



Sh.Trilochan Singh,  
H.No.848A, MIG Jamalpur Colony,  
Ludhiana, Distt.Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o The Secretary  
Regional Transport Authority,  
SAS Nagar (Mohali).

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o The Secretary  
Regional Transport Authority,  
SAS Nagar (Mohali).

....Respondents

**AC No.953 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) Appellant is absent.  
(ii) Sh.Dharminder Singh, Steno O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Mohali  
on behalf of the PIO, in person at Chandigarh.

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 02.08.2019 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 04.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent for the hearing.
4. Shri Dharminder Singh, Steno O/o RTA Mohali comes present in the Commission on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been asked to visit the office of RTA Mohali on any working day to peruse the information related documents as the information asked for is voluminous. The appellant has, however, not responded.
5. The information sought being voluminous, the appellant is now advised to visit the office of PIO on any working day to collect the information by giving prior intimation to the PIO. The PIO will ensure to provide the entire information asked for by the appellant on his visit to their office.

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6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit before the next date of hearing, signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that complete information has been supplied to the Appellant in AC No.953/2020. No other information beyond that is available and nothing has been concealed therein.

7. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 14.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** However, the PIO is directed to come present for the hearing before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
09.06.2020**

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



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Regional Transport Authority,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o State Transport Commissioner,  
Punjab, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.952 of 2020**

**Present:**

- (i) Appellant is absent.
- (ii) Sh.Amardeep Singh, Clerk O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Ludhiana  
on behalf of the PIO.

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 04.10.2019 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 28.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing. He has, however, sent letter dated 07.06.2020 by e-mail stating that he has received reply from the PIO to the effect that the information sought cannot be supplied under provisions of Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act.
4. Shri Amardeep Singh, Clerk O/o RTA Ludhiana comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has already been informed vide letter dated 18.10.2019 that the information sought being third party cannot be supplied as per provisions of section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act.
5. The Bench agrees with the contention of the respondent and finds that no larger public interest is served by providing personal information of a Government employee to the appellant. This promotes no public activity or interest and hence, the information has been correctly denied.
6. In view of the above, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh**  
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Regional Transport Authority,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.955 of 20200**

**Present:**

- (i) **Appellant is absent.**
- (ii) **Sh.Amardeep Singh, Clerk O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 29.10.2019 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 28.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.03.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing. He has, however, sent letter dated 07.06.2020 by e-mail stating that he has received reply from the PIO to the effect that the information sought cannot be supplied under provisions of Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act.
4. Shri Amardeep Singh, Clerk O/o RTA Ludhiana comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has already been informed vide letter dated 18.10.2019 that the information sought being third party, cannot be supplied as per provisions of section 8(1)(j) the RTI Act.
5. The Bench agrees with the contention of the PIO and finds that no larger public interest is served by providing personal information of a Government employee to the appellant. This promotes no public activity or interest and hence, the information has been correctly denied.
6. In view of the above, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sector-17, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.645 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) Appellant is absent.  
(ii) Sh.Gurpal Singh, APIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chd.  
on behalf of the PIO, in person at Chandigarh.

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing. He has, however, sent letter dated 06.06.2020 by e-mail stating that he has not received any information from the PIO.
3. Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab comes present on behalf of the PIO in the Commission. He states that the appellant has already been provided information vide letter dated 19.11.2019. Sh.Gurpal Singh, APIO also produces an affidavit dated 09.06.2020 to this effect, along with photocopy of information shared with the appellant, which is taken on record.
4. From the perusal of the affidavit and its enclosures, the Bench finds that the appellant has been supplied the information as sought by him. The order of the Court stands complied with. Photocopy of the affidavit and its enclosures be sent to the appellant along with the order of the Commission.
5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the instant appeal. **The appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh  
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O/o Director, State Transport, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Director, State Transport, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.646 of 2020**

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

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 17.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing..
3. The PIO has not come present for the hearing in spite of directions of the Commission to appear in person. The PIO has also not filed reply to the show cause and there is nothing available on record to show that complete information has been supplied to the appellant.
4. The PIO is given last opportunity to provide complete information to the appellant as also to file reply to the show cause notice before the next date of hearing.
5. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 14.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** The PIO is also directed to appear in person before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh on the next hearing. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.526 of 2020**

**Present:**

- (i) Appellant is absent.
- (ii) Sh.Gurpal Singh, APIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Chd.  
on behalf of the PIO, in person at Chandigarh.

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.03.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing. He has, however, sent letter dated 06.06.2020 by e-mail stating that he has not received any information from the PIO..
3. Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab comes present on behalf of the PIO in the Commission. He states that the appellant has already been provided information vide letters dated 06.01.2020 & 17.02.2020 Sh.Gurpal Singh, APIO also produces an affidavit dated 09.06.2020 to this effect, along with photocopy of information shared with the appellant, which is taken on record.
4. From the perusal of the affidavit and its enclosures, the Bench finds that the appellant has been supplied the information as sought by him. The order of the Court stands complied with. Photocopy of the affidavit and its enclosures be sent to the appellant along with the order of the Commission.
5. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the instant appeal. **The appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
09.06.2020**

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.....Appellant

Versus

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O/o The Secretary  
Regional Transport Authority,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.851 of 2020**

**Present:**

- (i) Appellant is absent.
- (ii) Sh.Amardeep Singh, Clerk O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Ludhiana  
on behalf of the PIO.

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 04.10.2019 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 28.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.02.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing.
4. Shri Amardeep Singh, Clerk O/o RTA Ludhiana comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has already been supplied the information sought vide letter dated 16.12.2019.
5. The Court examines the documents and finds the response satisfactory. The court also observes that the information has been sent to the appellant through registered post.
6. In view of the above, **the appeal is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
09.06.2020**

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





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H.No.848A, MIG Jamalpur Colony,  
Ludhiana, Distt.Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o The General Manager,  
Punjab Roadways,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-**  
Director, State Transport, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.688 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant is absent.**  
(ii) **Sh.Rajneesh Bansal, Supdt. O/o GM Punjab Roadways, Ludhiana**  
**on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 04.10.2019 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 11.11.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.02.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing. He has, however, sent a letter dated 06.06.2020 by e.mail stating that no information has been received by him.
4. Shri Rajneesh Bansal, Superintendent O/o General Manager, Punjab Roadways, Ludhiana comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been informed vide letter dated 23.12.2019 that the information sought comprises 320 pages and as such, he was asked to collect information from the O/o PIO. The appellant is yet to respond.
5. In view of the averments made by the representative of PIO, the appellant is advised to visit the office of PIO O/o G.M. Punjab Roadways, Ludhiana to collect the information. PIO will hand over the complete information to the appellant.



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6. The PIO is directed to file an affidavit signed by the PIO and duly attested by the Notary Public, before the next date of hearing to the effect that complete information has been supplied to the appellant in AC No.688/2020 and no other information beyond that is available in their official records. The information is correct and authentic. Nothing has been concealed therein.

7. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **14.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
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.....Appellant

Versus

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

**First Appellate Authority-cum-**

Director, State Transport, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.689 of 2020**

**Present:**

- (i) Appellant is absent.
- (ii) Shri Darshan Singh, Senior Assistant O/o Director, State Transport, Pb.,  
on behalf of the PIO.

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 04.10.2019 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 04.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 07.02.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
  2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
  3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing.
  4. Shri Darshan Singh, Senior Assistant comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that complete information has been supplied to the appellant. To ascertain the correctness of Shri Darshan Singh's claim, the appellant was contacted on phone. He confirms having received the complete information in the instant Appeal Case to his satisfaction.
  5. In view of the above, no cause of action is left. **The appeal is disposed off and closed.**
- Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh**  
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Government of Punjab,  
Transport Department,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-2,  
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-**

O/o Principal Secretary to the,  
Government of Punjab,  
Transport Department,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-2,  
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.738 of 2020**

**Present:**

- (i) Appellant is absent.
- (ii) Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.,Chd.  
on behalf of the PIO.

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 29.10.2019 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 04.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 14.02.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing. He has, however, sent letter dated 06.06.2020 by e-mail stating that he has not been supplied any information by the PIO.
4. Shri Gurpal Singh, APIO comes present on behalf of the PIO. He requests for some additional time to supply the information to the appellant.
5. Acceding to the request of APIO Sh.Gurpal Singh, additional time is granted. He is directed to ensure supply of complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing.



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**AC No.738/2020**

6. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 14.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** PIO will attend the hearing in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
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Regional Transport Authority,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Pb.  
Sector-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

**AC No.769 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant is absent.**  
(ii) **Shri Amardeep Singh, Clerk O/o Secretary, RTA Ludhiana.**  
**on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 11.11.2019 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 28.12.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.02.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.

3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Trilochan Singh, appellant is absent today for the hearing. He has, however, sent letter dated 06.06.2020 by e-mail stating that he has not been supplied any information by the PIO.

4. Shri Amardeep Singh, APIO comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that RTI application of the appellant has not been received in their office. As such, reply could not be given. He requests for provision of a copy of the RTI application and some additional time to supply complete information.

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**AC No.769/2020**

5. Acceding to the request of representative of the PIO, additional time is granted. A copy of the RTI application of the appellant be also enclosed with the order. The PIO is directed to ensure supply of complete information to the appellant before the next date of hearing. It is also made clear that no further opportunity will be given to the PIO to supply the information.

7. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 14.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
09.06.2020**

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



Sh.Baljeet Singh  
Civil Engineer,  
64-H, BRS Nagar  
Ludhiana.

.....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.4199 of 2019**

**Present:** (i) Sh.Baljeet Singh, Appellant.  
(ii) Sh. Dalip Soni, Building Inspector, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A,  
Ludhiana on behalf of PIO.

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 18.03.2020 passed by the Bench on the last date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Sh.Baljeet Singh comes present in the Video Conferencing. He states that in spite of his visit to the office of PIO as directed by the Court, he has not been given any information by the PIO.
3. Today, Sh.Dalip Soni, Building Inspector comes present on behalf of the PIO and states that the information asked for by the appellant being voluminous comprising approximately 592 pages, some additional time is required and as such, requests for more time to supply complete information to the appellant..
4. The Bench observes that the PIO has not complied with the directions of Commission as given on the last date of hearing and has failed to give reply to the show cause notice issued to him. The Bench also points out that this is the fifth hearing in the instant appeal case in the Commission and it appears that the PIO is not interested in supplying the information to the appellant. The Bench also takes serious note of the fact that the appellant is being harassed repeatedly.





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**AC No.4199/2019**

5. The Bench felt that it is only just that the appellant be financially compensated at least for the expenditure incurred by him in making trips to the office of PIO in seeking information. As such, I award a compensation of Rs.3000/- (Rupees three thousand only) to the appellant. The compensation amount must be paid by the respondent-PIO concerned through cheque or demand draft in favour of the appellant from the account of the public authority i.e. Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana and not from the individual's account. He is also directed to send a photocopy of the cheque or draft to the Commission.

6. Additional time is granted to the PIO to supply the complete information to the appellant. He is directed to ensure supply of the information to the appellant before the next date of hearing.

7. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. The PIO is directed to come in person on the next date of hearing on **14.07.2020 at 11.30 AM thorough V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties concerned.

**Chandigarh  
09.06.2020**

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



Sh.Baljeet Singh  
Civil Engineer,  
64-H, BRS Nagar  
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

**AC No.896 of 2020**

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

**ORDER**

**Heard through Video Conferencing**

1. The RTI application is dated 03.10.2019 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 25.11.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 26.02.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 09.06.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The case has been heard through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. Shri Baljeet Singh, appellant comes present. He states that he has not been supplied any information by the PIO.
4. Neither the PIO himself has come present nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing nor has supplied any information to the appellant. The Bench takes serious note of these issues.
5. The PIO O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-D, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and to explain 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 the inordinate delay in supply of information to the appellant. 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.



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6. 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.

7. The PIO is directed to come in person on the next date of hearing. He is also given another opportunity to supply the complete information to the appellant failing which the penal consequences shall follow.

8. With the above directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 14.07.2020 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.** Copies of the order be given to the concerned parties.

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