

#### CHANDIGARH POLICE

# OFFICE OF THE SENIOR SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE-CUM-1<sup>st</sup> APPELLATE AUTHORITY (UNDER RTI ACT 2005), UT, CHANDIGARH.

. Appeal Order No. D - 104-106 /UT/RTI/SSP, dated: 02 03 2023

Name of Appellant : Sh. Rajinder Bhatia, Advocate, Chamber No. 68,

R/o New Judicial Courts Complex, Nakodar,

Jalandhar Mob. 70098-12484

Concerned CPIO : CPIO/South

Date of RTI application : 17.12.2022

Reply of CPIO : 17.01.2023

Date of 1<sup>st</sup> Appeal : 13.02.2023

## **ORDER**

The appellant has preferred 1<sup>st</sup> appeal dated 13.02.2023 against the disposal of his RTI application dated 17.12.2022 by CPIO/South with the contentions that CPIO incorrectly denied the information to him.

## Information sought vide RTI application :-

The appellant vide his RTI application dated 17.12.2022 had sought information on 05 points regarding a news published in various newspapers in the month of July, 2022 in connection with a search operation conducted in Sector 63, Chandigarh and the tenants/paying guests so searched were brought to PS Sector 49, Chandigarh. He has sought the details, names, addresses of flat owners, flat numbers, category of flat, Copy of Challans made u/s 188 IPC or any other legal action, copy of letters, circulars, notifications etc. issued regarding verification of tenants/paying guests etc.

#### COMMENTS OF CPIO/South :-

CPIO/South vide his comments submitted that RTI application of the appellant was received in his office through CAPIO/PHQ-cum-I/C Public Window vide No. 1121/RTI/CAPIO/PHQ/UT/PWS dated 21.12.2022 and the same was sent to SHO PS Sector 49, Chandigarh for supplying requisite information. After obtaining requisite information from SHO PS Sector 49, requisite information w.r.t. point nos. 1 & 2 was denied u/s 8(1)(j) of RTI act being personal information of flat owners. Regarding point no. 3, appellant was informed that no case has been registered u/s 188 IPC regarding violations during tenant/paying guest search operation and with respect to point no. 04, copy of orders/notification issued by District Magistrate, UT Chandigarh was supplied to him. Regarding point no. 05, designation of 1st Appellate Authority and official address is provided for filling 1st appeal under RTI Act. This entire information was supplied to the appellant vide letter No. 401/22/CPIO/South/UT dated 17.01.2023. CPIO/South further submitted that available information has already been provided to the appellant.

### **DECISION:-**

I have gone through the contents of RTI application, appeal of the appellant, comments of CPIO/South vis-à-vis material available on record which revealed that the appellant has information on 05 points regarding a news published in various newspapers in the month of July, 2022 in connection with a search operation conducted in Sector 63, Chandigarh and the tenants/paying guests so searched were brought to PS Sector 49, Chandigarh. He has sought the details, names, addresses of flat owners, flat numbers, category of flat, Copy of Challans made u/s 188 IPC or any other legal action, copy of letters, circulars, notifications etc. issued regarding verification of tenants/paying guests etc.

In reply, CPIO/South denied the requisite information w.r.t. point nos. 1 & 2 as per section 8(1)(j) of RTI act being personal information of flat owners. Regarding point no. 3, appellant was informed that no case has been registered u/s 188 IPC regarding violations during tenant/paying guest search operation and with respect to point no. 04, copy of orders/notification issued by District Magistrate, UT Chandigarh was supplied to him. Regarding point no. 05, designation of 1<sup>st</sup> Appellate Authority and official address is provided for filing 1<sup>st</sup> appeal under RTI Act.

In view of above it is clear that available information has already been supplied by CPIO to the appellant and no larger interest is found to be served in disclosing the personal information/details of large number of flat owners from whom flats, tenants/paying guests were searched by police personnel. Hence, no more action is required to be taken on the instant appeal, the same is hereby filed accordingly.

In case, the appellant is not satisfied with the disposal of his appeal, he can file second appeal before the Hon'ble CIC, CIC Bhawan, Baba Gangnath Marg, Munirka, New Delhi-110067 under the RTI Act within 90 days.

(Manisha Choudhary, IPS)
Senior Superintendent of Police
Union Territory, Chandigarh-cum1<sup>st</sup> Appellate Authority.

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1 CPIO/South

2 Computer Section.