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Shri Trilochan Singh
S/o Late Shri Gurbachan Singh
R/o 848-A, MIG Jamalpur PHB Colony,
District Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.1903 of 2020

**Present: (i) Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the Appellant.
(ii) Shri Gurpreet Singh, Section Officer/PIO O/o Secretary, RTA,
Amritsar.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing on behalf of Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant.
3. Shri Gurpreet Singh, Section Officer/PIO has come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 28.07.2021 by registered post and an affidavit has also been sent on 30.07.2021. He has also explained his position with regard to the show cause notice issued vide letter dated 30.07.2021 sent to the Commission vide e.mail. He further states that no Id. Proof has been sent by the appellant yet.
4. On the asking of the Bench, Shri Tejinder Singh, representative of the appellant states that the appellant has not received either the information or the affidavit filed by the PIO. He further states that the position regarding the submission of Id. Proof has been explained during the previous hearing that the Id. Proof has been sent by e.mail as well as registered post on 26.08.2019.

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5. The PIO is directed to bring along all the relevant records and produce before the Bench on the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.10.2021 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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O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Gurdaspur.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-
State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.**

....Respondents

AC No.1906 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the Appellant.**
(ii) **Shri Ravinder Singh, Section Officer/PIO, O/o Secretary, R.T.A.
Gurdaspur.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing on behalf of Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant. He states that no information has been supplied to the appellant.
3. Shri Ravinder Singh, Section Officer/PIO comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states in compliance with the directions of Hon'ble Bench, the appellant was called to inspect the records on 07.05.2021, then on 21.05.2021, but he did not respond and again, contact was made on his mobile phone but the phone was not picked up.
4. The representative of the appellant Shri Tejinder Singh states that the appellant could not visit the office of PIO due to some personal problems and that no phone call was received by the appellant.

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5. The PIO is again directed to call the appellant by mutually tying up with the appellant or his representative Shri Tejinder Singh to inspect the official records and provide the information to the appellant after he identifies the information on inspection of records, before the next hearing. He is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.10.2021 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 Late Shri Gurbachan Singh
R/o 848-A, MIG PHB Colony,
Jamalpur, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.1902 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the Appellant.**
(ii) **Shri Sham Lal, Assistant Transport Officer/PIO,
O/o Secretary, R.T.A., Patiala.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing on behalf of Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant. He states that the appellant was called by the PIO to his office to inspect the official records, but the appellant could not visit due to some personal reasons.
3. The PIO Shri Sham Lal, Assistant Transport Officer, O/o R.T.A. Patiala comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that information sought being voluminous, three letters were sent to the appellant calling him to inspect the official records. However, the appellant has not visited their office to inspect the record even once. He further states that an affidavit dated 30.07.2021 has also been filed to this effect.
4. Post deliberations, the PIO is directed to call the appellant again to his office and allow him access to all the relevant official records and provide the information to the appellant as may be identified by the appellant on inspection, duly attested before the next hearing.

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5. After supplying the information, the PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on a non-judicial stamp paper in the instant appeal case as per directions given on the previous hearing. Original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.10.2021 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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.....Appellant

Versus

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O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Hoshiarpur.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-
State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.**

....Respondents

AC No.1905 of 2020

**Present: (i) Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the Appellant.
(ii) Shri Tarlok Singh, Junior Assistant O/o Secretary, R.T.A Hoshiarpur
on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing on behalf of Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant.
3. Shri Tarlok Singh, Junior Assistant O/o R.T.A. Hoshiarpur comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 30.07.2021.
4. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of the appellant states that no information has been received by the appellant yet.
5. The PIO is now directed to again send a copy of information by registered post as well as e.mail and also file an affidavit on-non judicial stamp paper duly attested by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, as per directions given on the previous hearing. He is also directed to bring along the entire record and produce before the Bench on the next hearing.

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6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.10.2021 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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.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o The Secretary,
Regional Transport Authority,
Amritsar.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-
State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.**

....Respondents

AC No.1904 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, on behalf of the Appellant.**
(ii) **Shri Gurpreet Singh, Section Officer/PIO, O/o Secretary, R.T.A.
Amritsar.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing on behalf of Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant. He states that since the appellant was not satisfied with the information supplied and as such, deficiencies were pointed out to the PIO.
3. Shri Gurpreet Singh, Section Officer/PIO comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that para-wise information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 05.10.2020 and further states the information has been supplied after removing deficiencies on 30.07.2021.
4. The representative of the appellant states that the appellant, being not satiated with the information supplied on removal of deficiencies, had again sent deficiencies vide e.mail on 08.05.2021, but no information after removal of deficiencies has been received by the appellant.
5. The PIO is again directed to address the deficiencies as pointed out by the representative of the appellant and supply rectified information to the appellant before the next hearing. The PIO is also directed to bring along all the relevant record and produce before the Bench on the next hearing.



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AC No.1904/2020

6. The PIO is further directed to file an affidavit on a non judicial stamp paper in the instant appeal case duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public as per directions given on the previous hearing. Original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.10.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-

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Shri Ravi Kumar
R/o # 27-FF, HIG Flats, B-Block,
G.T. Road, New Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Regional Transport Authority,
Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.2745 of 2020

**Present: (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Shri Sham Lal, Assistant Transport Officer/PIO, O/o RTA Patiala.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex/On Mobile Phone)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Ravi Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing Cisco Webex.
3. Shri Sham Lal, Assistant Transport Officer/PIO, O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Patiala attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that the record relating to the information asked for by the appellant was searched and the record being more than 20 years old and in a damaged condition affected by termite, is not available in their office and as such, cannot be supplied.
4. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is apprised of the version of the PIO. He states that he does not agree to the contention of the PIO as the RC of vehicle mentioned in his RTI application was got renewed in the year 2010.
5. Post deliberations, the PIO is directed to file an affidavit on a non judicial stamp paper in the instant appeal case duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public stating that the record being over 20 years old and in a damaged condition could not be traced and as such, cannot be provided. The Original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.



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6. PIO is further directed to bring along the entire relevant record and produce before the Bench on next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.10.2021 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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Shri Jagjit Singh,
R/o Aman Nagar, Street No.3,
Backside Green Land School,
Near Jalandhar By-pass,
Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2289 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Jagjit Singh, Appellant.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER:

(Heard Through Cisco Webex/On Mobile Phone)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Jagjit Singh, Appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has not received any information.
3. Neither the PIO has come present nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana who had come present to attend the previous hearing is contacted on mobile phone. He states that in the instant case, Shri Davinder Singh, Draftsman was to attend the hearing as now he is dealing with this RTI appeal. The Bench takes serious note of the fact that the neither the PIO has attended the hearing through Cisco Webex nor has deputed the right official concerned. The Bench also takes note of the fact that during the previous hearing, the representative of the PIO had assured to supply information to the appellant on the same day but neither the information has been supplied nor the affidavit after supplying the information has been filed and as such, the directions of the Bench have not been complied with. This indifferent attitude on the part of PIO is viewed adversely.

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AC No.2289/2020

4. The PIO O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not complying with the orders of the Bench and for not attending today's hearing. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The PIO is further directed to supply the requisite information to the appellant before the next hearing as also to ensure to come present before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 11.10.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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02.08.2021**

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...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-
The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2290 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Jagjit Singh, Appellant.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER:

(Heard Through Cisco Webex/On Mobile Phone)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Jagjit Singh, Appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has not received any information.
3. Neither the PIO has come present nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana who had come present to attend the previous hearing is contacted on mobile phone. He states that in the instant case, Shri Davinder Singh, Draftsman was to attend the hearing as now he is dealing with this RTI appeal. The Bench takes serious note of the fact that the neither the PIO has attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor has deputed the right official concerned. The Bench also takes note of the fact that during the previous hearing, the representative of the PIO had assured to supply information to the appellant on the same day but neither the information has been supplied nor the affidavit after supplying the information has been filed and as such, the directions of the Bench have not been complied with. This indifferent attitude on the part of PIO is viewed adversely.



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AC No.2290/2020

4. The PIO O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not complying with the orders of the Bench and for not attending today's hearing. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The PIO is further directed to supply the requisite information to the appellant before the next hearing as also to ensure to come present before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 11.10.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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02.08.2021**

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Shri Naresh Kumar
R/o Kothi No.885,
Sector-11, Panchkula (Hry.).

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Greater Mohali Area,
Development Authority(GMADA)
S.A.S. Nagar (Moohali).

First Appellate Authority-cum-
O/o Greater Mohali Area,
Development Authority(GMADA)
S.A.S. Nagar (Moohali).

....Respondents

AC No.99 of 2021

**Present: (i) Shri Naresh Kumar, Appellant in person.
(ii) None on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex/On Mobile Phone)

1. This is with reference to the order dated 08.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 24.05.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Naresh Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has not received the information as per his RTI application so far.
3. On the previous hearing, the Bench observed that information on point No.1 & 3 is to be given under RTI Act, however, point No.2 is an issue which is not related to seeking information under RTI Act and may be denied.
4. Neither the PIO has come present nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. The Bench observes that on the previous hearing also, no one from GMADA had attended the hearing. Accordingly, on finding out the contact number of the PIO, GMADA, Shri Gurvinder Singh, Administrative Officer is contacted on his mobile phone. He is apprised of the non-supply of information to the appellant as also for not filing reply to the show cause notice. He assures that the he will ensure the supply of necessary information to the appellant.

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5. On further deliberations with the PIO, he is directed to call the appellant to his office on any working day and allow him access to the relevant official records and supply information to the appellant as may be identified by him after inspection of records, before the next hearing and ensure 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 19.10.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-

**Chandigarh
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Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Backside Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjab Urban Planning &
Development Authority (PUDA),
PUDA Bhawan, Mohali.

Public Information Officer

Building Branch,
Greater Mohali Area
Development Authority (GMADA),
PUDA Bhawan, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Punjab Urban Planning &
Development Authority (PUDA),
PUDA Bhawan, Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No.1022 of 2021

**Present: (i) Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant.
(ii) Smt. Sarla Devi, Administrative Officer, O/o PUDA, Mohali/ PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI Application is dated 01.10.2020 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 12.12.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.02.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.05.2021, and further postponed to 02.08.2021 through Cisco Webex. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing through Cisco Webex.
3. Smt. Sarla Devi, Administrative Officer/ PIO, PUDA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. She states that reply to the appellant has been given by Superintendent -cum- PIO, GMADA vide letters dated 22.04.2021 and 09.06.2021 and that points 2 & 3 relate to Building Branch of GMADA. The PIO O/o Building Branch, GMADA, Mohali is thus impleaded as Respondent No.2.

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AC No.1022/2021

4. Shri Tejinder Singh, appellant states that he is not satisfied with the information supplied and had also pointed out certain deficiencies which have not been addressed.

5. The Bench observes that a letter dated 30.07.2021 received by e.mail is also available in the case file from DO (Building)-cum-APIO, GMADA stating that as regards point NO.2 & 3, no action regarding plans of houses/shops falling within the boundary of villages is taken by GMADA. The PIOs, Regulatory Branch and Building Branch of GMADA are also directed to remove deficiencies as pointed out by the appellant and supply the rectified information before next hearing.

6. The PIOs of Regulatory Branch and Building Branch of GMADA are also directed to bring along the relevant record and produce before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.10.2021 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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Shri Tejinder Singh, Advocate
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Backside Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Greater Mohali Area
Development Authority (GMADA),
Puda Bhawan, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Greater Mohali Area
Development Authority (GMADA),
Puda Bhawan, Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No.1023 of 2021

**Present: (i) Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant.
(ii) None on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI Application is dated 01.10.2020 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 12.12.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.02.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 24.05.2021 and further postponed to 02.08.2021 through Cisco Webex. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, attends the hearing. He states that he has not received any information.

3. Neither the PIO O/o GMADA Mohali has come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on his behalf. The RTI application of the appellant is dated 01.10.2020 and first appeal is dated 12.12.2020 and second appeal was filed on 22.02.2021. The PIO has not supplied any information to the appellant in spite of lapse of more than nine months.

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4. The PIO O/o GMADA Mohali is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying information to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The PIO is directed to supply the complete information to the appellant and ensure to come present before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 19.10.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
02.08.2021**

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

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Area Town Planner
O/o Estate Officer(Regulatory),
Greater Ludhiana Area
Development Authority (GLADA),
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Administrator,
Greater Ludhiana Area Development
Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1024 of 2021

Present: (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI Application is dated 01.12.2020 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 03.02.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.02.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

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3. Neither the PIO O/o GLADA.Ludhiana has come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on his behalf. The RTI application of the appellant is dated 01.10.2020 and first appeal is dated 12.12.2020 and second appeal was filed on 22.02.2021. The PIO has not supplied any information to the appellant in spite of lapse of more than nine months.



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4. The PIO, Area Town Planner, O/o E.O. GLADA Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying information to the appellant. The PIO is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

5. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceeding against him ex-parte.

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