

# PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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## FINAL ORDER

**Sh. Tejinder Singh,**  
Civil Courts, Tehsil Complex,  
Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Municipal Corporation,  
Amritsar – 143 001  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation,  
Amritsar – 143 001

### Appeal Case No. 3538 of 2021

PRESENT:

Tejinder Singh (Appellant) 90410-04313  
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with orders dated 4.7.2022, 1.11.2022, 30.5.2023, 6.7.2023, 29.8.2023, 31.10.2023, and 27.2.2024)*

1. The RTI application is dated **9.4.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding:

- 1) ਇਹ ਕਿ ਹਲਕਾ ਦੱਖਣੀ ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਸਰ ਵਿਚ ਜੋ ਕਮਰਸ਼ੀਅਲ ਕੰਪਲੈਕਸ ਬਣੇ ਹਨ ਨਿਯਮ ਮੁਤਾਬਿਕ ਉਸ ਵਿੱਚ ਰੋਨ ਹਾਰਵੈਸਟਿੰਗ ਰਿਚਾਰਜ ਸਿਸਟਮ ਲੱਗਾਇਆ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ ਜਾਂ ਨਹੀਂ ਅਤੇ ਇਸ ਬਾਬਤ ਇਲਾਕਾ ਬਿਲਡਿੰਗ ਇੰਸਪੈਕਟਰ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਜੋ ਰਿਪੋਰਟ ਫੀਡਬੈਕ ਗਈ ਹੈ, ਉਸਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ ਤੇ ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿਚ ਜੋ ਫੀਸ ਲੱਗਾਈ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਹੈ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਕਾਪੀ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ। ਇਹ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਪਿਛਲੇ 3 ਸਾਲਾ ਦੀ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ।
- 2) ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਸਾਲ ਜਨਵਰੀ 2019 ਤੋਂ ਲੈ ਕੇ ਅਪ੍ਰੈਲ 2021 ਤੱਕ ਜੋ ਵੀ ਕਮਰਸ਼ੀਅਲ ਸਾਇਟਾਂ ਬਣੀਆਂ ਨੇ ਜੋ ਈ-ਨਕਸ਼ੇ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਣੇ ਨੇ ਹਲਕਾ ਦੱਖਣੀ ਅਧੀਨ ਜੋ ਉਸਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਨਕਸ਼ੇ ਆਏ ਨੇ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।
- 3) ਤਾਰਾਂ ਵਾਲੇ ਪੌਲ (ਅੰਮ੍ਰਿਤਸਰ) ਤੋਂ ਨਵੇਂ ਓਵਰਜ਼ਬਿਜ਼ ਦੇ ਸ਼ੁਰੂ ਹੋਣ ਤੋਂ ਖੱਬੇ ਹੱਥ ਭਾਈ ਮੰਚ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਗੁਰਦੁਆਰੇ ਨੂੰ ਜਾਂਦੀ ਲਿੰਕ ਰੋਡ ਹੈ, ਉਸ ਥਾਂ ਤੇ ਜੋ ਦੁਕਾਨਾਂ ਬਣੀਆਂ ਨੇ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਕਸ਼ੇ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਅਤੇ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਕਰਾਈ ਗਈ ਨਕਸ਼ਾ ਫੀਸ, ਰਾਜੀਨਾਮਾ ਫੀਸ ਜਾਂ ਜੋ ਵੀ ਇਸ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਫੀਸ ਜਮ੍ਹਾਂ ਕਰਾਈ ਹੈ, ਉਸਦੀ ਤਸਦੀਕ ਸੁਦਾ ਕਾਪੀਆਂ ਦਿੱਤੀਆਂ ਜਾਣ। ( ਇਹ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਪਿਛਲੇ ਪੰਜ ਸਾਲਾ ਤੋਂ ਹੁਣ ਤੱਕ)
- 4) ਮਜੀਠਾਂ ਰੋਡ ਤੇ ਜਿੰਨ੍ਹੇ ਕਮਰਸ਼ੀਅਲ ਕੰਪਲੈਕਸ ਬਣੇ ਨੇ, ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਅਤੇ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਦਾ ਵੇਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।

as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **31.5.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **4.8.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **27.2.2024**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. On examination, the case file shows that the PIO was issued a Show Cause Notice vide this Commission's Order of 1.11.2022, by the former State Information Commissioner Sh. Khushwant Singh, whereafter the case was transferred to the present Bench. The PIO has remained absent from six successive Hearings of this Appeal Case and however, he has failed to make any written submission to the Show Cause Notice issued to him.

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3. In view of the aforesaid conduct of the PIO, as well as his failure to provide any reply / information in this RTI application, which was submitted on 9.4.2021. The Commission deems it appropriate to impose a penalty upon the PIO, office of, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar, who was incumbent on the date of the receipt of this RTI application which is **9.4.2021**.

**Order:** Keeping all the facts of the case in mind, this is a fit case to invoke Section 20 of RTI Act and impose a penalty on the respondent PIO Section 20(1), which reads as under:

*“Where the Central Information Commission or the State Information Commission, as the case may be, at the time of deciding any complaint or appeal is of the opinion that the Central Public Information Officer or the State Public Information Officer, as the case may be, has, without any reasonable cause, refused to receive an application for information or has not furnished information within the time specified under sub Section (1) of Section 7 or malafidely denied the request for information or knowingly given incorrect, incomplete or misleading information or destroyed information which was the subject of the request or obstructed in any manner in furnishing the information, it shall impose a penalty of 250/- Rupees each day till application is received or information is furnished, so however, the total amount of such penalty shall not exceed Twenty Five Thousand Rupees;*

*Provided that the Central Public Officer or the State Public Information Officer, as the case may be, shall be given a reasonable opportunity of being heard before any penalty is imposed on him;*

*Provided further that the burden of proving that he acted reasonably and diligently shall be on the Central Information Officer, as the case may be.”*

The onus and responsibility lie on the PIO to ensure the transmission of the complete information to the appellant. **The PIO, office of, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar, who was incumbent on 9.4.2021**, is hereby held guilty for not providing the information on time as prescribed under Section 7, which is within 30 days of the receipt of the request and for repeated and willful defiance of the Punjab State Information Commission's orders.

A penalty of **Rupees Twenty Five Thousand (Rs. 25,000.00)** is hereby imposed upon the **PIO, office of, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar, who was incumbent on 9.4.2021**, which be deducted from his salary and deposited in the Punjab Government Treasury under head **“0070-Other Administrative Services-60-other Services-800-Other Receipts-86-Fees Under the Right to Information Act.”** The **PIO, office of, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar**, is directed to duly inform the Commission of the compliance of the orders by submitted a copy of the challan, to this Commission. Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

4. The PIO is further directed to provide a written pointwise reply to this RTI application, to the appellant along with duly attested copies of the requested information therein. This must be done within 10 days of receipt of this Order under intimation to this Commission.

5. There is no further cause for action and the Appeal is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-  
**(ASIT JOLLY)**

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.  
Chandigarh  
28.5.2024

Cc: 1. Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar, for further necessary action.  
2. Deputy Registrar, for follow-up of compliance.