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FINAL ORDER

Gulshan Kumar, # 854, Dayal Nagar, Ghumar Mandi, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana. **First Appellate Authority,** Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 6270 of 2022

PRESENT: Gulshan Kumar (Appellant) 98884-82109 Naresh Kumar, Clerk, Building Branch Zone D (for the Respondent) 98889-89036

ORDER:

1. The RTI applications are dated 24.8.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information:-

as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeals were filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **12.10.2022** and Second Appeals were filed in the Commission on **14.12.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notices were issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **27.1.2023**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, Building Branch, Zone C, has submitted a copy of the reply sent to the appellant along with the requested information. A similar reply has also been provided by the PIO Building Branch, Zone D, which has been acknowledged by the appellant at this Hearing.

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3. The Commission notes that although this RTI application was submitted to the office of Commissioner, MC, Ludhiana, it pertains to the Building Branch for Zone A, B, C, and D, all of which, have separate PIOs. The Commission has, time and again, advised appellants to address their RTI application to the "concerned" PIO of the "concerned" Branch and Zone. Information by way of a list of PIOs is available on the Website of the Municipal Corporation.

4. It is this Commission's considered view that the office of the Commissioner, MC, Ludhiana, cannot be expected to serve as a Post Office for RTI applications and that applicants must address their RTI applications to the concerned PIO. Accordingly, the appellant is advised to file separate RTI applications to the PIOs, Building Branch Zone A and B to obtain the information pertaining to said zones.

5. This Appeal is accordingly **Disposed of**.

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

Chandigarh 27.1.2023