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### Mohit Garu,

S/o Sh. Dalip Kumar, # B-2-698/6-E, Chhawani Mohalla, Ludhiana.

Versus

## Public Information Officer,

o/o Establishment Branch, Municipal Corporation, District Ludhiana. **Public Information Officer,** Superintendent, (RTI) Headquarters, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana **First Appellate Authority,** Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

### Appeal Case No. 202 of 2021

PRESENT: Mohit Garu (Appellant) 97791-11717 Jaideep Singh, SDO, Zone D (for the Respondent) 89689-77070

## ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **26.8.2021**, **19.10.2021**, **11.5.2022**, **and 1.11.2022**)

1. The RTI application is dated **19.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Temporary employees posted in Zone-D of MC Ludhiana**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.11.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **1.11.2022**.

2. The appellant is present in person. The respondent PIO O&M Cell Zone D, has submitted copy of a reply/information sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 25 Dated 8.12.2022, along with a pointwise reply and list of employees. The appellant states that the information is deficient as the respondent PIO has not provided the date of joining for the listed employees and details of salary for the first month of their joining.

3. The respondent PIO, O&M Cell, Zone D, states that the aforesaid information is not available in the O&M Cell and this was requested from the Establishment Branch which is the custodian of said information, but said branch has not provided the same. The PIO O&M Cell was earlier, vide this Commission's Order on 19.10.2022, directed to transfer part of this RTI application to the PIO Establishment Branch under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005. He was once again reminded to do this on 1.11.2022. The PIO O&M Cell however, failed to comply and is given one final chance to transfer this RTI application to the PIO Establishment Branch immediately under intimation to the appellant as well as this Commission.

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4. The PIO, Establishment Branch is thereafter directed to provide the requested information within 20 days to the appellant with a copy to this Commission. Failure to comply, will qualify the him for a penalty as per the RTI Act, 2005.

### 5. <u>Next hearing on 12.1.2023 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red</u> <u>Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

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

Chandigarh 13.12.2022