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Daman Kapoor,
2226/10, Street No. 2,
Chander Nagar, Civil City,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o XEN, B&R Department, Zone A,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2429 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Daman Kapoor (Appellant) 95014-22929
Sandeep Kumar, JE from Zone A (for the Respondent) 82848-00951

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **24.11.2021, 10.3.2022, 29.6.2022, and 23.8.2022**)*

1. The RTI application is dated **7.12.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding work orders, agreements, and sample test reports of all roads constructed in Ward Number 94 since 2017,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **11.1.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.5.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **23.8.2022**.

2. Both parties are present. The appellant is present in person. At the last hearing on 23.8.2022, the respondent PIO-cum-XEN, B&R Zone A, Sh. **Harwinder Singh**, was issued a Show Cause Notice and directed to be present in person at the today's hearing. The respondent PIO has failed to comply. Notably, the appellant Sh. **Daman Kapoor** has travelled all the way from Ludhiana to attend this Hearing in person at the Commission in Chandigarh. As per para no. 4 of this Commission's Order of 23.8.2022, the respondent PIO was also directed to furnish complete information listed as pending, pertaining to Sunil Nagar and Kehar Singh Nagar within 15 days of receipt of that Order. As per the appellant, the respondent PIO has provided incomplete information in regard to Sunil Nagar and completely incorrect information/no information with regard to Kehar Singh Nagar. This was pointed out to the PIO's representative Sh. Sandeep Kumar, JE from Zone A B&R.

3. The Commission takes a very serious view of the respondent PIO's conduct. He appears to be adopting tactics to withhold / delay the requested information. The appellant is requested to make a written submission of his contentions at today's Hearing regarding the deficiencies in the information provided to him with respect to Sunil Nagar and Kehar Singh Nagar vis-a-vis this RTI application. A copy is to be submitted to the respondent PIO's office in Ludhiana and a second copy is to be submitted to the Commission.

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4. The respondent PIO is meanwhile directed to supply all the pending information after due attestation within 15 days of this Hearing. In case, the appellant get delayed in submitting the deficiency, it shall be the responsibility of the respondent PIO to contact the appellant and seek the specific deficiencies from him.

5. **Next hearing on 31.10.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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

Chandigarh
14.10.2022