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Sh. Ashok Kumar

S/o Late Sh. Sham Lal,
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...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o Senior Superintendent of Police,
Sangrur

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Inspector General of Police,
Patiala Range, Patiala

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3776 Of 2024

Present: Sh. Shivam Goyal, (9653822888) on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Yogesh Kumar, Junior Assistant (9465527589)
Sh. Saurabh Gupta, AFSSO (8968384244)
ASI, Sh. Kuldeep Singh, (8054545411) on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 08.01.2026 and the relevant portion of the same is as follows:

"2. The appellant requested to direct the respondent PIO to supply the complete information. However, the respondent PIO, O/o the SSP, Sangrur, submitted the reply along with the supporting documents, the response of the respondent is as follows:

ਹਵਾਲਾ ਉਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ਾ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ।

2. ਵਿਸ਼ਾ ਉਕਤ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਟਿੰਨਡੈਕਸ ਰਜਿਸਟਰ ਸਾਲ 2011 ਵਾਚਣ ਤੋਂ ਪਾਇਆ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਦਫਤਰ ਜਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਕੰਟਰੋਲਰ, ਖੁਰਾਕ ਸਿਵਲ ਸਪਲਾਈ ਅਤੇ ਖਪਤਕਾਰ ਮਾਮਲੇ, ਸੰਗਰੂਰ ਦੇ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ: ਜਿਖਸਕ-2011/9379 ਮਿਤੀ 14.11.2011 ਅਤੇ ਡਾਇਰੀ ਡਿਸਪੈਂਚ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ: 7763/ਸੀ ਮਿਤੀ 16.11.2011 ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਪੱਤਰ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਵਿਖੇ ਮੌਜੂਦ ਹੋਇਆ ਸੀ, ਜੋ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਪੱਤਰ ਨੰ: 9054/ਪੀ ਅਤੇ ਟੋਕਨ ਨੰ: 57355 ਰਾਹੀਂ ਪੜ੍ਹਤਾਲ ਵਾ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਲਈ ਮੁੱਖ ਅਫਸਰ ਥਾਣਾ ਭਵਾਨੀਗੜ੍ਹ ਨੂੰ ਮਾਰਕ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ, ਜੋ ਪੜ੍ਹਤਾਲ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਮਿਤੀ 02.01.2012 ਨੂੰ ਦਾਖਲ ਦਫਤਰ ਹੋ ਚੁੱਕਾ ਹੈ, ਜਿਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਪੀ ਦੇ ਰਜਿਸਟਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਪੇਜ ਨੰ: 314 ਪਰ ਐਂਟਰੀ ਦਰਜ ਹੈ।

ਇਸਤੋਂ ਇਲਾਵਾ ਸਾਲ 2010, 2011 ਅਤੇ ਸਾਲ 2012 ਦੌਰਾਨ ਮੌਜੂਦ ਹੋਈਆ ਦਰਖਾਸਤਾਂ ਦੇ ਰਿਕਾਰਡ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਦਫਤਰ ਦੇ ਹੁਕਮ ਨੰ: 2003-07/ਪੀ.ਸੀ ਮਿਤੀ 30.03.2016 ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਤਲਫ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂ ਚੁੱਕਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਇਹ ਪੱਤਰ/ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਤਲਫ ਹੋ ਚੁੱਕਾ ਹੈ।

ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਪੇਸ਼ ਹੈ।

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3. *The respondent filed the reply but whether any appropriate procedure with regard to the destruction of record has been adopted or not is not clarified from the submissions of the respondent. As such he is directed to submit the copy of instructions/rules to destruct the record and the procedure adopted for the said destruction be placed on record.*
4. *Since, the matter regarding misplacement of official documents was reported to the police authorities by the DFSC but no written submissions have been received from the said office. In the interest of natural justice, **one opportunity** is also granted to the DFSC, Sangrur to remain present in person on the next date of hearing along with the written submissions with regard to the letter issued to the Police Authority for misplacing the documents.*
5. *To ensure the presence of the concerned officials, a copy of this order is **being sent** to the Administrative Secretary, Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab. It is also clarified that in case of defiance of this order, the presence of the concerned officials will be procured by issuing **BAILABLE WARRANTS** and/or disciplinary action may be recommended in this case to the competent authority.*
6. *The respondent PIO is directed to bring a detailed written reply on the next date of hearing to take the matter to its logical end.*

After the hearing was over, Sh. Yogesh Goyal, Jr. Auditor (9256558030) and Sh. Saurabh Gupta, AFSO (8968384244) appeared and they were apprised with the proceedings of this case.”

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2. The respondent office of Food & Civil Supplies Punjab filed the written submissions and the relevant portion of the same is as follows:

In compliance of the order dated 08.01.2026 of the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner Punjab the reply on behalf of Food Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Department is submitted as under:

That it is submitted that District Controller, Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Sangrur vide letter no. DFSC-2011/9379 dated 14-11-2011 wrote to SSP Sangrur to take appropriate action against Pawan Kumar for theft/lost of important documents from the office files of M/s Bassiarkh Rice Mills, Bijalpur and M/s Akbarpur Rice Mills, Bijalpur. In this regard this office has also written vide letter no. A-18-2018/6314 dated 02-11-2011 (copy attached) to Director, Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab, Chandigarh. Thereafter, CWP No. 21931 of 2011 was filed on 23.11.2011 in the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court which was registered in the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court on 25.11.2011 for the allotment of M/s Bassiarkh Rice Mills Bijalpur (Bhawanigarh) which was disposed off by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court on 29.11.2011. Similarly CWP No. 21926 of 2011 was filed on 23.11.2011 in the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court which was registered in the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court on 25.11.2011 for the allotment of M/s Akbarpur Rice Mills Bijalpur (Bhawanigarh) which was disposed off by the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court on 29.11.2011. Online Status reports of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court are attached. In compliance of order dated 29.11.2011 in the both CWP nos 21931 of 2011 and 21926 of 2011, Director, Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs, Punjab, Chandigarh passed the speaking orders

dated 12.03.2012 regarding the allotment of M/s Bassiarkh Rice Mills Bijalpur (Bhawanigarh) and M/s Akbarpur Rice Mills Bijalpur (Bhawanigarh). Copies of speaking orders dated 12.03.2012 are attached.

Further, the requisite report/ action taken report was awaited by this office from the office of SSP Sangrur but as per the Diary Seat record at Circle Office, Sangrur (copy attached), no requisite report/ action taken report was received in this office from the office of SSP, Sangrur.

That the undersigned has made bonafide efforts to check record of this office to trace whether any requisite report/ action taken report was received in this office from office of SSP, Sangrur but as per the record no requisite report/ action taken report was received in this office from the office of SSP, Sangrur. Further, in absence of any action taken report from the office of SSP, Sangrur the answering respondent cannot supply any information regarding the action taken report by the office of SSP, Sangrur.

In view of the above it is most respectfully prayed that the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, Punjab may be pleased to take on record the present reply of the undersigned and hold that the answering respondent has furnished all the information available as per record in the interest of justice.

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3. Also, the written response regarding the letter issued by Food and Civil Supplies Department has been filed by the office of SSP, according to whom the said file has already been destructed. The relevant portion of the said response submitted by the respondent is mentioned herein.

4. It is an astonished fact that the respondent destructed the record and no FIR/DDR is said to be lodged with regard to the missing record. Also the food and Civil Supplies department has not initiated any action after the misplacing the documents, therefore, a copy of this order is being sent to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur and is apprised about the situation. In the prevailing circumstances, the SSP, Sangrur is directed to send the competent officer/official along with the written submissions whether any DDR/FIR was logged in this case or not.

5. Also, **an opportunity** is given to the respondent PIO-cum-District Controller, O/o Food & Civil Supplies to file an affidavit, duly sworn with regard to the submissions already made along with the specific undertaking that no action was taken thereafter the misplacement of record conveyed to the Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur.

He is also directed to remain present, in person, on the next date of hearing, failing which his presence will be procured by issuing '**Bailable Warrants**' through Senior Superintendent of Police, Sangrur and/or disciplinary action may be recommended to the competent authority.

6. To come up on **21.05.2026 at 11:30 A. M. at Chandigarh.**

Dated: 02.04.2026

(Inderpal Singh)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.

CC:

Administrative Secretary (By name)

Department of Food, Civil Supplies
And Consumer Affairs, Punjab
Anaj Bhawan, Sector-39 C,
Chandigarh

Senior Superintendent of Police,
Sangrur

District Controller (by name)

Food & Civil Supplies,
Sangrur