



Advocate Tejinder Singh, (9041004313)
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Backside Saanjh Kender,
Phillaur-144410

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar-143001

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar-143001

...Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3538 OF 2021

PRESENT: None for the Appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 09.04.2021 has sought information on 04 points regarding the rain harvesting recharge system installed, if any, in the commercial complex of south block along with fee if any being charged for last 3 years – details of e-maps of commercial sites – a copy of the map of shops constructed near new overbridge Tarawala bridge – details of commercial complexes constructed on Majitha Road as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Municipal Corporation Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the first appellate authority on 31.05.2021, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case last came up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. The appellant claimed the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent. The PIO was directed to provide point-wise information to the appellant and send a compliance report to the Commission.

Hearing dated 01.11.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today. The appellant, vide email has sought exemption being out of station. The appellant in the said email has also informed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent is absent on the 2nd consecutive hearing nor is represented as well as not complied the order of the Commission to provide the information. There has been an enormous delay of more than one year and seven months in attending to the RTI application. The Commission has taken a serious view of this and hereby directs the PIO to **show cause why penalty be not imposed on him under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time. He/she should file an affidavit in this regard.** If there are other persons responsible for the delay in providing the information, the PIO is directed to inform such person(s) of the show cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with the written replies

To come up for further hearing on **01.02.2023 at 11.00 AM through video** conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana. The PIO to appear through VC at DAC Amritsar.

Chandigarh
Dated: 01.11.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner