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Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,
Ward No.18, Street NO.2
Kartar Nagar, Amlah Road,
Khanna, Distt. Ludhiana-141401.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Khanna,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Govt., Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1450 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/PIO, and Shri Amarjit Singh, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council, Khanna, Distt.Ludhiana**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 05.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant comes present to attend the hearing. He states that the PIO has supplied him partial information and post scrutiny of documents provided, he has pointed out deficiencies, but information after removal of deficiencies has not been received by him yet.
3. Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/PIO, Municipal Council, Khanna comes present and states that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 01.10.2020 sent by registered post on 06.10.2020. He further states that an affidavit has also been sent to the appellant to the effect that apart from the information supplied, no other information is available in their official records related to the instant appeal case.
4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he is not satisfied with the information supplied and also contends in an aggressive and arrogant manner that the affidavit filed is false. Affidavit filing has no meaning as per the appellant. The respondents were submitting false documents and concealing information. In an arrogant manner, the appellant claims that he can also file an affidavit and the entire Department is corrupt. He was explained by the Bench that affidavit submitted by

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AC No.1450/2020

PIO is a confirmation on oath that entire information as existing in the official records stands supplied in the instant case, the information supplied is factually correct and nothing has been concealed. The Bench further clarifies that the appellant, being a normal citizen, his filing an affidavit is of no consequence under the RTI Act. Without caring for the sanctity of the Court, the appellant arrogantly asks for transfer of the instant case to the Bench of Chief Information Commissioner.

5. Post drama during the hearing, the Bench is left with no option but to send the present appeal case to the Deputy Registrar, Punjab State Information Commission, for transfer of the same to the Bench of Chief Information Commissioner. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
02.03.2020**

**Sd/-
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State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Govt., Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1451 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/PIO, and Shri Amarjit Singh, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council, Khanna, Distt.Ludhiana**

ORDER

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4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he is not satisfied with the information supplied and also contends in an aggressive and arrogant manner that the affidavit filed is false. Affidavit filing has no meaning as per the appellant. The respondents were submitting false documents and concealing information. In an arrogant manner, the appellant claims that he can also file an affidavit and the entire Department is corrupt. He was explained by the Bench that affidavit submitted by



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AC No.1451/2020

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O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Khanna,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Govt., Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1497 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/PIO, and Shri Amarjit Singh, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council, Khanna, Distt.Ludhiana**

ORDER

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2. The case has been heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant comes present to attend the hearing. He states that the PIO has supplied him partial information and post scrutiny of documents provided, he has pointed out deficiencies, but information after removal of deficiencies has not been received by him yet.
3. Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/PIO, Municipal Council, Khanna comes present and states that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 01.10.2020 sent by registered post on 06.10.2020. He further states that an affidavit has also been sent to the appellant to the effect that apart from the information supplied, no other information is available in their official records related to the instant appeal case.
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AC No.1497/2020

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council, Khanna,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Govt., Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1498 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/PIO, and Shri Amarjit Singh, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council, Khanna, Distt.Ludhiana**

ORDER

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2. The case has been heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Appellant comes present to attend the hearing. He states that the PIO has supplied him partial information and post scrutiny of documents provided, he has pointed out deficiencies, but information after removal of deficiencies has not been received by him yet.
3. Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/PIO, Municipal Council, Khanna comes present and states that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 01.10.2020 sent by registered post on 06.10.2020. He further states that an affidavit has also been sent to the appellant to the effect that apart from the information supplied, no other information is available in their official records related to the instant appeal case.
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AC No.1498/2020

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Shri Kamaljit Singh Anand, .
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Ludhiana-141010.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation Zone-D,
Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer

O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation Zone-D,
B&R Branch, Ludhiana.

PIO/Superintendent,

Tehbazari Branch,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation Zone-D,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1625 of 2020

Present:

- (i) **Shri Kamaljit Singh Anand, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Raman Kaushal, XEN/PIO, B&R Branch, with Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman, Drawing & Building Branch, Municipal Corporation, Zone-D, Ludhiana.**

ORDER

Heard through Video Conferencing

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 05.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Kamaljit Singh Anand, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that only partial information has been supplied to him. He is satisfied with information given on point No.1, but is not satisfied with the information provided on point Nos.2 & 3.
3. Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that part of information relating to Drawing & Building Branch has been supplied to the appellant. Shri Raman Kaushal, XEN/PIO, B & R Branch, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present

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AC No.1625/2020

to attend the hearing and states that information has been supplied by the B&R Branch vide letter dated 07.08.2020 and that an affidavit dated 19.01.2021 has been sent to the appellant. He further states that issues of temporary encroachment are dealt with by the Tehbazari Branch of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana and as such, the information related to encroachment is to be provided by them.

4. As pointed out by the XEN/PIO, B&R Branch, the Superintendent, Tehbazari Branch, Municipal Corporation is now impleaded as respondent No.3.

5. The PIO, B&R Branch, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana and the PIO, Tehbazari Branch, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana are directed to call the appellant to the office on any working day and allow him access to the relevant official records to identify the information as per his RTI application and provide him the information so identified before the next date of hearing.

6. The PIO, Drawing and Building Branch, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana is directed to file the affidavit as per directions given on 10.08.2020.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
02.03.2020**

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

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Tehbazari Branch,
Municipal Corporation,
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Ludhiana-141010.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Building Branch, Zone-B,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2109 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Sukhvir Singh, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Navneet Singh, Building Inspector, Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana
on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 05.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana. Shri Sukhvir Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that he is not satisfied with the information given as the information sought by him has been denied under Section 8(1)(j) of RTI Act, being a third party information.
4. Shri Navneet Singh, Building Inspector, Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana, comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 11.12.2020 and certain information has been denied to appellant as a court case is pending in the Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court.
5. The appellant does not agree with the contention of the representative of the PIO and states that his RTI application is dated 18.11.2019 seeking information regarding unauthorized constructions without getting the CLU, whereas the case was filed in the Hon'ble High Court much after he submitted his RTI application.

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AC No.2109/2020

6. The PIO O/o Building Branch, Municipal Corporation, Zone-B, Ludhiana is directed to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after inspection of the official records, will identify the information and the information so identified will be provided to the appellant by the PIO before the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
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.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2110 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Sukhvir Singh, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Navneet Singh, Building Inspector, Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana**
on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER

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2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana. Shri Sukhvir Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that he is not satisfied with the information given as the information sought by him has been denied under Section 8(1)(j) of RTI Act, being a third party information.
4. Shri Navneet Singh, Building Inspector, Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana, comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 11.12.2020 and certain information has been denied to appellant as a court case is pending in the Hon'ble Punjab & Haryana High Court.
5. The appellant does not agree with the contention of the representative of the PIO and states that his RTI application is dated 18.11.2019 seeking information regarding unauthorized constructions without getting the CLU, whereas the case was filed in the Hon'ble High Court much after he submitted his RTI application.

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AC No.2110/2020

6. The PIO O/o Building Branch, Municipal Corporation, Zone-B, Ludhiana is directed to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after inspection of the official records, will identify the information and the information so identified will be provided to the appellant by the PIO before the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
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S/o Shri Surjit Singh
R/o 240, Block B,
Ahluwalia Colony, Jamalpur,
District Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o State Transport Authority
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.1108 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Inderpal Singh, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Ravinder Singh, Clerk O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,
Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER:

(Heard Through Video Conferencing)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 06.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana. The appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that he had visited the office of PIO on the date fixed to inspect the records but he has not been shown any documents neither provided any additional information.
3. Shri Ravinder Singh, Clerk O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Ludhiana comes present for the hearing through V.C.on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information as available in the official records has been sent to the appellant and an affidavit as per directions of the Bench, has also been sent to the appellant.
4. Post deliberations, the PIO is directed to call the appellant again to his office and allow him access to relevant official records and also to allow access to the on-line information as available in the office and the requisite information be provided to the appellant. The affidavit filed without supplying complete information is of no consequence. As such, he is directed to file a fresh affidavit as per directions given on 06.10.2020.



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AC No.1108/2020

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
02.03.2021**

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Chandigarh.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.570 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Himanshu Raj, Appellant.**
(ii) **Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman, M.C. Zone-D, Ludhiana**
on behalf of PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard Through Video Conferencing)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 06.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through V.C. in D.C. Office, Ludhiana. The appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
3. Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 19.11.2020 and an affidavit dated 23.11.2020 has also been sent to him stating that nothing beyond the information supplied, is available in the official records.
4. The appellant states that he is not satisfied with the information supplied and denies the receipt of affidavit. Then, he is shown copy of the affidavit available in the case file, during the hearing. However, the appellant expresses his dis-satisfaction over the same.

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AC No.570/2020

5. Post deliberations with the appellant and the representative of PIO, **the Bench directs the case to come up for physical hearing before the Bench at Chandigarh on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM.** The PIO is further directed to bring all case related documents and produce the same before the Bench in the next hearing. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
02.03.2021**

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District Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority
O/o Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Govt., Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1578 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent.**
(ii) **Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/ PIO, Municipal Council, Khanna, District Ludhiana.**

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing/On Mobile Phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 06.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing. He has, however, sent an e..mail dated 01.03.2021 stating that due to some personal reasons, he is unable to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Charanjit Singh, Executive Officer/ PIO, Municipal Council, Khanna, District Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that the appellant has been supplied information on 26.02.2021 by speed post stating therein that the land with regard to which the information has been sought has not been acquired and no notification in that regard is available in their official records.
4. The appellant Shri Harsh Kumar is contacted on mobile phone. He is apprised of the version of the PIO. He is not satisfied with the statement made by the PIO and further states that as per his inputs, the said land is claimed by PUDA and he has asked for a copy of notification in this regard.

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AC No.1578/2020

5. The PIO is now directed to come present before the Bench along with the connected documents on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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02.03.2021**

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