

(116) IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

LPA-150-2022 in
CWP-24639-2021
Date of decision: 23.02.2022

Ravinder Kumar

... Appellant in person

Versus

State Information Commission & others

...Respondents

**CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH
HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE JASJIT SINGH BEDI**

Present: Mr. Ravinder Kumar, appellant in person.

JASJIT SINGH BEDI, J.

The prayer in this LPA is to set aside the judgment dated 10.02.2022 passed by the learned Single Judge of this Court, with a further prayer that respondent No.1 be directed to initiate contempt proceedings under Section 20(2) of the RTI, Act against respondent Nos.2 and 3 for not complying with the order dated 22.12.2020 passed by respondent No.1 in Complaint No.650/2020 filed under Section 18 of RTI Act, 2005.

2. The brief facts of the case are that the appellant/petitioner filed a Consumer Complaint No.CC/222/2018 titled as 'Ravinder Kumar & Another Vs. Kamal Arora and Another', before the District Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (hereinafter referred to as "DCDRC), Jhajjar, which was disposed of on 27.09.2019. Aggrieved against the said order, the appellant filed a review application under Section 41 of the Consumer

Protection Act. Thereafter, he again filed another complaint dated 05.11.2020 titled as 'Ravinder Kumar & Another and H.L. City & Another' and stated that despite providing his e-mail ID and mobile number, the respondents have not provided any information to him. He has contended that the certified copy of the orders passed in the above-mentioned complaint and application, were not supplied to him.

3. The case of the appellant further is that though the opposite party had also filed an Appeal No.A/1071/2019 before SCDRC, Haryana and the SCDRC issued notice for 19.05.2020, yet the copy of the appeal was not supplied to him. He further referred to various documents and communications in the writ petition to contend that despite approaching the authorities number of times, either no information was provided or half-baked information or incomplete documents of Appeal No.A/1071/2019 was provided. He, thus, filed the Civil Writ Petition praying for the issuance of an appropriate writ, order or direction especially in the nature of mandamus directing respondent No.1-The State Information Commission, Haryana to initiate penalty proceedings against the President, SCDRC, Haryana for not complying with the order dated 22.12.2020 passed in Complaint No.650/2020 filed under Section 18 read with Section 20 of RTI Act, 2005 (Annexure P-8 & P-14). A further prayer was made to set aside the order dated 22.12.2020 passed by respondent No.1-State Information Commission, Haryana in the said complaint case and also pass exemplary orders against respondent Nos.2 and 3 for not providing complete information to the petitioner, as also not hearing the appeals.

4. The learned Single Judge passed the impugned judgment dated 10.02.2022 which is under challenge before us.
5. The prayer of the appellant in this LPA is that action should be taken against the President, SCDRC for not complying with the order dated 22.12.2020 (Annexure P-8) and to set aside the said orders and to take exemplary action against respondent Nos.2 and 3.
6. We have heard the appellant in person at length.
7. The entire grievance of the appellant stems from the purported non-supply of information/documents pertaining to the appellant's own case including the cross-appeal filed by the opposite party before the SCDRC, Haryana. The learned Single Judge has therefore, rightly observed that the appellant could approach the SCDRC, Haryana where all the records of the cases are available to seek certified copies of the documents, if he so desires.
8. Therefore, we see no infirmity in the order passed by the learned Single Judge and thus, no interference is called for by this Court.
9. Hence, this LPA is hereby dismissed.

**(AUGUSTINE GEORGE MASIH)
JUDGE**

**(JASJIT SINGH BEDI)
JUDGE**

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Whether speaking/reasoned:- Yes/No

Whether reportable:- Yes/No