



Shri Balvir Singh, (81463 09330)
S/o Shri Mahinder Singh,
R/o VPO Jodhewal, Tehsil Samrala,
District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Assistant Registrar,
Cooperative Societies, Samrala,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Joint Registrar,
Cooperative Societies,
Patiala.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO.1768 OF 2022

PRESENT: Shri Balvir Singh, Appellant.
Shri Jasbir Singh, Superintendent (94178 76464) along with Shri Navdeep
Singh Jr. Assistant (98558 40012) on behalf of the PIO

ORDER (SECOND HEARING):

This order may be read with the reference to the order dated 10.08.2022
passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.

2. The Representative of the PIO appears in person along with the record for the
perusal of the Bench and the appellant.

3. The Appellant states that the incomplete information has been provided to
him.

4. After deliberations on the RTI application of the Appellant the PIO is directed
to provide the remaining information to him, before the next date of hearing. In case
information sought by the appellant is not available in the official records, then PIO is
directed to file an Affidavit in this regard and produce the same before the Bench, on or
before the next date of hearing, failing which **penalty of Rs. 25000/-** will be imposed upon
him.

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5. The perusal of the record reveals that in this case the appellant has tried his best to get the information from the PIO who failed to provide the information to the appellant within stipulated period. He has been made to run from pillar to post for getting the information, which he could not get even after the notice was issued by the Commission in the Second Appeal. He has suffered unnecessary detriments/harassment in getting the information at the hands of the PIO.

6. I have also looked into all the facts and circumstances of the case. In my view this is a fit case, where award of compensation under Section 19 (8) (b) is also called for. I have no doubt in my mind that this state of affairs has also come about on account of the absence of adequate machinery for handling the RTI work in O/o Assistant Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Samrala, District Ludhiana is thus, responsible for the inadequate handling of the RTI request and in the instant case as well. I, therefore, order that **compensation of Rs. 5000/- (Rupees Five Thousand Only)** be paid to the appellant for the detriments suffered by him.

7. This amount shall be payable from the funds of O/o Assistant Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Samrala, District Ludhiana by way of crossed Cheque/Demand Draft in the name of Shri Balvir Singh within one month.

8. The PIO is directed to send a copy of Cheque/Demand Draft to the Commission to establish the fact that order of the Commission has been complied with.

9. The matter is adjourned to **19.10.2022 at 11:30 AM in the Commission.**

**Chandigarh
Patti)
31.08.2022**

**(Maninder Singh
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**



Sh. Manjit Singh Komal, (9914514555)

174 A, Shastri Nagar,
Model Town, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant/Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Police Station, Salem Tabri,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner of Police,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 54 of 2021
(Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present: Appellant: Sh. Manjit Singh Komal
Respondent: Sh. Kulwant singh (ASI)

ORDER (Second Hearing):

1. This order may be read with the reference of previous hearing of the commission dated 18.05.2022.
2. Both the parties are present and heard.
3. Keeping in view the facts of the case and the submissions made by both the parties, it is evident that no satisfactory reply had been provided by the respondent in the matter, which is a grave violation of the provisions of the RTI Act 2005.. The Commission therefore, directs the respondent to provide a clear and specific information to the Appellant within a period of 15 days in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005; from the date of receipt of this order. **The penalty imposed (Rs. 10000/-) on the respondent PIO dated 02.05.2022 is upheld.**

The Drawing and Disbursing Officer O/o District Police Headquarter, Ludhiana is directed to deduct the amount of penalty of Rs. 10000/- from the salary of the PIO O/o Police Station, Salem Tabri, Ludhiana and deposited in the State Treasury in the following Head of Account and to report its compliance to the Commission: -

- 0070- Other Administrative Services
- 60 – Other Services
- 0800 – Other Receipts
- 86-Fee under the RTI Act, 2005

4. The matter is adjourned to the personal hearing at PSIC, Chandigarh on **19th, October, 2022 at 11.30 A.M.**

Sd/-

Chandigarh
Dated: 31.08.2022

(Maninder Singh Patti)
State Information Commissioner, Pb.



Sh. Raj. M. Singh, (9818575847)
C - 704, SomVihar,
R.K. Puram, New Delhi – 110022

.....Appellant/Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer

.....Respondent

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Majri,
Distt.Mohali.

Complaint Case No. 494 of 2022

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Date of RTI Application	Date of Reply, if any of SPIO	Date of Appeal/Complaint filed in the Commission
29.07.2022	03.08.2022	08.08.2022

Present : Appellant : Sh. Raj. M. Singh

Respondent: Ms. Nidhi (BDPO) along with Surinder pal Singh (Panchayat secty.)

ORDER (Second Hearing):

1. This order may be read with the reference of previous hearing of the commission dated 22.08.2022.

2. Facts emerging in Course of Hearing:

Both the parties are present for the hearing. The complainant, Sh. Raj. M. Singh is aggrieved over the non-receipt of the information. Respondent PIO came up with various official records in response to the information sought by the appellant. The complainant further submitted that respondent PIO malafidely or knowingly giving incorrect and misleading information in the court which is the subject of the application.

3. DECISION:

Keeping in view the facts of the case and the submissions made by both the parties and in the light of above deliberations, the Commission directs the PIO to re-examine the matter and provide a clear, cogent and reasoned point-wise response to the Appellant as per the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005, within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

The PIO is however, cautioned to exercise due care in future to ensure that correct and complete information is furnished timely to the RTI applicant(s) as per provisions of the Act failing which penal proceedings under Section 20 shall be initiated.

The Commission also instructs the Respondent Public Authority to convene periodic conferences/seminars to sensitize, familiarize and educate the concerned officials about the relevant provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 for effective discharge of its duties and responsibilities.



Complaint Case No. 494 of 2022

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The matter is adjourned to the personal hearing at PSIC, Chandigarh on 19th, October, 2022 at 11.30 A.M.

Chandigarh
Dated: 31.08.2022

Sd/-
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