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Bench: Sh. Sanjiv Garg, State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Sarabjeet Singh Gill, H. No. 60-35-P-376-1, Street Number 08, Maha Singh Nagar, P.O.- Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana -141014(Punjab)

...Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority, O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana(Punjab)

... Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3079 of 2020

V/s.

Present: Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill, the appellant in person.

Sh. Balwinder Singh, S. D. O. for the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

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

The RTI request is dated 03.06.2019. First appeal is dated 04.07.2019.

Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 22.08.2019.

On the earlier hearing, held on 28.11.2019, a show-cause notice was issued to Public Information Officer of office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana with the directions to supply the required information to the appellant and the case was adjourned for 21.01.2020.

On the hearing, held on 21.01.2020, last opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned to supply the required information to the appellant and the case was adjourned for 18.02.2020.

On the hearing, held on 18.02.2020, Sh. Gurpreet Singh, S. D. O.(Lights), stated that the information, sought by the appellant through RTI request is not specific, moreover, voluminous in nature. The respondent PIO concerned was directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect relevant official record on 12.03.2020 at 01:00 P. M. so that the appellant could identify the information. An opportunity was given to the appellant to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 12.03.2020 at 01:00 P. M. to identify the information. The respondent-PIO concerned was directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant, to him. An opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information, which would be supplied to him after inspection, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed.

In today's hearing, Sh. Balwinder Singh, S. D. O., who appeared in today's hearing, states that in response to the RTI request, the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant.

After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 33 dated 13.07.2020, which has been received in the Commission vide Diary No. 8550 dated 30.07.2020, has intimated the Commission that the requisite information has already been supplied to the appellant in the electronic form i. e. in a CD. It, alongwith CD, is taken on record.

In today's hearing, the appellant, Sh. Sarabjeet Singh Gill, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that he has received the information except point no. 02 of the RTI request.

Sh. Balwinder Singh, S. D. O., states that remaining information at point no. 02 would be given to the appellant positively.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the remaining information at point no. 02 of the RTI request on 09.09.2020 at 11:00 A. M. to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

An opportunity is given to the appellant to visit the office of the respondent on 09.09.2020 at 11:00 A. M. to collect the remaining information.

With this, the case is <u>disposed of and closed</u> with the directions to the respondent PIO concerned to comply with the above-said order under intimation to the Commission.

Date: 7th September, 2020

(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab