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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Raminder Mohan,
S/o Late Hardial Singh,
12-C, Model Town Extension,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA)
PUDA Complex, Near Rajguru Nagar,
Ferozepur Road,
Ludhiana – 141 001.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA)
PUDA Complex, Near Rajguru Nagar,
Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana – 141 001

Appeal Case No. 1618 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Raminder Mohan Singh (Appellant) 94176-00677
Narinder Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98038-14780

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 9.9.2020, 17.12.2020, 12.2.2021, 30.9.2021, and 2.11.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **7.2.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the action taken against the Ganpati industrial colonies in villages Tibba and Umaidpur**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **19.3.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **18.6.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **2.11.2021**.

2. Both parties are present. As directed at the last hearing on 2.11.2021, the respondent PIO has submitted a reply along with attested copies of some documents by way of information. However, in a written submission on 12.3.2022, the appellant has pointed out several discrepancies in the information provided to him. He has also pointed to the fact that most of the documents provided as information are not readable. This RTI application was submitted on 7.2.2020 and has been inordinately delayed.

3. In view of this, the Commission deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO with this Show Cause Notice.

4. The respondent PIO-cum-Estate Officer, Sh. Preetinder Singh Bains, PCS, 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 willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **7.2.2020**.

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“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision 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*.” Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

5. The respondent PIO is further directed to submit a written, pointwise reply to all 8 points of the RTI application and furnish duly attested copies of all the requested information, including the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant, within 15 days of receipt of this Order. A copy of the reply and information are also to be submitted to this Commission.

6. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

7. Next hearing on 29.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

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Cc: Chief Administrator,
Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA),
Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Rohit Sabharwal,

S/o Vijay Sabharwal,
Kundan Bhawan, 126 Model Gram,
Ludhiana – 141 002

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Regional Office-3 and 4, Savitri Complex,
C/o Dada Motors, 3rd Floor, Near Dholewal Chowk,
Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer,

o/o Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Regional Office 1 and 2,
E-648 B, Backside CICU office,
Focal Point Phase-5,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Chairman,
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Nabha Road, Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 1634 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Rozert Dhamija, SDO from RO 1 (for the Respondent) 70873-00296

Varinderjit Singh, SDO from RO 3 (for the Respondent) 70873-00287

Harpreet Singh, SDO from R 4 (for the Respondent) 70873-00297

Amandeep Singh, SDO from RO 2 (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 9.9.2020, 17.12.2020, 12.2.2021, 30.9.2021, and 2.11.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **8.1.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding **a letter from the Assistant Secretary & Scientist D, CPCB, New Delhi (No. B-12015/60/2019-AS/9062, dated 20.11.2019), which was forwarded by the Member Secretary, PPCB, Patiala,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.2.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.6.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **2.11.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent. The respondent PIOs have submitted replies following this Commission's Order of 2.11.2021. However, the replies do not address to the queries raised at para no. 3 of this Commission's Order of 2.11.2021.

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Appeal Case No. 1634 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

3. The respondent PIOs for all the four Regional Offices are hereby directed to submit separate affidavits, duly notarized by a Notary Public regarding the status of the appellant's original complaint to the Minister of Environment and Forest, Government of India, New Delhi.

4. Next hearing on 29.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Rakesh Kumar Gaur,
S/o Sh. Shanti Saroop,
1043/1, Street No. 9,
Vishkarma Colony, Basti Jodhewal,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o House Tax Branch, Zone A,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana

Public Information Officer,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Complaint Case No. 1172 of 2021(Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Rakesh Kumar Gaur (Complainant) 73407-15448
Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector from Zone-A (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 21.12.2021)

1. The complainant, **Rakesh Kumar Gaur**, filed this RTI application dated **7.4.2021** and sought information **regarding a property bearing the old number: B-IV-756 (new number: B-V-100) situated at Waitganj, Ludhiana,** from the PIO o/o **Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **23.9.2021**. The case was last heard on **21.12.2021**.

2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 21.12.2021, the respondent PIO represented by Gurpreet Kaur, APIO-cum-Building Inspector, was advised to meet with the complainant to seek his assistance in identifying the building cited in the RTI application in order to try and locate the requested record. As per submission by the respondent PIO vide No. 906 Dated 21.1.2022, the complainant had met with the respondent PIO and has requested that his RTI application be transferred to the PIO, House Tax Branch, Zone A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

3. In view of this, the respondent PIO, Building Branch, Zone A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, is herewith directed to immediately transfer this RTI application and Second Appeal to the PIO, House Tax Branch, Zone A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana. The PIO, House Tax Branch, Zone A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, is hereby directed to submit a written reply along with the requested information forthwith.

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Complaint Case No. 1172 of 2021(Video Conference Proceedings)

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

5. **Next hearing on 29.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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REGISTERED

Amarjit Singh Dhamotia,
S/o Sh. Rai Singh,
60-35-P-330, Street No. 8,
Maha Singh Nagar, Post Office-Dhandari Kalan,
Ludhiana – 141 014

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Secretary, Market Committee,
Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority-cum-
o/o Secretary, Market Committee,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 720 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Amarjit Singh Dhamotia (Appellant) 98884-90031
Kamalpreet Singh, Mandi Supervisor (for the Respondent) 99880-05210

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 13.10.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **9.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding licensees, commission of auction, I form, J form, sale record service record of employees working in market committee etc.,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **9.11.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **29.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005. The case was last heard on **13.10.2021**.

2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 13.10.2021, a copy of the PIO's reply to the appellant and the appended information was to be sent to the appellant by registered post. This has still not been done. The reply and information be sent to the appellant forthwith.

3. **Next hearing on 1.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

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Encl: Reply/information received from the Respondent PIO.

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Gurmej Lal,

S/o Sh. Baldev Raj Sharma,
6375, Street No.16,

Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Backside Bachan Gas Agency, Near Mair Di Chakki,
Post Office-Daba, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 4016 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (Appellant) 97816-72776

Vishal Kumar, Clerk from Zone D (for the Respondent) 96461-56800

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.3.2021 and 13.10.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **18.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding banks in the jurisdiction of Zone, A, B, C and D,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **15.10.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **19.10.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **13.10.2021**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Vishal Kumar, Clerk from Zone B, House Tax Branch, states that the PIO-cum-Superintendent, who attended the last hearing on 13.10.2020, is ill and requests some more time to submit the reply/information. This case will now be heard at the next hearing.

3. **Next hearing on 1.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Backside Bachan Gas Agency,
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Post Office-Daba, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Assistant Town Planner, Zone-B,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 709 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (Appellant) 97816-72776

Harjeet Singh, Building Inspector from Zone B (for the Respondent) 84272-26451

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 13.10.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **4.11.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Harjeet Singh, Building Inspector**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.12.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **29.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005. The case was last heard on **13.10.2021**

2. Both parties are present. As directed at the last hearing, the respondent PIO arranged for an inspection of the record on 9.11.2021 and as per his letter No. 1485 Dated 12.5.2022, 86 copies of assessment sheets were to be provided to the appellant, which as per the appellant still not been provided.

3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to supply duly attested copies of the said assessment sheets to the appellant by hand before the end of working hours tomorrow i.e. Thursday 13.5.2022.

4. In view of the respondent PIOs conduct the Commission deems it fit to issue him with this Show Cause Notice.

5. The respondent PIO-cum-ATP, Sh. Kuljeet Singh Mangat 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 willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **4.11.2020**.

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Appeal Case No. 709 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision 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*.” Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

6. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

7. Next hearing on 1.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

**Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)**

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Cc: Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Post Office Daba, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 714 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (Appellant) 97816-72776

Harjeet Singh, Building Inspector from Zone B (for the Respondent) 84272-26451

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 13.10.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **4.11.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding 8-G receipt books issued to Rajbir Kaur and Harjeet Singh Zone D and assessment sheets etc.,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.12.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **29.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005. The case was last heard on **13.10.2021**.

2. Both parties are present. As directed at the last hearing, the respondent PIO arranged for an inspection of the record on 9.11.2021 and as per his letter no. 1484 Dated 12.5.2022, copies of assessment sheets were to be provided to the appellant, which have still not been provided.

3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to supply duly attested copies of the said assessment sheets to the appellant by hand before the end of working hours tomorrow i.e. Thursday 13.5.2022.

4. In view of the respondent PIO's conduct, the Commission deems it fit to issue him with this Show Cause Notice.

5. The respondent PIO-cum-ATP, Madanjeet Bedi 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 willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **4.11.2020**.

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Appeal Case No. 714 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

“In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision 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*.” Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

6. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005

Signature of the PIO

Name of the PIO

Name of the Public Authority

Date

7. Next hearing on 1.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

12.5.2022

Cc: Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Superintendent Headquarters,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 4023 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Vishal Kumar, Clerk from Zone D, House Tax Branch (for the Respondent) 96461-56800

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.3.2021 and 18.10.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **18.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Hospitals in the jurisdiction of Zones A, B, C and D,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **19.10.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **14.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **13.10.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent. The respondent PIO, represented by Vishal Kumar, Clerk from Zone B, House Tax Branch, states that the PIO-cum-Superintendent who attended the last hearing on 13.10.2020, is ill and requests some more time to submit a reply/information. This case will now be heard at the next hearing.

3. **Next hearing on 16.11.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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P.O-Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana – 141 014

Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Assistant Town Planner, Zone-B,
o/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 703 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Harjeet Singh, Building Inspector from Zone B (for the Respondent) 84272-24451

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 13.10.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **4.11.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding assessment sheets by Building Inspector Harjeet Singh**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.12.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **29.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act 2005. The case was last heard on **13.10.2021**

2. The appellant is absent. As per the respondent PIO represented by Harjeet Singh, Building Inspector from Zone B, the appellant's representatives carried out an inspection of the record on 9.11.2021 and identified 130 assessment sheets. Duly attested copies of the same be provided to the appellant before the next hearing of this Appeal Case.

3. **Next hearing on 16.11.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

12.5.2022