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Sh. Gurmej Lal, Whistle Blower,
H.No.6375, St. No.16, Guru Gobind Singh Nagar,
Backside Bachan Gas Agency, Near Mair Di Chakki,
P.O:Daba, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1178 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) Sh. Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-cum-APIO on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 30.12.2019 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 31.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant has authorized Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia to appear on his behalf for today's hearing. The representative of the appellant states that till date, no information has been provided.
4. Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-cum-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO highlighted that the RTI application of the appellant is lengthy addressing numerous issues. Information asked for is available on their official website i.e. www.mcludhiana.gov.in.
5. Since the information sought is voluminous, the appellant is advised to visit the office of the respondent on any working day with prior notice to the PIO. The respondent is directed to

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provide access to records in his office and give copies of documents needed. Fifty pages are to be given, free of cost, additional pages to be provided at the cost of two rupees per page. The respondent is also directed to explain to the appellant how to access and download the information from link of the official website.

7. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information sought in AC No.1178/2020 is available on the website of the Municipal Corporation Ludhiana in Link www.mcludhiana.gov.in. The website stands updated upto June, 2020. The appellant has been explained how to access the website and download the required information. He has also been provided to access to official documents. The statement is correct and authentic. Nothing has been concealed therein.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned partis.

**Chandigarh
24.06.2020**

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First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1184 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) Sh. Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) None on behalf of the respondent-PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 14.12.2019 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 17.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant has authorized Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia to appear on his behalf for today's hearing. The representative of the appellant states that till date, no information has been provided.
4. Neither the PIO comes present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed anybody to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO, M.C. Ludhiana nor any intimation has been received in this regard. The Bench takes serious note of the absence of PIO
5. Smt. Monika Anand, Municipal Town Planner-cum-PIO O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain her absence and to explain as to why action should not be taken against her and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the

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instant case for not supplying the information to the appellant. She 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.

6. In addition to file a written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. She may take note that in case she does not file the written reply and does not avail herself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that she has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against her ex-parte. The PIO is directed to come in person on the next hearing.

7. The PIO is now directed to call the appellant in the office on any working. The appellant will be allowed to peruse the relevant record and identify information as per his RTI application. Photocopy of information so identified be provided to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1184/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1183 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) Sh. Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) None on behalf of the respondent-PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 14.12.2019 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 17.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant has authorized Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia to appear on his behalf for today's hearing. The representative of the appellant states that till date, no information has been provided.
4. Neither the PIO comes present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed anybody to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO, M.C. Ludhiana nor any intimation has been received in this regard. The Bench takes serious note of the absence of PIO
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instant case for not supplying the information to the appellant. She 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.

6. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. She may take note that in case she does not file the written reply and does not avail herself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that she has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against her ex-parte. The PIO is directed to come in person on the next hearing.

7. The PIO is now directed to call the appellant in the office on any working. The appellant will be allowed to peruse the relevant record and identify information as per his RTI application. Photocopy of information so identified be provided to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1183/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Street No.8, Maha Singh Nagar,
P.O: Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

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

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1182 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) Sh. Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) None on behalf of the respondent-PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 23.12.2019 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 24.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant has authorized Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia to appear on his behalf for today's hearing. The representative of the appellant states that till date, no information has been provided.
4. Neither the PIO comes present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed anybody to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO, M.C. Ludhiana nor any intimation has been received in this regard. The Bench takes serious note of the absence of PIO
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instant case for not supplying the information to the appellant. She 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.

6. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. She may take note that in case she does not file the written reply and does not avail herself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that she has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against her ex-parte. The PIO is directed to come in person on the next hearing.

7. The PIO is now directed to call the appellant in the office on any working. The appellant will be allowed to peruse the relevant record and identify information as per his RTI application. Photocopy of information so identified be provided to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1182/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1181 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) Sh. Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO, on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 30.12.2019 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 31.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant has authorized Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia to appear on his behalf for today's hearing. The representative of the appellant states that only partial information has been provided to the appellant.
4. Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that information as per official records has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 18.03.2020 by speed post.
5. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of the appellant states that he is not satisfied with the reply.

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6. The PIO is now directed to call the appellant in the office on any working. The appellant will be allowed to peruse the relevant record and identify information as per his RTI application. Photocopy of information so identified be provided to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1181/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Backside Green Land School,
Near Jalandhar by Pass, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

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O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Zone-A,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1119 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 29.11.2018 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 31.12.2018 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant is absent for today's hearing.
4. Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that information which was available in their official records, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 21.01.2019 and 23.06.2020.
5. The Bench observes that RTI Application is dated 29.11.2018 and the office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana has taken nearly one and half year to supply the information to the appellant . The office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana has chosen to remain silent for almost one and half year in utter disregard to the provisions

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under the RTI Act in this respect. The Bench expresses its concern over such type of functioning of the office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana.

5. The PIO O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying the 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.

6. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a 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 proceeding against him ex-parte. The PIO is directed to come in person on the next date of hearing.

7. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1119/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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...Appellant

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Municipal Corporation, Zone-A,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1118 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 18.10.2019 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 23.11.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant is absent for today's hearing.
4. Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that information which was available in their official records, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 23.06.2020 by speed post.
5. One more opportunity is now being given to the appellant to appear in person through V.C, failing which decision on outcome of hearing will be taken in absentia based on documents on file. He is also advised to revert back to the PIO if any issues/short comings related to information provided by the PIO are noticed.

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6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1118/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1121 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 18.10.2019 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 27.11.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant is absent for today's hearing.
4. Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that information which was available in their official records, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 23.06.2020 by speed post.
5. One more opportunity is now being given to the appellant to appear in person through V.C, failing which decision on outcome of hearing will be taken in absentia based on documents on file. He is also advised to revert back to the PIO if any issues/short comings related to information provided by the PIO are noticed.

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6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1121/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1122 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 28.12.2018 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 08.03.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant is absent for today's hearing.
4. Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that information which was available in their official records, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 05.04.2019 by registered post.
5. The Bench observes that RTI Application is dated 28.12.2018 and the office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana has taken nearly one and half year to supply the information to the appellant . The office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana has chosen to remain silent for almost one and half year in utter disregard to the provisions under the RTI

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Act in this respect. The Bench expresses its concern over such type of functioning of the office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

5. The PIO O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying the 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.

6. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a 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 proceeding against him ex-parte. The PIO is directed to come in person on the next date of hearing.

7. The PIO is now directed to call the appellant in the office on any working. The appellant will be allowed to peruse the relevant record and identify additional information as per his RTI application. Photocopy of information so identified be provided to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1122/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sh. Jagjit Singh,
R/o Aman Nagar, St. NO.3,
Backside Green Land School,
Near Jalandhar by Pass, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Zone-A,
Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1123 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 20.05.2019 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 18.07.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant is absent for today's hearing.
4. Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that information which was available in their official records, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 23.06.2020 by speed post.
5. One more opportunity is now being given to the appellant to appear in person through V.C, failing which decision on outcome of hearing will be taken in absentia based on documents on file. He is also advised to revert back to the PIO if any issues/short comings related to information provided by the PIO are noticed.

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6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1123/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Near Jalandhar by Pass, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

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

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1124 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 29.10.2019 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 06.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant is absent for today's hearing.
4. Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that information which was available in their official records, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 06.02.2020 by speed post.
5. One more opportunity is now being given to the appellant to appear in person through V.C, failing which decision on outcome of hearing will be taken in absentia based on documents on file. He is also advised to revert back to the PIO if any issues/short comings related to information provided by the PIO are noticed.

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6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1124/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sh. Gurpreet Singh Lapran,
VPO:Lapran, Tehsil:Payal,
Distt:Ludhiana.

...Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Doraha, Distt:Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 273 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) Sh. Gurpreet Singh Lapran, the complainant.
(ii) Sh. Jagpal Singh, SDO-cum-APIO on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 03.01.2020 and the complaint was filed in the Commission on 23.03.2020 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The complainant states that till date no information has been provided to him.
4. Sh. Jagpal Singh, SDO-cum-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that information has already been sent to the complainant vide letter dated 22.05.2020 with a copy to the Commission. The complainant denies to have received any reply.
5. The APIO hands over copy of response to the complainant during the hearing. The APIO explains the reply and complainant is given time to examine the documents provided. The complainant thereafter expresses satisfaction at the reply and asks for closure of the case.
6. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the instant Complaint Case, which is hereby, **disposed off and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sh. Rohit Sabharwal, President,
Kundan Bhawan, 126, Model Gram,
Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1148 of 2020

PRESENT : None of the parties.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 10.10.2019 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 14.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Today, neither the Appellant nor the PIO or anybody on his behalf has appeared for the hearing.
4. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill,
H.No.60-35, P-376-1,
Street No.8, Maha Singh Nagar,
P.O: Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1179 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) Sh. Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Arshdeep Singh, SDO-cum-APIO, on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 23.12.2019 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 24.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant has authorized Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia to appear on his behalf for today's hearing. The representative of the appellant states that till date, no information has been provided.
4. Sh. Arshdeep Singh, SDO-cum-APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that during the period in which the information has been sought, no PIO and APIO was deputed and were transferred from time to time. This statement was viewed adversely by the Bench. The department was advised to take RTI issues seriously and have proper checks and balances in place.
5. The PIO is now directed to call the appellant in the office on any working. The appellant will be allowed to peruse the relevant record and identify information as per his RTI

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application. Photocopy of information so identified be provided to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1179/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sh. Trilochan Singh,
H.No.848-A, MIG, Jamalpur,
Colony, Dist:Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb,
Chandigarh.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1226 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) None is present on behalf of the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Gural Singh, APIO on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 15.02.2020 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 23.02.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 11.05.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the appellant for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana and the respondent was directed to appear before the Commission.
3. The appellant is absent. However, intimation has been received in the Commission by email stating that no information has been given to him by the PIO.
4. Sh. Gural Singh, APIO is appearing on behalf of the PIO today in the Commission and files reply to the Notice of the Commission mentioning therein that the information is being denied as it is related to third party which is exempted under Section 8(1)(J) of the RTI Act and the information asked for is in question form.
5. The Bench agrees with the contention of the respondent and finds that no larger public activity or interest is served by providing personal information of the Government employees to the appellant. The information has been correctly denied.
6. In view of the above, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sh. Kamaljit Singh,
395-L. Model Town,
Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Zone-C
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Deputy Director,
Local Govt., Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1185 of 2020

PRESENT : (i) Sh. Kamaljit Singh, the appellant.
(ii) Sh. Gurjit Singh, Jr. Drafts Man on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. The RTI application is dated 17.12.2019 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 23.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the appellant for 24.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant states that till date no information has been given to him by the PIO.
4. Sh. Gurjit Singh, Jr. Drafts Man is appearing on behalf of the PIO states that the information which was available on their official records has been provided to the appellant.
5. The PIO is now directed to call the appellant in the office on any working. The appellant will be allowed to peruse the relevant record and identify information as per his RTI application. Photocopy of information so identified be provided to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1185/2020 as available in official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic.

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8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.08.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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