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Sh. Bhupinder Singh,
VPO - Chawinda Devi,
Tehsil - Majitha,
Distt Amritsar.
M : 9781458000

Complainant

Public Information Officer,
O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Majitha,
Distt Amritsar.

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 507/2020
(Cisco Webex proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Bhupinder Singh, complainant.
Sh. Ashok Kumar, Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.9.2020.

2. The appellant states that no information has been provided by the respondents so far. However, the representative of the respondents states that the information has already been sent to the complainant through registered post on 4.11.2020 as he has received the charge of the record on 3.11.2020.

3. According to the submissions made by the representative of the respondents the case is adjourned with the advice to the appellant to go through the information on its receipt and point out deficiency, if any, to the respondent-Public Information Officer before the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on 7.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar/cisco webex.

Dated: 5.11.2020

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Sh. Jagir Singh S/o Sh. Partap,
R/o Village Nawa Dala Rajputtan,
Tehsil Ajnala,
Distt Amritsar. M : 9592683411

Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 622 of 2020
(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 14.1.2020 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 8.9.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. Since, both the parties are absent, therefore, the case is adjourned.

3. To come up on 7.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar /cisco webex.

Dated: 5.11.2020

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Sh. Gurpal Singh,
2317/4, Sawan Nagar,
Amritsar.M : 9888370064

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Amritsar.
First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Amritsar.

Public Information Officer (By name) (Registered)
-cum-District Food and Supply Controller,
Amritsar

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2496 of 2020

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Gurpal Singh, appellant.
Sh. Mohinder Arora, 9653800200 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 27.5.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 11.7.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 7.9.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that the respondent-Public Information Officer o/o the District Food and Supply Controller, Amritsar is providing the misleading information and he has sent the submissions through email, which are taken on record.

3. Since, the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar has transferred the RTI application of the appellant under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Public Information Officer o/o the District Food & Supply Controller, Amritsar, therefore, he is impleaded as necessary party in this case. He is also directed to file the reply/supply the information pertaining to the RTI application of the appellant before the next date of hearing . A copy of the RTI application of the appellant is **sent with this order**.

4. To come up on 14.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Amritsar /cisco webex.

Dated: 5.11.2020

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Sh. Jagdeep Singh S/o Sh. Dilbagh Singh,
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Civil Lines, Ludhiana-141001
M : 9814107139

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Executive Officer,
Panchayat Samiti, Sahina,
Distt Barnala.

First Appellate Authority
-cum-District Development and Panchyat Officer,
Barnala.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2497 of 2020

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Jagdeep Singh, appellant on phone
Sh. Amritpal, Patwari 9738469000 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 22.5.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 17.7.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 7.9.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant states that he has not received the information pertaining to Point No. 1 & 2 of the RTI application and the remaining information pertaining to the RTI application has been received but it is unattested. The representative of the respondents states that the information pertaining to the Point No. 1 & 2 will be supplied to the appellant before the next date of hearing. With regard to the unattested information, the representative of the respondents states that the appellant may come to the office along with the supplied information that will be attested.

3. According to the assurance given by the representative of the respondents the respondent-Public Information Officer is directed to supply the information pertaining to Point No. 1 & 2 of the RTI application. Also the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent-Public Information Officer along with the information supplied and the respondent-Public Information Officer is bound to attest the same.

4. To come up on 9.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Barnala/cisco webex.

Dated: 5.11.2020

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Sh. Tirlochan Singh,
R/o 848- A, MIG Flats,
Jamalpur Colony,
Ludhiana-141010.
M : 9463658200

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2438 of 2020

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Tirlochan Singh, appellant.

Sh. Sukhpal Singh, HRC 9876332933 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 1.5.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 1.6.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 3.9.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the complete information as available on record has been supplied to the appellant and nothing more is available on record which could be supplied to him. The information pertaining to the RTI application has also been received in the Commission through email, which is taken on record. However, the appellant states that he has not received the information.

3. Since the information has been sent to the Commission so the same has been transmitted to the appellant during the course of hearing through whatsapp and after going through the same, the appellant requested for a week's time to make the submissions in this case regarding Point No. 3 & 4 of the RTI application.

4. According to the submissions made by the appellant, he is directed to make the submissions in this case, if any, within seven days.

5. To come up on 23.11.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana /cisco webex.

Dated: 5.11.2020

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S. Trilochan Singh,
House No 848 A, M.I.G.
Jamalpur Colony,
Distt Ludhiana.
M : 9463658200

Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o SDM cum Licensing and Registration,
Amritsar- 2,
Amritsar.
First Appellate Authority
cum SDM,
Amritsar-2,
Amritsar.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2552 of 2020

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Tirlochan Singh, appellant.
Sh. Shiv Raj Bal, Sub Divisional Magistrate on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 10.5.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 21.6.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 9.9.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the complete information as available on record has been supplied to the appellant and nothing more is available on record which could be supplied to him. The information pertaining to the RTI application has also been received in the Commission through email, which is taken on record. However, the appellant states that he has not received the information.

3. Since the information has been sent to the Commission so the same has been transmitted to the appellant during the course of hearing through whatsapp and after going through the same, the appellant requested for a week's time to make the submissions in this case regarding Point No. 4 & 5 of the RTI application.

4. According to the submissions made by the appellant, he is directed to make the submissions in this case, if any, within seven days.

5. To come up on 23.11.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana /cisco webex.

Dated: 5.11.2020

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Sh. Darshan Singh s/o Sh. Jagtar Singh,
r/o Village Jhugge Fangia,
Tehsil Jalalabad West
District Fazilka.

..Complainant

Vs

Sh. Gurjinder Singh Registered
Public Information Officer –cum-
Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Block Jalalabad,
District fazilka.

Public Information Officer
o/o Addl. Deputy Commissioner (Dev.)
Mini Secretariat,
Fazilka.

Sh. Karan Kataria, A.P.O. Registered
Ms. Pooja, GRS Registered
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,
Block Jalalabad,
District fazilka.

....Respondent

Complaint Case No. 427 of 2020

(Video Conference/cisco webex/phone Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Darshan Singh, appellant.
Ms Pooja, GRS on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 22.10.2020.

2. The appellant states that nothing has been supplied to him with regard to his RTI application as per the compliance of the last orders of the Commission. However, the representative of the respondents states that a letter has been written to the complainant with regard to Point No. 1 of the RTI application to submit in writing that he has filed the complaint of five pages action taken of which has been sought by the complainant. With regard to remaining point No. 4 & 5, the appellant states that the information has already been sent to the complainant through registered post but regarding Point No. 1 & 2 of the RTI application she did not submit any information.

3. A letter bearing No. 1059-60 dated 24.9.2020 has been written to the Block Development and Panchayats Officer and APO (MGNREGA) by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.), Fazilka to attend the hearing and supply the information, which is taken on record. The respondent-PIO is absent without intimation on the one hand and not supplying the complete information on the other. It is also a fact on record that the letter dated 24.9.2020 was written by the Additional Deputy Commissioner (Dev.) Fazilka to the Block Development and Panchayats Officer/APO to attend the hearing personally and supply the information before the next date of hearing. Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceeding was introduced for the convenience of general public and for the government officials. Viewing the attitude in dealing with the RTI application of the complainant, Sh. Gurjinder Singh, Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer,

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Complaint Case No. 427 of 2020

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9855300174, Sh. Karan Kataria, APO Manrega 8427783000 and Ms Pooja, GRS are, thus, issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on them for causing willful delay/denial of the information to the RTI complainant.

4. In addition to the written reply, the respondents are also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. They may take a note that in case they do not file their written reply and do not avail themselves of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that they have nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

5. The respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Jalalabad is also directed to supply the remaining information which is as follows to the complainant before the next date of hearing failing which the disciplinary proceedings will be recommended in this case.

Point No. 1 – In case the fifth page of the complaint is not available on record then submit that the complaint of the appellant consists of four pages and fifth page is not available on record.

Point No.-2 – APO has marked the complaint downward and action taken, if any, be provided else submit that no action has been taken on the said complaint of the appellant.

The complainant is also advised to go through the information pertaining to Point No. 4 & 5 on its receipt and point out deficiency, if any, before the next date of hearing under intimation to the Commission.

6. To come up on 3.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka/cisco webex.

Dated: 5.11.2020

(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

CC

District Development and Panchayats Officer
(By name) Registered
Mini Secretariat,
Fazilka

To ensure compliance of this
order.

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Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o APO, Manrega,
C/o BDPO, Abohar,
Distt Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority
O/o District Development and Panchyat Officer,
Fazilka.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2505 of 2020

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Phone proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.
Mr Gaurav 98550 52520 on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 11.3.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 8.7.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 7.9.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the information has already sent to the appellant. Since, the appellant is absent and a request for adjournment of the case has also been received, therefore, the case is adjourned.

3. Accordingly, the appellant is advised to go through the information on its receipt and point out deficiency, if any, to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission before the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on 9.12.2020 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Fazilka/cisco webex.

Dated: 5.11.2020

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