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Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia,
Whistle Blower, President, NCAG Office,
Street Number 05, # 1331-5,
Vishawkarma Bhawan, Down Canal Road,
Shimlapuri, Ludhiana (141003),
M: 988871031

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Director, Local Bodies, Punjab
Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35,
Chandigarh.

Public Information Officer
O/o Addl. Dy. Commissioner (Urban Development),
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Director, Local Bodies, Punjab
Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.5771/2022

Present:

- (i) **Shri Gurmej Lal, on behalf of the Appellant- cisco webex.**
- (ii) **Shri Aman Kumar, Senior Assistant, Establishment Branch, office of Director, Local Government, Punjab on behalf of PIO- in person.**
- (iii) **Shri Rajiv Kumar, Building Inspector, Town Planning Wing, office of Director, Local Government, Punjab on behalf of PIO- in person.**

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 06.06.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 09.07.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.11.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 01.02.2023. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Gurmej Lal, comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the appellant through cisco webex. He states that no information has been provided to the appellant.

3. Shri Rajiv Kumar, Senior Assistant, Town Planning Wing, Local Govt. Punjab comes present in person before the Bench. He states that the RTI application of the appellant was transferred to PIO/Superintendent (Establishment), O/o Director, Local Government, Punjab vide letter dated 20.06.2022 and the PIO/Superintendent, Establishment has been requested to attend the hearing before the Commission.

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4. Shri Aman Kumar, Senior Assistant, Establishment Branch, Local Govt., Punjab comes present in person before the Bench. He states that the RTI application of the appellant was transferred to PIO Office of ADC (Urban Development), Ludhiana as the area about which the information has been sought by the appellant falls within the jurisdiction of A.D.C. (Urban Development) and that the appellant has also been asked to supply information to the appellant directly.

5. In view of the statement of Shri Aman Kumar, Senior Assistant, the PIO O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana is impleaded as Respondent No.2. He is directed to supply information to the appellant regarding his complaint dated 19.05.2022. The PIOs concerned are directed to come present before the Bench in person on the next hearing.

6 With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 03.04.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
01.02.2023

Sd/-
(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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PIO O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (Urban Development), Ludhiana