Distt Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Tehsildar, Gidderbaha,
Distt Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Gidderbaha,
Distt Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1227 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Devan Munjal as the Appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER: The appellant through RTI application dated 06.09.2018 has sought information regarding sale/transfer deeds registered for properties falling under the MC limit of Gidderbaha alongwith copies of NOC, details of RTIs and funds utilized and other information concerning the office of Tehsildar, Gidderbaha. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 09.11.2018 which took no decision on the appeal.

The appellant claims that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent is absent. The commission has received an email from the PIO stating that the appellant has been asked to get copies of NOCs regarding point-1 from the Sewa Kendra by depositing requisite fee and the information regarding point-2 has been sent to the appellant.

Having gone through the reply, the Commission observes that information is incomplete since the appellant in point-2 has asked for regarding RTI applications which were replied within the prescribed time of 30 days. The PIO has also not replied regarding points-3 & 4. The respondent has also not replied to the RTI application within the time prescribed under the RTI Act. The appellant is directed to inspect the record regarding point-1 by visiting the office of PIO by fixing a mutually convenient date and time and get the relevant information. The PIO is directed to allow inspection of record to the appellant and provide the information regarding point-1, in the form it exists.

The Commission further observes that there has been an enormous delay of 10 months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission has taken a serious note of this and hereby directs the PIO-Tehsildar Gidderbaha to show cause **why penalty be not imposed on him under Section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time.** He/she should file an affidavit in this regard. If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such persons of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies. The PIO is again directed to provide the information to the appellant within 10 days.

To come up for further hearing on **13.11.2019 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Sri Mukatsar Sahib. The order be sent to both the parties through **Registered Post.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

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Sh Tejinder Singh,
Village Bholapur. P.O Ramgarh,
Chandigarh Road, Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o GLADA,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o GLADA,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1229 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Tejinder Singh as the Appellant
Sh.Santosh Kumar Bains, PIO-GLADA Ludhiana for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 16.08.2018 has sought information regarding notices issued for resuming flat No.836 MIG Jamalpur Colony, Ludhiana and action taken for violation of building byelaws and other information concerning the office of GLADA Ludhiana. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 16.09.2018 which took no decision on the appeal.

The appellant claims that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent present has pleaded that the concerned file has been tagged with some other files and they are trying to trace out the same. The respondent has sought time for 45 days.

The case is adjourned. The respondent is directed to provide the information within 45 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

To come up for compliance on **11.11.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
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Sh Deepak Gutt,
H no-631, Sector-9,
Punchkula.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o GMADA,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o GMADA,
Mohali.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1244 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.Puneet on behalf of the Appellant
Sh.Gulshan Kumar, PIO-GMADA for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 12.11.2018 has sought information on 30 points regarding residential colony namely Sky Rock City-Village Behrampur, Sector 111-112, SAS Nagar, Mohli and other information concerning the office of GMADA Mohali. The appellant was not satisfied with the reply of the PIO vide letter dated 05.12.2018 whereby the PIO raised Rs.500/- for providing information regarding point-2 after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 15.12.2018 which disposed off the appeal and the PIO-STP Mohali vide letter dated 31.12.2018 asked the appellant to deposit requisite fee of Rs.554/- for information regarding points 1,2,3,4,&5.

The Respondent pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 09.01.2019. The appellant is not satisfied and stated that the respondent has not provided information regarding role, responsibility of GMADA and an action if the developer fails to give possession of plots to public as sought in point-30. The respondent states that they have cancelled the license of the builder.

Hearing both the parties, the Commission directs the PIO to relook at point-30 and reply accordingly as per the query raised in the RTI application.

The case is adjourned. To come up for compliance on **11.11.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh H.S Hundal,
1, Dutt Road, Moga.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM,
Moga.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM,
Moga..

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3626 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.H.S.Hundal as the Appellant
Sh.Davinder Pal Singh, Clerk O/o SDM Moga for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 29.07.2018 has sought information regarding funds received for exigency/disaster/contingency, from 01.01.2016 onwards, its appropriation and other information concerning the office of SDM Moga. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 31.08.2018 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case was first heard on 29.01.2019 by Sh.A.S.Chanduraian, State Information appellant. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. Sh.Prince Kumar, RTI Clerk appeared on behalf of the respondent. The PIO was given one more opportunity to provide the information to the appellant as per the RTI application. On the next date of hearing which was held on 26.02.2019, Sh.Manveer Singh Bath, advocate for the respondent appeared and handed over the information to the appellant. The appellant was asked to point out the discrepancies if any to the PIO and the PIO was directed to remove the same.

On the date of hearing on 20.03.2019, Sh.Manveer Singh, Advocate informed that the appellant has not pointed out the discrepancies. The appellant was absent and sought adjournment.

The case has come up for hearing today. The appellant informed that he has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh H.S Hundal,
1, Dutt Road, Moga.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM,
Moga.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM,
Moga..

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3627 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.H.S.Hundal as the Appellant
Sh.Davinder Pal Singh, Clerk O/o SDM Moga for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 26.07.2018 has sought information regarding mutation on the basis of will of late Amrik Singh s/o Pritam Singh of village Salina Tehsil and Distict Moga and other information concerning the office of SDM Moga. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 31.08.2018 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case was last heard by Sh.A.S.Chanduraian, State Information Commissioner on 20.03.2019. Sh.Manveer Singh Bath, advocate appeared on behalf of the respondent. The counsel brought the reply on an affidavit. The appellant was absent and sought adjournment. The respondent was directed to send the reply/affidavit to the appellant through registered post. The appellant was given an opportunity to express his grievances by filing a written submission to the PIO and the PIO was directed to remove the same.

The case has come up for hearing. The appellant informed that he has received the information and is satisfied.

Since the information has been provided, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed off and closed.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh H.S Hundal,
1, Dutt Road, Moga.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM,
-Cum- Registering Authority,
Moga.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM,
Moga..

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3628 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh.H.S.Hundal as the Appellant
Sh.Davinder Pal Singh, Clerk O/o SDM Moga for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 29.07.2018 has sought information regarding registration record of motor vehicles registered by its owners of other states alongwith NOCs issue by concerned authority of other states and other information concerning the office of SDM Moga. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 31.08.2018 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case was first heard on 29.01.2019 by Sh.A.S.Chanduraian, State Information appellant. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. Sh.Prince Kumar, RTI Clerk appeared on behalf of the respondent who sought adjournment. The PIO was given one more opportunity to provide the information to the appellant as per the RTI application. On the next date of hearing which was held on 26.02.2019, Sh.Manveer Singh Bath, advocate for the respondent appeared and pleaded that the information regarding points 1,2 &3 has been provided and remaining information relates to RTA Faridkot. The PIO-RTA was directed to appear and represent his case on the next date of hearing.

On the date of hearing which was held on 20.03.2019, the counsel appeared on behalf of the respondent informed that they have already intimated to the appellant that the information on points-4 to 7 relates to RTA Faridkot. The appellant was absent and sought adjournment.

The case has come up for hearing today. The appellant informed that he has not received the information. The respondent present pleaded that the information is available in the custody of the RTA Fardikot.

Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the Commission directs the PIO-SDM Moga to procure the information from RTA Faridkot and provide to the appellant. The complete information on points-1 & 4 be provided in the entire RTI application. The information be provided within 15 days.

With the above order, the case is **disposed off and closed**. However, the Commission makes it clear that if the information is not provided, the appellant is free to come to the Commission again.

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh H.S Hundal,
1, Dutt Road, Moga.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM,
-Cum- Registering Authority,
Moga.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o DC,
Moga..

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3630 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh H.S Hundal as the Appellant
Sh.Davinder Pal Singh, Clerk O/o SDM Moga for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 29.07.2018 has sought information regarding name and address of present and previous owners of different vehicles as mentioned in the RTI application alongwith all related documents for transfer of ownership and other information concerning the office of SDM Moga. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 31.08.2018 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case was earlier heard by Sh.A.S.Chanduraian, State Information Commissioner on 29.01.2018, 26.02.2019 and 20.03.2019. In the last hearing, Sh.Manveer Singh Bath, advocate appeared on behalf of the respondent and brought a reply vide letter dated 19.03.2019 signed by the PIO. The appellant was absent and sought adjournment. The counsel was directed to send the information to the appellant through registered post. The appellant was given an opportunity to express his grievances by filing a written submission to the PIO and the PIO was directed to remove the same.

The case has come up for hearing today. The appellant pleaded that he has not received the information regarding vehicle No.PB-29-N-9982. The PIO is directed to provide the information within 10 days and send a compliance report to the Commission.

With the above order, the case is **disposed off and closed.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner



Sh H.S Hundal,
1, Dutt Road, Moga.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o SHO,
Police Station-Sadar Moga,
Moga.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SSP,
Moga..

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3677 of 2019

PRESENT: Sh H.S Hundal as the Appellant
Sh.Angrej Singh, ASI for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 10.08.2018 has sought information regarding complete misls and entire case diary of the case in FIR No.24 dated 28.04.1991 Police Station Sadar Moga and and other information concerning the office of SHO-Police Station, Sadar Moga. The appellant was not provided the information after which he filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 14.09.2018 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case was first heard on 29.01.2019 by Sh.A.S.Chanduraian, State Information appellant. Sh.Jaspal Singh, ASI appeared on behalf of the respondent. The PIO was directed to either provide the information or file a point-wise reply on the next date of hearing. On the next date of hearing which was held on 26.02.2019, Sh.Chamkaur Singh, ASI appeared on behalf of the respondent but brought nothing. The PIO was again directed to either provide the information or file a written reply.

On the date of hearing which was held on 20.03.2019, Sh.Nachattar Singh, ASI appeared on behalf of the respondent and brought a reply which was taken on the record. The appellant was absent. The respondent was directed to send the reply to the appellant through registered post. The appellant was given an opportunity to express his grievances by filing a written submission to the PIO and the PIO was directed to remove the same.

The case has come up for hearing today. The appellant informed that he has not received the information. The respondent present has brought an affidavit which is taken on the file of the Commission. In the affidavit, the PIO has stated that except the FIR, no other record relating to FIR No.24 is available in the police station. The Commission is not satisfied with the reply of the PIO. The PIO is directed to trace out all the other available documents pertaining to this particular case. The documents to be brought at the next hearing

To come up for compliance on **11.11.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

Chandigarh
Dated:31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
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Sh. Tahaf Bains, S/o Sh.Dipender Singh,
1562, Sector-18-D, Chandigarh.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub Registrar, Jalalabad,
Distt.Fazilka..

First Appellate Authority,
O/o SDM, Jalalabad,
Distt. FAzilka.

..Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3838 of 2018

Present: Sh.Tahaf Bains as Appellant
Sh.Surinder Kumar, Steno O/o Tehsldar Jalalabad for the Respondent

Order:

The case was first heard on 05.03.2019. Since the PIO denied the information stating that the information is in question form and it cannot be provided, the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority which disposed off the appeal on 20.08.2018 with the order that the information is third party information.

The appellant claimed that he being a co-parcener and legal heir as per law, is legally entitled to a share in the coparcenary property of his father and fore-fathers and for implementing that right, he requires details of the property. The respondent was absent. The PIO was directed to appear personally on the next date of hearing and explain the reasons for not providing the information in accordance with the RTI Act.

The case was again heard on **26.03.2019**. The respondent present pleaded that the information sought by the appellant is not specific and is third party information. The respondent further pleaded that the appellant has not provided the vasika number of the property. The appellant had provided only the mutation numbers of the property to the respondent, which makes it difficult for the public authority to trace the sought information.

After having gone through the arguments of the case, the Commission found both the pleas of the PIO untenable. The Commission observed that since the appellant is a co-parcener and legal heir in the property, he has every right to access the information. The PIO was directed to provide the information to the appellant as sought in the RTI application before the next date of hearing.

The case was again heard on **24.04.2019**. The respondent present brought the Vasika numbers and informed that on the basis of these vasika numbers, the appellant can get the information from the Sewa Kendra by depositing requisite fee. The appellant said that since they have asked the information under RTI Act, they are not to go to the Sewa Kendra and the information be provided under the RTI Act. The respondent was directed to raise the fee under the RTI Act within a week and provide the information before the next date of hearing.

Appeal Case No. 3838 of 2018

The case was last heard on **12.06.2019**. The respondent present pleaded that in compliance with the order of the Commission, the information on 24 Vasika Numbers out of 35 have been provided to the appellant and they shall provide information of the remaining vasika number. The respondent further informed that the information on remaining 7 vasika numbers (55, 639,649,761,3434, 5617, 5619, 6436, 04, 09) has to be provided by the office of Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka. The PIO-DC Fazilka was impleaded in the case and directed to provide the information of each vasika.

Hearing dated 31.07.2019:

The appellant informed that he has received a letter dated 08.07.2019 from the PIO vide which he has been asked to get the information from the concerned Sewa Kendra by depositing requisite fee as prescribed under the rules.

The respondent present from the office of Tehsildar Jalalabad has submitted an application signed by the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka vide which the Deputy Commissioner has pleaded for review of earlier order dated 12.06.2019 and for direction to the appellant to obtain certified copies of the information in accordance with the rules & regulations/instructions of Punjab Govt.

Having gone through the review petition, I am of the considered view that the applicant has applied for information under the RTI Act 2005, and the same should be made available in the form which the appellant has asked, as well as fee be charged under the form the applicant has asked for the information, unless barred by law, which is not the case in the matter.

The plea of the Deputy Commissioner is not accepted. The order of the Commission stands. The Commission makes it clear that **Section 22 of the RTI Act** expressly provides that the provisions of the RTI Act shall have effect notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in the Official Secrets Act, 1923, and any other law for the time being in force or in any instrument having effect by virtue of any law other than the RTI Act.

The PIO is directed to provide remaining information to the appellant under RTI Act within ten days of receipt of this order by charging the requisite fee as prescribed under the RTI Act. The PIO also to certify the copies of information already provided, and carry the official stamp at the next date of hearing for attesting the copies of the information, if any, left uncertified.

To come up on **11.11.2019 at 11.00 AM** for further hearing.

Chandigarh
Dated: 31.07.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner

CC to PIO-Deputy Commissioner,
Fazilka.



Sh Jasbir Singh,
Village Bolapur, Jhabewal, P.O Ramgarh,
Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Patiala.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 857 of 2019

**PRESENT: Sh.Tejinder Singh, advocate on behalf of the Appellant
Sh.Gurinder Pal Singh, SDO, Pollution Control Board, Patiala and
Sh.Amandeep Singh, SDO Pollution Control Board Ludhiana for the
Respondent**

ORDER:

The case was last heard on 25.06.2019. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 10.05.2019 and a copy of the same submitted to the Commission. The respondent further informed that the appellant had filed RTI application to the office of Pollution Control Board, Patiala, which forwarded it to them on 02.04.2019 and the information was sent to the appellant on 10.05.2019.

Having seen the reply of the PIO, the Commission observed that the respondent in his reply has mentioned that no NOC was issued to M/s Simran Honda Agency. The respondent also mentioned that M/s Simran Honda Agency has not applied for NOC.

The Commission further observes the following-

-The PIO, Pollution Board Patiala took enormous time in transferring application to the PIO Pollution Board Ludhiana.

-The First appellate Pollution board, Patiala did not intimate the appellant of transferring his appeal to Ludhiana, which the appellant filed after not receiving the sought information within the prescribed 30 days.

-The First appellant, Pollution Board Ludhiana took no decision on the appeal.

The Commission directed the Patiala and Ludhiana PIOs, as well as first appellant authorities of both the places to file an explanation for the delay and gross negligence in tending to the RTI Application. The PIO, Punjab Pollution Control, Ludhiana was also directed to inform the commission that whether a NOC is mandatory to run a car dealership, and if yes what steps have been taken to implement the rule since the said dealership is deemed to be running without a NOC till now.

Hearing dated 31.07.2019:

The respondent present from Pollution Control Board Patiala submitted a reply of the PIO stating that the RTI application was received by them on 17.12.2018, which was transferred to the Pollution Control Board, Ludhiana vide letter dated 31.12.2018 and a copy of the letter was endorsed to the appellant. Thereafter, the appellant filed first appeal on 10.01.2019 which was also forwarded to the Ludhiana office on 30.01.2019.

The respondent present from the office of Pollution Control Board, Ludhiana submitted a reply dated 29.07.2019 of PIO stating that the RTI application dated 10.12.2018 was not received by their office. The RTI application dated 22.03.2019 of the appellant was received on 05.04.2019 and the information was sent to the appellant on 10.05.2019. The PIO in the letter has informed that the car dealership is not covered under the purview of the Water Act and NOC is not mandatory to run a car dealership.

The information stands provided. However, at this hearing, it is observed that the dates provided by the previous respondent have been erroneous and misleading. The actual position is that the RTI application was filed on 10.12.2018 at Patiala which was forwarded to Ludhiana on 31.12.2018, and after not getting a reply, the appellant filed first appeal on 10.01.2019. The First appellate Authority dismissed the appeal on flimsy grounds that the appellant is satisfied and not interested in the matter whereas no information was provided or the appellant expressed his satisfaction/dissatisfaction.

The pollution board Ludhiana is also trying to establish that the information has been provided, albeit it is through a different RTI application of a similar nature. The information provided through another RTI application cannot be passed as information for this particular case. The PIO-Pollution Control Board, Ludhiana is directed to file a detailed reply into the circumstances of supplying misleading information as well as for the above observations of the Commission.

To come up for further hearing on **11.11.2019 at 11.00 AM.**

**Chandigarh
Dated 31.07.2019**

**Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner**

CC to PIO-Punjab Pollution Control Board, Ludhiana