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Shri Prem Kumar Rattan,  
H.No.78/8, Park Road,  
Navi Mandi, Dhuri,  
District Sangrur

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Principal Secretary,  
Technical Education and  
Industrial Training, Punjab,  
Sector-36, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o Principal Secretary,  
Technical Education and  
Industrial Training, Punjab,  
Sector-36, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

**AC No.1636/2020**

**Present:**

- (i) Appellant- appellant
- (ii) Shri Ranjodh Singh, Superintendent/PIO, O/o Principal Secretary,  
Technical Education & Industrial Training, Punjab, Chandigarh,  
in person before the Bench.

**ORDER:**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Ranjodh Singh, Superintendent/PIO O/o Principal Secretary, Technical Education and Industrial Training, Punjab, Chandigarh comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 01.03.2021. He further states that as per directions of the Bench, an affidavit dated 09.03.2021 duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public has also been filed, original copy of which has been sent to the appellant.

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4. To ascertain the position regarding receipt of information, the appellant is contacted on mobile phone. The appellant confirms the receipt of information to his satisfaction and gives his consent to close the case.

5. In view of the above, no further intervention of the Bench is called for. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

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

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Shri Baldev Singh  
S/o Shri Swaran Singh  
R/o B-1-933/7-A,  
New Deep Nagar Street No.5,  
Civil Lines, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
H.R.C. Branch  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Gurdaspur.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Gurdaspur.

....Respondents

**AC No.3085 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) Appellant – absent.  
(ii) None on behalf of the PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Baldev Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend the hearing nor any of his representatives has been deputed to attend the hearing.
4. On perusal of the case file, the Bench finds that a letter dated 11.02.2021 is available in the case file vide which the appellant has informed regarding receipt of information to his satisfaction. As such, the Bench observes that information stands supplied to the appellant.
5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

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Shri Davinder Pal Singh  
S/o Shri Gurdip Singh  
H.No.94, Hargur Niwas,  
New Officers Colony,  
Patiala.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Zone-A, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Zone-A, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

**AC No.3190 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) Appellant - absent  
(ii) Shri Ranjit Singh, Clerk, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana  
on behalf of PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Davinder Pal Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Ranjit Singh, Clerk, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana attends the hearing in person before the Bench on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 28.10.2020 and again vide letter dated 09.01.2021. The appellant was also called to inspect the official records and get the information as per his RTI application, but he has not come to their office.
4. Since the appellant is absent, he is contacted on mobile phone. He states that he has received the information to his satisfaction and gives his consent to close the case.

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**AC No.3190/2020**

5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

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S/o Shri Gurdip Singh  
H.No.94, Hargur Niwas,  
New Officers Colony,  
Patiala.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Zone-A, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Zone-A, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

**AC No.3182 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) Appellant - absent  
(ii) Shri Ranjit Singh, Clerk, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana  
on behalf of PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Davinder Pal Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Ranjit Singh, Clerk, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana attends the hearing in person before the Bench on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 28.10.2020 and again vide letter dated 09.01.2021. The appellant was also called to inspect the official records and get the information as per his RTI application, but he has not come to their office.
4. Since the appellant is absent, he is contacted on mobile phone. He states that he has received the information to his satisfaction and gives his consent to close the case.

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**AC No.3182/2020**

5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

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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**

O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

**AC No.2520 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) Appellant- absent.  
(ii) Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector/APIO, O/o Municipal Corporation.  
Zone-A, Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.

**ORDER:**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 01.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Jagjit Singh has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, O/o Municipal Corporation Zone-A, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in Commission's office at Chandigarh. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 26.11.2020. He further states that he has brought along the original affidavit for handing it over to the appellant before the Bench in person. On the asking of the Bench, he delivers it to the Bench during the hearing.
4. Since Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant is absent, he is contacted on mobile phone. He refers to the e.mail sent by him giving his observations and reservations on information supplied. He is made to talk to Shri Ajay Kumar, representative of the PIO, who clarifies to him the entire position regarding the information supplied. Then the Bench apprises the appellant of the original affidavit filed by the PIO and that the same will be sent to him by registered post.

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5. The Bench regrettfully observes that the RTI application of the appellant is dated 29.10.2019. First Appeal is dated 23.11.2019 and the second appeal was filed on dated 08.09.2020. The PIO has taken considerable time in making the information available to the appellant. The Bench warns the PIO of being careful in future. The Bench, with the filing of the affidavit duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, is convinced that the requisite information as existing in official records has been supplied to the appellant.

6. With the afore said observations, **the appeal case is disposed off.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

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Shri Inderpal Singh,  
S/o Shri Surjit Singh,  
R/o 240-B, Block-B,  
Ahluwalia Colony, Jamalpur,  
District Ludhiana

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Regional Transport Authority,  
Ludhiana.

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

....Respondents

**AC No.1792 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Shri Inderpal Singh, Appellant.**  
(ii) **Shri Amardeep Singh, Clerk O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Ludhiana.**

**ORDER:**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Inderpal Singh comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
3. Shri Amardeep Singh, Clerk, O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Ludhiana also comes present to attend the hearing in person. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant on 19.11.2020 by registered post. He further states that as per directions of Bench, the information has been again sent vide letter dated 26.03.2021 after removing the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant, also indicating therein the facility for which the D.L. has been issued.
4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he has not been supplied complete information as he initially provided details of 12 Card Nos. vide letter dated 18.11.2020 giving names of applicants where as the letter dated 26.03.2021 shows the issuance of 11 number Driving Licenses only. On this the representative of PIO clarifies that as per information generated on Computer, the said letter shows only 11 number Driving Licenses as two card numbers are in the name of one person. However, the appellant is not satisfied with the clarification so given.

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5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper within next 15 days duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, clarifying therein the position as emerges from the letters dated 18.11.2020 and 26.03.2021 and as stated before the Bench. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant by registered post and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, **the appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

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Shri Amarjit Singh,  
# 1089, Sector-67,  
S.A.S.Nagar(Mohali)

...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Punjab Urban Planning &  
Development Authority(PUDA),  
Mohali.

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Patiala Development Authority(PDA),  
Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o AGM (HR), Punjab Urban Planning &  
Development Authority(PUDA),  
Mohali.

....Respondents

**AC No.529 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) Appellant- absent.  
(ii) Shri Sanjeev Kumar, O/o PUDA, Mohali  
(iii) Shri Jiwan Singh, O/o Patiala Development Authority, Patiala.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 11.03.2019 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed on 06.02.2020 with First Appellate Authority. The second appeal was filed by the appellant in the Commission on 21.01.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called the RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.04.2021 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. As such, the case has been heard today in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Shri Amarjit Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing.

3. Shri Sanjeev Kumar O/o Chief Administrator, PUDA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the RTI application was transferred to the PIO O/o Patiala Development Authority, Patiala, vide letter dated 09.03.2021, the information being related to their office. Shri Jiwan Singh O/o Patiala Development Authority, Patiala comes present to attend the hearing

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in person before the Bench and states that the PIO has sent letter dated 31.03.2021 addressed to the Commission with a copy to the appellant to the effect that the information asked for is personal and relates to third party who has objected to the sharing of information relating to him and as such, the information cannot be supplied.

4. The Bench, on perusal of the RTI application as also the reply of PIO, observes that the information sought by the appellant is personal and private information and it is not related to any public interest or activity. The matter is regarding fixation of pay of an individual. It is observed by the Bench that pay fixation has to be in conformity with the Rules/Instructions of the Government and is not the business of any individual as a private citizen.

5. With the aforesaid observations, **the appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

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Shri Gurdeep Singh Kahlon,  
S/o Shri Boorh Singh  
C/o Kahlon Association,  
Opp. Gurudwara Shri Kutia Sahib,  
Jamalpur Chandigarh Road  
Ludhiana.

..... Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer-cum-**  
O/o Estate Officer,  
Greater Ludhiana Area  
Development Authority (GLADA),  
Ludhiana.

....Respondent

**CC No.143 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) **Complainant- absent**  
(ii) **Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk O/o GLADA, Ludhiana,**  
**on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 09.11.2021 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed by the complainant in the Commission on 09.02.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called the RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.04.2021 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. As such, the case has been heard today in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Shri Gurdeep Singh Kahlon, complainant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing. He states that the information has been supplied to the complainant vide letter dated 31.03.2021.

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**CC No.143/2021**

4. Shri Gurdeep Singh Kahlon, complainant is contacted on mobile phone. He confirms the receipt of information and gives his consent to close the case.

5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The complaint case is disposed off and closed.** The copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

**Sd/-  
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S/o Shri Boorh Singh  
C/o Kahlon Association,  
Opp. Gurudwara Shri Kutia Sahib,  
Jamalpur Chandigarh Road  
Ludhiana.

..... Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer-cum-**  
O/o Estate Officer, Greater Ludhiana Area  
Development Authority (GLADA),  
Ludhiana.

**Remanded Back**

Addl. Chief Administrator,  
GLADA, Ludhiana

.... Respondents

**CC No.144 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) **Complainant- absent**  
(ii) **Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk O/o GLADA, Ludhiana,**  
**on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 06.11.2021 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed by the complainant in the Commission on 09.02.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called the RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.04.2021 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. As such, the case has been heard today in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Shri Gurdeep Singh Kahlon, complainant has not come present to attend the hearing.
3. Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in another case CC No.143/2021. On the asking of the Bench, he states that due to frequent transfers of the dealing assistants, the information has not been supplied to the complainant.

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4. The complainant is contacted on mobile phone. He states that no information has been received by him so far. Post deliberations with the complainant, it is ascertained that the complainant has not availed the provision of the Section 19(1) of the RTI Act by filing an appeal with the First Appellate Authority (FAA). As such, the FAA has not been able to address the grievances of the complainant. On enquiring from Shri Narinder Singh, Clerk O/o GLADA, he states that Shri Bhupinder Singh, Additional Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana is the First Appellant Authority.

5. It must be noted that there is an alternate and efficacious remedy of First Appeal available under Section 19(1) of the RTI Act. It appears that the complainant has failed to avail the same in the instant complaint case. The Bench observes that the complainant must be given an opportunity to avail of the above said remedy.

6. In view of the aforesaid, the instant matter is remanded back to the First Appellate Authority i.e. Additional Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana. The Commission hereby directs the FAA to treat the copy of the Complaint (enclosed herewith) as the First Appeal and decide the matter in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act after giving all concerned parties an opportunity to be heard. In case, the complainant is not satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority (FAA), he is at liberty to file second appeal with Punjab State Information Commission in accordance with the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

7. In view of the above, **the case is disposed off and closed.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

**Sd/-**

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

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

**Copy to (By Regd. Post):**

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Addl. Chief Administrator,  
GLADA,Ludhiana.

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Shri K.N. Kakkar,  
Block-M, Flat No.501,  
Jaipuria Sunrise Green,  
VIP Road, Zirakpur,  
District Mohali-140603.

..... Complainant

Versus

**Public Information Officer-cum-**  
O/o President, Jaipuria Sunrise Green  
Apartments Owners Welfare Association,  
Zirakpur.

....Respondent

**CC No.164 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) **Shri K.N. Kakkar, complainant in person.**  
(ii) **Shri Yashwant Singh, Manager, Jaipuria Sunrise Green Apartments  
Owners' Welfare Association, Zirakpur on behalf of the Respondent.**

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 25.11.2021 vide which the Complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. The complaint was filed by the complainant in the Commission on 02.02.2021 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called the RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 07.04.2021 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. As such, the case has been heard today in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Shri K.N. Kakkar, complainant comes present to attend the hearing in person. He states that after filing of complaint by him, the respondent has been making correspondence with him regarding his RTI application but he has not received any information so far.

3. Shri Yashwant Singh, Manager of Jaipuria Sunrise Green Apartments Owners Welfare Association, Zirakpur comes present to attend the hearing. He states that the written submissions have been filed by the Association stating that the Jaipuria Sunrise Green Apartments Owners Welfare Association, Zirakpur is not a public authority as defined under Section 2(h) of the RTI Act. He further



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states that it is private body. He further amplifies that Jaipuria Sunrise Green Apartments Owners Welfare Association, Zirakpur is not funded by the Government directly or indirectly and as such, it does not come within the purview of RTI Act.

4. The Bench, on going through the written submissions of the respondent as also hearing the arguments of Shri Yashwant Singh, reads out the contents of Section 2(h) to the complainant and clarifies to him that the instant complaint case does not come within the ambit of RTI Act. The complainant then agrees to it and gives his consent to close the case.

5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The complaint case is disposed off and closed.** The copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
07.04.2021**

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