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Shri H.S. Hundal, Advocate,
#203, District Courts,
Sector-76, Mohali-160071.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Greater Ludhiana Area
Development Authority (GLADA),
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Administrator,
Greater Ludhiana Area
Development Authority (GLADA),
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2176 of 2021

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk O/o GLADA, Ludhiana, in person
on behalf of the PIO/Respondent,**

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 14.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri H.S. Hundal, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex. He has, however, sent an e.mail dated 19.09.2022 stating that he has not received information after removal of deficiencies.
3. Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk O/o GLADA, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in person on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 10.12.2021 by registered post which covers all the issues as pointed out by the appellant.
4. As the appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is made to talk to the representative of PIO who explains to him the position regarding deficiencies pointed out. Then the Bench talks to the appellant and he expresses his dis-satisfaction over the reply of representative of PIO. On the asking of the Bench, if he could visit the office of PIO for inspection of records, he requests that the relevant record be directed to be brought along and produced before the Bench to enable him to inspect the records during the next hearing.

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5. Acceding to the request of appellant, the Bench directs the PIO to remove deficiencies as pointed out by the appellant and ensure to come present in person, bringing along the entire relevant record and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.10.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Chandigarh
20.09.2022**

**Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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Shri Surinder Kumar,
S/o Shri Hakam Rai,
R/o #1869/92, Kila Mohalla,
Daresi Road, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Greater Ludhiana Area Development
Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Chief Administrator,
Greater Ludhiana Area Development
Authority (GLADA),
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

AC No.4752/2021

Present: (i) **Shri Surinder Kumar, the Appellant, in person.**
(ii) **Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk O/o GLADA, Ludhiana, on behalf of the
PIO/Respondent- in person.**

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Surinder Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has not been supplied any information so far.
3. Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk O/o GLADA, Ludhiana, comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that reply to RTI application has been given to the appellant vide letter dated 04.05.2022 and a copy of the lay out plan with regard to colony Sarman enclave has also been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 28.06.2022 by registered post. He further states that the said colony has not yet been regularized though the coloniser has applied for regularization as per Govt. Policy.
4. The appellant denies receipt of any reply. He is handed over a copy of reply by the representative of PIO in the court itself. On perusal of the same, the appellant expresses his dis-satisfaction over the reply and returns the letter to the representative of PIO.
5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The information as is identified by the appellant be provided to him before the next hearing. The PIO is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice.
6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Shri Kuldip Singh Walia
S/o Late Shri Harjit Singh
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Moh-1, Airport Road PR-7,Chhatt,
Zirakpur, District S.A.S.Nagar(Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Principal Secretary,
Department of Local Govt.,
Punjab, Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer/

Superintendent, Local Govt.-3 Branch,
Department of Local Government,
Punjab, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Principal Secretary,
Department of Local Govt.,
Punjab, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.3297 of 2022

**Present: (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Shri Gurpreet Singh, Building Inspector, Town Planning Wing
O/o Director, Local Government, Punjab, on behalf of the
PIO/Respondent- in person.**

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 08.10.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 10.05.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 15.07.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 20.09.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. The appellant Shri Kuldip Singh Walia has not come present in person or through cisco webex. He has, however, sent an e.mail dated 18.09.2022 stating that the PIO has not provided him the required information.

3. Shri Gurpreet Singh, Building Inspector, Town Planning Wing O/o Director, Local Government, Punjab comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He produces before the Bench letter dated 08.09.2022 stating therein that the RTI application has been transferred to

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Superintendent, Local Govt.-3 Branch, Department of Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh, as the matter relates to property tax.

4. As per letter dated 08.09.2022 referred to above, the Superintendent, Local Govt.-3 Branch, Department of Local Government, Punjab, Chandigarh, is impleaded as Respondent No.2. He is directed to supply requisite information to the appellant before the next hearing as also ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 26.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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20.09.2022**

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Shri Balbir Aggarwal
R/o #1525/1, Street 33,
Preet Nagar,Shimlapuri,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o GLADA,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o GLADA
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.3276 of 2022

Present: (i) **Shri Gulshan Kumar, on behalf of the Appellant- in person.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent**

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 25.04.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 26.08.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.07.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 20.09.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Gulshan Kumar comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench on behalf of the appellant and also produces before the Bench authority letter dated 20.09.2022 to represent the appellant before the Bench.

3. Neither the PIO O/o GLADA,Ludhiana has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing on his behalf. The PIO has absented himself in spite of registered notice sent by the Commission and has also not provided information to the appellant. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.

4. The PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and for not supplying requisite information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

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5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.

6. The PIO is directed to supply requisite information to the appellant before the next hearing as also ensure to come present in person before the Bench, failing which, the Bench will be constrained to issue bailable warrant to ensure his presence before the Bench.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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