

# PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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**Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia,**  
NCAG office, St.No.5,  
#1331-5, Vishwakarma Bhawan,  
Down Canal Road, Shimlapuri,  
Ludhiana.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o EO Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,  
District Ludhiana.  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
Additional Deputy Commissioner (UD),  
District Ludhiana.

## **Appeal Case No. 2893 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)**

PRESENT:

Amarjit Singh Dhamotia (Appellant) 98887-10031  
Kulwinder Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98763-23386

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **17.3.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding illegal buildings in the area of MC, Mullanpur Dakha**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **18.4.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.6.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **24.11.2022**.
2. Both parties are present. As per the respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Kulwinder Singh, Clerk, a demand for Rs. 2,500.00, as approximate cost of copying of the requested information, was sought from the appellant vide Letter No. 260 Dated 21.4.2022. The respondent PIO also states that the RTI application Dated 17.3.2022, was received in his office on 20.4.2022.
3. The Commission notes that the demand for copying cost made within the stipulated period of 30 days. However, the respondent PIO has not given any estimate of the number of pages that would have to be copied. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to give an approximate estimate of the number of pages that would need to be copied, and intimate this in writing to the appellant with a copy to this Commission within 10 days. Thereafter, the appellant is to deposit the cost, as conveyed by the respondent PIO, to obtain the requested information.
4. The appellant meanwhile, contends that he did not receive Letter No. 260 Dated 21.4.2022. In view of this, the respondent PIO is directed to submit a copy of the dispatch register, whereby the aforesaid letter seeking copying costs, was sent to the appellant. Copy of said letter also be submitted to the Commission.

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5. Next hearing on 24.1.2023 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  
24.11.2022