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Rajnish Bharara

H. No. 520, Preet Colony, Zirakpur, Distt. – S.A.S. Nagar (Mohali) - 140603 (Punjab) (M.-9918896100)

....Appellant

Public Information Officer.

O/o The Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Zirakpur (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Addl. D. C.(Urban), S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 6004 of 2022

V/s

Present: Sh. Rajnish Bharara, the appellant in person.

- i) Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate(M.-98764-68637);
- ii) Sh. Shivam, Building Inspector (M.-96283261533), for the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

- 2. The RTI request is dated 31.08.2022. First appeal is dated 13.10.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 30.11.2022.
- 3. This case was earlier herd on 25.01.2023.
- 4. Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate, who appeared with Sh. Shivam, Building Inspector, in today's hearing, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, hands over a point-wise reply to the appellant vide letter no. 32 dated 20.02.2023 and also submits a copy of reply to the Commission. It is taken on record.
- 5. He (Sh. Gulshan Mehta, Advocate) also submits a reply dated 20.02.2023 in an affidavit (signed by the Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Zirakpur) in response to the show-cause issued vide orders dated 25.01.2023.
- 6. The appellant, Sh. Rajnish Bharara, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the reply given to him by the respondent PIO is not satisfactory. He also alleges that the respondent PIO has deliberately caused the delay in giving the reply to him.

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- 7. After going over the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request and the response given by the respondent PIO concerned and found it satisfactory.
- 8. After going over the reply dated 20.02.2023, submitted by the respondent PIO in response to the show-cause issued vide orders dated 25.01.2023 found that the explanation given by him as genuine, hence show cause issued to him vide orders dated 25.01.2023 is **dropped** and the instant appeal-case is announced as **disposed** and **closed** with the directions to the respondent PIO to be more careful in future in dealing with the RTI applications filed by the applicants and supply the required information to the information-seekers within stipulated time as per provisions of the RTI Act.

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)

Date :21st February, 2023
State Information Commissioner
Punjab