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Ashok Kumar, s/o Ram Prashad, Radha Ramn Mill, Killi-Chuharchak Road, Ajitwal (Moga).

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o District Manager, Punjab Warehousing Corporation, Moga. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Managing Director, Punjab Warehousing Corporation, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 2788 of 2019

PRESENT: Satinder Pal Singh, Advocate (for the Appellant) 94172-65263 Vikramjeet Garg, APIO-Cum-ASTO (for the Respondent) 88722-54681

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.9.19, 25.10.19, and 13.12.19)

1. The RTI application is dated **20.2.19** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding details of Vishal Rice Mills, Ajitwal</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **1.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **13.12.19**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by APIO-cum-ASTO, Vikramjeet Garg is present. At the last hearing on 13.12.19, this Commission had directed the respondent PIO to bring the original record pertaining to point 4 of the appellant's RTI application to this hearing. However, the respondent has failed to comply with the Commission's directions.

The respondent PIO-cum-DM, Punjab Warehousing Corporation, Moga, Amarjeet Singh Sohal, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing wilful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on 20.2.19.

In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provisio there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the 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*.

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5. Next hearing on 30.3.2020 at 11.00 am.

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Jaswinder Singh,

s/o Surjit Singh, Village Soja, PO Kalemajra, Tehsil Nabha, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Divisional Forest Officer, Patiala. First Appellate Authority, o/o Conservator of Forests, South Circle, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 2802 of 2019

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Paramjit Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 99885-07346

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.9.19, 25.10.19, and 13.12.19)

1. The RTI application is dated **7.3.19** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u>, <u>regarding work allotment and funds utilization etc</u>., as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **1.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **13.12.19**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. At the last hearing on 13.12.19, the Commission had directed the respondent PIO to arrange one final inspection of the requested record on 17.12.19. The respondent PIO, represented at this hearing by Paramjit Singh, clerk, stated that as per the directions of this Commission, the appellant inspected the record and pointed out the pages of which he needed copies. Following this, the PIO in a letter dated 24.1.20 informed the appellant that the photocopying charges would amount to Rs. 1,482.00. However, as per the respondent, the appellant has not deposited the amount requested from him, till date.

3. This Commission would be ordinarily inclined to close this appeal case at this juncture. However, since the appellant is absent, this Commission grants him one final opportunity to deposit the amount requested from him and collect the information from the respondent before the next hearing. Failing that, this appeal case will be disposed of and closed at the next hearing. Next hearing on 30.3.2020 at 11.00 am.

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Kanta Rani,

c/o Ashwani Kumar, s/o Paras Ram, VPO Jarg, Tehsil Payal, District Ludhiana – 141 415

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Tehsildar, Derabassi, District Mohali. First Appellate Authority, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Derabassi, District Mohali.

Appeal Case No. 3643 of 2019

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Chetan Parkash, Clerk (for the Appellant) 83603-73255

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 6.12.19)

1. The RTI application is dated **31.5.19** vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in her RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **27.9.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **6.12.19**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented at this hearing by Chetan Parkash, clerk, from the office of Tehsildar, Derabassi, submitted that as directed by this Commission at the last hearing on 6.12.19, the requested information by way of site map of the property cited in the RTI application, was sent to the appellant vide letter No. 123, dated 23.12.19.

3. There is no further cause for action and this appeal case is herewith **CLOSED**.

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Jasbir Singh,

Village Bholapur, Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3692 of 2019

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 6.12.19)

1. The RTI application is dated **18.6.19** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding his complaint of 30.5.19 to the Commissioner of Police, Ludhiana</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.7.19**, and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **1.10.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **6.12.19**.

2. Both parties are absent. While the appellant is absent without intimation, the respondent PIO was exempted from being present at this hearing. At the last hearing on 6.12.19, the respondent PIO, represented by Head Constable Tarsem Singh had submitted a duly attested copy of the investigation report sought by the appellant in his RTI application. The appellant was asked to collect this at his convenience from the Commission before this hearing. However, neither as he collected the aforesaid information nor have any communication from him.

3. Under the circumstances, this Commission sees no further cause for action and this appeal case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY) State Information Commissioner

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Note: The appellant, Jasbir Singh collected the above mentioned information from the Commission on 7.2.2020.

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Tarjinder Singh,

s/o Late Mohan Singh, # 60, Royal Residency, Sector-127, Chhaju Majra, Mohali – 140 307.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Municipal Council, Kharar – 140 301, District Mohali. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Municipal Council, Kharar – 140 301, District Mohali.

Appeal Case No. 3701 of 2019

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Gurpreet Singh, Building Inspector (for the Respondent) 98149-26881

ORDER: (To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **6.12.19**)

1. The RTI application is dated **29.4.19** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding municipal byelaws etc.</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **1.5.19**, and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **1.10.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **6.12.19**.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation for the second time in succession. The respondent PIO, represented by Gurpeet Singh, Building Inspector, submitted that the information has been sent to the appellant twice, on 26.6.19 and 19.7.19. However, there has since been no communication from the appellant. In view of the appellant's continuing absence from hearing of this appeal case, this Commission is constrained to conclude that he is satisfied with the information furnished to him and is no longer interested in pursuing this case.

3. Under the circumstances, there is no further cause for action and this appeal case is herewith **CLOSED**.

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Manpreet Singh Aulakh, s/o Davinder Singh,

Near Hambran Baipass, Village Kailpur, Ludhiana – 141 101

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, Ludhiana (Rural),Ludhiana. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Deputy Inspector General, Ludhiana Range, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3745 of 2019

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Ajit Singh, Head Constable o/o SHO, PS Dakha (for the Respondent) 70872-79262 Harpreet Singh, ASI o/o Jagraon (for the Respondent) 97798-00315

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **11.12.19**)

1. The RTI application is dated **27.6.19** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information by</u> way of the *roznamcha* of Police Station Dakha from 25.6.19 to 26.6.19; copies of log books for vehicles of the police station; and the CCTV footage between 12:00 and 2:00 pm on 27.6.19. as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on **3.8.19**, and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.10.19** under section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). The case was last heard on **11.12.19**.

2. The appellant is absent for the second time in succession. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Harpreet Singh, from the office of SSP, Jagraon and Head Constable Ajit Singh from Police Station Dakha have, as directed by this Commission, brought the original record pertaining to the roznamcha and log book for the dates cited by the appellant in his RTI application. However, since the appellant is absent, it is difficult to take these proceedings any further.

3. The respondent PIO is directed to have attested copies made of the roznamcha and vehicle log book for the dates mentioned in the RTI application. This must be brought to the Commission at the next hearing. The respondent PIO is also arrange to bring a copy of the CCTV Footage for the duration and dates mentioned in the RTI application on a CD/DVD/Pen Drive, to this Commission.

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Appeal Case No. 3745 of 2019

4. This Commission will take an informed decision on whether the aforesaid information can be supplied to the appellant or not, only after heard him in person. The appellant is therefore, requested to ensure his presence at the next hearing of this appeal case.

5. Next hearing on 30.3.2020 at 11.00 am.

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Manpreet Singh Aulakh, s/o Davinder Singh, Near Hambran Baipass, Village Kailpur, Ludhiana – 141 101

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Station House Officer, Dakha, Ludhiana (Rural),District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Deputy Inspector General, Ludhiana Range,Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3747 of 2019

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Ajit Singh, Head Constable o/o SHO, PS Dakha (for the Respondent) 70872-79262 Harpreet Singh, ASI o/o SSP Jagraon (for the Respondent) 97798-00315

ORDER: (To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **11.12.19**)

1. The RTI application is dated **27.6.19** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> regarding his complaint of **21.11.18** on the Police Helpline; copy of the investigation report with statements recorded; copies of summons issued; and the name of the investigating officer, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **3.8.19**, and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.10.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (RTI Act). The case was last heard on **11.12.19**.

2. The appellant is absent for the 2nd time in succession. The respondent PIO is represented by ASI Harpreet Singh, from the office of SSP Jagraon and Head Constable Ajit Singh from Police Station. The respondents had submitted the requested information to the Commission at the last hearing on 11.12.19, whereon the appellant was informed that he could collect it at his convenience, or alternatively, request to have it sent by Registered Post. There is, however, no communication from the appellant on this. The appellant is requested to ensure his presence at the next hearing, failing which this Commission will be compelled to Close of this appeal case.

3. Next hearing on 30.3.2020 at 11.00 am.

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Satinder Kumar Khera, #524, Sector-7, Panchkula-134109

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o District Collector, Mohali.

Complaint Case No. 707 of 2019

PRESENT:

Satinder Kumar Khera (Complainant) 78373-82058 Dalwinder Singh, Kanugo, O/o Tehsildar, Mohali(for the Respondent) 98765-35879 Chetan Parkash, Clerk, Derabasi (for the Respondent) 83603-73255 Davinder Singh, Senior Assistant, D.C., Mohali (for the Respondent) 82890-63807

ORDER:

(*To be read in continuity with earlier orders on* **23.10.19** *and* **11.12.19**) 1. The complainant, <u>Satinder Kumar Khera</u>, filed this RTI application dated **29.3.18** and sought information from the PIO o/o <u>District Collector, Mohali</u>. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **8.8.19**. The case was last heard on **11.12.19**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO represented by Kanugo Dalwinder Singh from the office of Tehsildar Mohali, Clerk Chetan Parkash, from Derabassi, and Senior Assistant, Davinder Singh from the office of DC Mohali are present.

3. The complainant stated that as ordered by the Commission at the last hearing on 11.12.19, he inspected the record at Mohali where the office Kanugo, Dalwinder Singh had given him the information. However, despite inspection at Derabssi and Kharar, and having pointed out the specific information he required. The concerned officials at Kharar and Derabassi have not yet furnished the information requested by the complainant.

4. This is the third hearing of this complaint case and the Commission takes a very serious view of the fact that the respondent PIO has still not supplied the complete information requested by the complainant. The PIO, office of DC Mohali is given one last opportunity to retrieve the information pertaining to Derabassi and Kharar and supply it to the complainant before the next hearing. Failing this, penal action will be initiated as per the RTI Act, 2005.

4. Next hearing on 27.2.2020 at 11.00 am.

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Sandeep Singh,

s/o Sukhwinder Singh, Navi Abadi, Near Girls School, Tehsil Ajanala, District Amritsar.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Senior Superintendent of Police (Rural), Amritsar.

Complaint Case No. 880 of 2019

PRESENT: (Complainant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 6.12.19)

1. The complainant, **Sandeep Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **20.3.19** and sought **information regarding his complaint against one Mukhtiar Singh etc.**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **1.10.19**. The case was last heard on **6.12.19**.

2. Both parties are absent. The complainant has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing.

3. The respondent PIO-Cum-SHO Police Station Ajnala had submitted a reply to this Commission's order on 6.12.19 (which was received in the Commission today), wherein he has enumerated the action taken on the complainant's complaint against one Mukhtiar Singh, as requested in the RTI application. The complainant can collect this from the Commission at his convenience or alternatively request for it to be sent him by registered post.

4. This Commission grants the complainant one final opportunity to peruse the information and pointed out deficiencies if any before the next hearing.

5. Next hearing on 30.3.2020 at 11.00 am.

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Raj Kaur,

w/o Jaspal Singh, Village Chak Dogran, Tehsil Ajnala, District Amritsar.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Senior Superintendent of Police, (Rural), Amritsar.

Complaint Case No. 870 of 2019

PRESENT: (Complainant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 6.12.19)

1. The complainant, **Raj Kaur**, filed this RTI application dated **16.9.19** and sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding the action taken on her applications to the DSP and SHO Ajnala</u>. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **27.9.19**. The case was last heard on **6.12.19**.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation for the second time in succession. The respondent PIO-cum-SHO-Ajnala sent in a reply, including the action taken on the complainant's application to DSP and SHO Ajnala. These have been taken on file.

3. The complainant can collect this at her convenience from the Commission. This Commission is of the view that this RTI application has been adequately addressed and there is no further cause for action. This complaint case is herewith, **CLOSED**.

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Birsh Bhan,

s/o Sh. Saroop Chand, # 33, Kahangarh Road, Pataran, District Patiala.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Department of Home Affairs and Justice, Punjab, Chandigarh.

Complaint Case No. 882 of 2019

PRESENT: (Complainant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 6.12.19)

1. The complainant, **Birsh Bhan**, filed this RTI application dated **30.4.19** and sought **information by was of the year-wise number of "licensed opium users" in Punjab from** January 2008 to 31.12.19. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on 1.10.19. The case was last heard on 6.12.19.

2. Both parties are absent without intimation for the second time in succession. At the last hearing on 6.12.19 the respondent PIO was directed to file a written reply to the RTI application, which he has failed to comply with.

3. However, in view of the complainant's continuing absence, as also his rather curious information request, which pertains to the "year-wise number of licensed opium users" in Punjab over a ten-year period, this Commission compelled to concluded that the appellant is not interested in pursuing the case, which is herewith, **CLOSED**.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY) State Information Commissioner