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Rakesh Kumar Gupta

R/o # 8/237, Jagraon Road, Mandi Mullanpur, Distt.Ludhiana-141101(Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
District - Ludhiana (Punjab)
First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Regional Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Pb.,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3447 of 2018

Present: Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.

Sh. Manohar Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, in person.

ORDER

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 29.05.2018. First appeal is dated 26.07.2018.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.10.2018.

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.07.2020, Sh. Abhay Joshi,

Accountant, who appeared for the respondent PIO, intimated that inspection of the relevant official record was done but the appellant had not identified any information from the case-file of the instant appeal case and demanding documents other than the documents placed in the case-file. An opportunity was given to the appellant to specify the required information, connected with the RTI request in this particular case, in writing, and send the same to the respondent PIO concerned so that information could be provided to him. Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information (which would be specified by the appellant in this particular case), as per record available in the instant appeal case-file, to the appellant well in time and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission. If any information is not available in the case-file, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will send a reply in an affidavit to the Commission. An opportunity is also given to the appellant to intimate the Commission whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO concerned.

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The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has inspected the relevant official record and identified

the required information.

Sh. Manohar Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, who appeared in person, in today's hearing, intimates the Commission that inspection of the relevant official record has been done by the appellant on 01.10.2020 and seeks an adjournment in this

case so that the information, identified by the appellant could be supplied to him.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information (which has been identified by the appellant in this particular case), to the appellant and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt

signed by the appellant to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to intimate the Commission whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO concerned by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> <u>hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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First Appellate Authority, O/o The Regional Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Pb., Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 2608 of 2019

Present: Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.

Sh. Hira Singh, Clerk, on behalf of the respondent.

V/s

### <u>ORDER</u>

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 04.07.2019. First appeal is dated 11.07.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.07.2019.

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.07.2020, last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information to the appellant as per queries raised by the appellant through RTI request well in time and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission. Last opportunity was also given to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, to file/send a written reply to the show cause issued to him vide orders dated 10.02.2020.

Sh. Hira Singh, Clerk, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

He also intimates the Commission that a reply to the show-cause, issued to the respondent PIO concerned vide orders dated 10.02.2020, has also been sent vide letter no. 1393 dated 08.09.2020, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 12224 dated 17.09.2020. It is taken on record.

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The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appeared in person in today's hearing, state that partial information has been given to him by the respondent PIO and he has pointed out certain deficiencies in the information supplied to him.

Sh. Hira Singh, Clerk, intimates that the letter, through which deficiencies have been pointed out, has been received in the office of the respondent on 04.10.2020.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies, which has been pointed out by the appellant, to him by registered post before the next date of hearing with a copy to the Commission .

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information from the respondent PIO or not.

The case is <u>adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2020 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> <u>hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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...Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Regional Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Director, Local Government, Pb., Plot No. 3, Sector 35-A, Chandigarh (Punjab)

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 369 of 2020

Present: Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.

Sh. Gurdeep Singh, Superintendent, on behalf of the respondent.

V/s

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 22.04.2019. First appeal is dated 29.05.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.01.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.07.2020, an opportunity was given to the appellant to specify the required information, connected with the RTI request in this particular case, in writing, and send the same to the respondent PIO concerned so that information could be provided to him. Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information (which would be specified by the appellant in this particular case), as per record available in the instant appeal case-file, to the appellant well in time and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to intimate the Commission whether he has received the information.

The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that incomplete information has been given to him by the respondent till date.

Sh. Gurdeep Singh, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, intimates the Commission that vide orders dated 27.07.2020, the appellant was advised to specify the required information, connected with the RTI request in this particular case, in writing but he has demanded the information other than the period, he has applied through RTI request.

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The respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information, which is connected with the RTI request in this particular case, as per record available in the instant appeal case-file, to the appellant well in time and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to intimate the Commission whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO or not, by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> <u>hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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V/s

Public Information Officer,

(Regd. Post) O/o The Commissioner,

Municipal Corporation, Zone- D,

Ludhiana (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Zonal Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone- D, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 366 of 2020

Present: Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.

None on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 04.02.2019. First appeal is dated 12.05.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 23.01.2020.

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.07.2020, Sh. Inderjit, Assistant Town Planner, Zone – A, appeared in person and stated that requisite information was supplied to the appellant. The appellant stated that partial information was supplied to him by the respondent PIO and as no mail ID of the respondent PIO's office is available on the official website, he could not sent deficiencies to the office of the respondent. As the appellant was not satisfied with the supplied information, an opportunity was given to him to specify the required information, connected with the RTI request in this particular case, in writing, and send the same to the respondent PIO concerned after getting the mail ID of the respondent's office so that information could be provided to him. Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information as per record available in the instant appeal case-file, to the appellant well in time and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the

The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has pointed out certain deficiencies on 28.07.2020 to the office of the respondent at e-mail IDs i.e. <a href="mailto:atpamcludhiana@gmail.com">atpamcludhiana@gmail.com</a> and <a href="mailto:commissionermcl@gmail.com">commissionermcl@gmail.com</a> but till date no information has been given.

appellant to intimate the Commission whether he has received the information or not.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the appellant has also sent a letter dated 05.10.2020, showing that he has pointed out certain deficiencies on 28.07.2020 to the office of the respondent at e-mail IDs i.e. <a href="mailto:atpamcludhiana@gmail.com">atpamcludhiana@gmail.com</a> and <a href="mailto:commissionermcl@gmail.com">commissionermcl@gmail.com</a> but he has not attached the letter dated 28.07.2020 through which he has pointed out deficiencies to the respondent PIO concerned, moreover, the letter sent by the appellant shows that a letter dated 05.10.2020 is sent to the Commission with a copy to the concerned respondent's e-mail IDs i. e. i.e. <a href="mailto:atpamcludhiana@gmail.com">atpamcludhiana@gmail.com</a> and <a href="mailto:commissionermcl@gmail.com">commissionermcl@gmail.com</a> but the letter dated 28.07.2020 is not attached with the same.

Hence, the appellant is advised to send a copy of the letter dated 28.07.2020, through which he has pointed out deficiencies, to the respondent PIO concerned as well as a copy to the Commission.

Another opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the information, after removing the deficiencies (which would be sent by the appellant) to him by registered post or through e-mail before the next date of hearing with a copy to the Commission. He is also directed to represent this case in person or through his representative on the next date of hearing fixed through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings' positively. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information from the respondent PIO or not.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u> <u>hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.</u>

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...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3446 of 2018

Present: Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.

Sh. Manohar Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, in person.

V/s

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 30.05.2018. First appeal is dated 25.07.2018.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.10.2018.

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.07.2020, Sh. Abhay Joshi,

Accountant, who appeared for the respondent PIO, intimated that inspection of the relevant official record was done but the appellant had not identified any information from the case-file of the instant appeal case and demanding documents other than the documents placed in the case-file. An opportunity was given to the appellant to specify the required information, connected with the RTI request in this particular case, in writing, and send the same to the respondent PIO concerned so that information could be provided to him. Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information (which would be specified by the appellant in this particular case), as per record available in the instant appeal case-file, to the appellant well in time and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission. If any information is not available in the case-file, he/she (respondent-PIO concerned) will send a reply in an affidavit to the Commission. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to intimate the Commission whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO concerned.

Appeal Case No. 3446 of 2018

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The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has inspected the relevant official record and identified the required information.

Sh. Manohar Singh, Executive Officer-cum-PIO, who appeared in person, in today's hearing, intimates the Commission that inspection of the relevant official record has been done by the appellant on 01.10.2020 and seeks an adjournment in this case so that the information, identified by the appellant could be supplied to him.

Last opportunity is given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information (which has been identified by the appellant in this particular case), to the appellant and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to intimate the Commission whether he has received the information, which would be supplied to him by the respondent PIO concerned by the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2020 (Monday) at 11:00 A. M. for</u>
hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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First Appellate Authority, O/o The Regional Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Pb., Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 3450 of 2018

Present: Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.

Sh. Manish Kumar, Clerk (Accounts Branch), on behalf of the respondent.

### <u>ORDER</u>

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 17.05.2018. First appeal is dated 29.07.2018.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.10.2018.

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.07.2020, the appellant was not satisfied with the supplied information, hence, an opportunity was given to him to specify the required information, connected with the RTI request in this particular case, in writing, and send the same to the respondent PIO concerned so that information could be provided to him. Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information (which would be specified by the appellant in this particular case), as per record available in the instant appeal case-file, to the appellant well in time and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission. A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Appeal Case No. 3450 of 2018

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The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appeared in person in today's

hearing, states that he has not received the required information till date.

Sh. Manish Kumar, Clerk (Accounts Branch), who appeared on behalf of

the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already

been supplied to the appellant.

He also intimates the Commission that a reply to the show-cause, issued

to the respondent PIO concerned vide orders dated 27.07.2020, has also been sent

vide letter no. 1553 dated 28.09.2020, which has been received in the Commission

through an e-mail alongwith supporting documents. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on

record.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to send a copy of the

information (which has been supplied to the appellant) with a copy of postal-receipt to

the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in

the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the

same could be removed by the respondent concerned or the case would be decided on

merits on the next date of hearing.

The case is adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2020 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for

hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

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First Appellate Authority, O/o The Regional Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Pb., Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 3451 of 2018

Present: Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, the appellant in person.

Sh. Manish Kumar, Clerk (Accounts Branch), on behalf of the respondent.

### <u>ORDER</u>

Heard through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 17.05.2018. First appeal is dated 29.07.2018.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 09.10.2018.

On the last date of hearing, held on 27.07.2020, the appellant was not satisfied with the supplied information, hence, an opportunity was given to him to specify the required information, connected with the RTI request in this particular case, in writing, and send the same to the respondent PIO concerned so that information could be provided to him. Last and final opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information (which would be specified by the appellant in this particular case), as per record available in the instant appeal case-file, to the appellant well in time and send forwarding letter of the same with acknowledgement receipt signed by the appellant to the Commission. A show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

Appeal Case No. 3451 of 2018

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The appellant, Sh. Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has not received the required information till date.

Sh. Manish Kumar, Clerk (Accounts Branch), who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

He also intimates the Commission that a reply to the show-cause, issued to the respondent PIO concerned vide orders dated 27.07.2020, has also been sent vide letter no. 1553 dated 28.09.2020, which has been received in the Commission through an e-mail alongwith supporting documents. It, alongwith annexure, is taken on record.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to send a copy of the information (which has been supplied to the appellant) with a copy of postal-receipt to the Commission, by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned or the case would be decided on merits on the next date of hearing.

The case is <u>adjourned to 3<sup>rd</sup> November</u>, 2020 (Tuesday) at 11:00 A. M. for <u>hearing through facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'</u>.

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