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Shri Gagandeep Singh Threeke, (RTI Activist) H.No.208,Aryan Enclave, Main Sua Road, Near Gita Mandir Chowk, Ludhiana-142028.

.....Appellant

Versus

## **Public Information Officer**

O/o Improvement Trust, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

### AC No.3022 of 2021

Present: (i) Appellant - absent

(ii) Ms. Chetna, Advocate along with Shri Harmit Singh, APIO, Improvement Trust, Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.

#### ORDER:

## (Heard through Cisco Webex/On Mobile Phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.03.2021 passed by the Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The appeal case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Gagandeep Singh Thareeke, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex.
- 3. Ms. Chetna, Advocate along with Shri Harmit Singh, APIO O/o Improvement Trust, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the PIO. The representative of the PIO states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 09.03.2021 and again vide letter dated 08.06.2021. She further states that regarding the issues raised by the appellant, a court case is pending and the matter is sub judice.
- 4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he has not received the information after pointing out deficiencies in the information supplied, with a copy to the Commission.

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He is apprised of the version of representative of the PIO and also an assurance that he will be sent information as also an affidavit today also.

5. The matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 24.08.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Rajinderpal Singh, #3495, Phase-2, MIG Flats, Urban Estate, Dugri, Model Town, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

### **Public Information Officer**

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

### First Appellate Authority-cum-,

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

...Respondents

# AC No. 272 of 2021

## Present: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) Shri Gulshan Kumar, Estate Officer/PIO, GLADA, along with Shri Sumit Singla, Junior Assistant O/o GLADA, Ludhiana,

#### ORDER:

## (Heard through Cisco Webex/on Mobile Phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.03.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Neither the appellant nor his representative Ms. Deepti Saluja, Advocate, who has been authorized by the appellant vide his mail dated 09.06.2021, attends the hearing on his behalf through Cisco Webex.
- 3. Shri Gulshan Kumar, Estate Officer/PIO, GLADA, Ludhiana along with Shri Sumit Singla, Junior Assistant come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that the appellant was sent information vide e.mail on 16.04.2021 and an affidavit has also been filed to this effect, but due to pandemic (second wave) could not be got attested by Notary Public. The needful will be done now.
- 4. Ms. Deepti Saluja is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, she states that the appellant has sought information/documents regarding action taken on his application submitted to GLADA in connection with the possession of a flat allotted to the appellant. She is apprised of the version of PIO. She states that the appellant is not satisfied with the information supplied.

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4. The Bench clarifies to the representative of the appellant that the Commission can only direct the PIO for providing information/ documents and the action regarding delivery of possession of the flat is to be taken by GLADA.

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5. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non- judicial stamp paper within fifteen days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.272/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and statement made is true and correct. Original 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 25.08.2021 before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Harpal Singh, S/o Shri Dewa Singh, R/o Village Gosal Zimidara, PO Majitha, District Amritsar.

.....Appellant

## **Public Information Officer**

O/o Sub Divisional Officer, Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. Majitha, District Amritsar.

# First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Engineer, Border Zone, Punjab State Power Corporation Ltd. (PSPCL), Amritsar.

....Respondents

### AC No.208 of 2021

Versus

Present: (i) Shri Harpal Singh, Appellant along with Shri Sukhchain Singh

(ii) Shri Rajiv Kumar, SDO, O/o PSPCL, Amritsar on behalf of the PIO.

#### **ORDER:**

## (Heard through Cisco Webex /on Mobile Phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 24.03.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Harpal Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex.
- 3. Shri Rajiv Kumar, S.D.O., PSPCL, Majitha, District Amritsar comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that in compliance with the directions of Hon'ble Bench, the appellant was called two-three times to visit and inspect the record and he visited his office on 11.05.2021. He was shown all the relevant records and the information was given to him in a Pendrive. The information was again sent by e.mail also.
- 4. The appellant Shri Harpal Singh is contacted on mobile phone. He makes the Bench to talk to one Shri Sukhchain Singh, authorized by him to attend the hearing. He states that the information received in the pen drive by the appellant is incomplete/incorrect and it does not show para wise reply. As such, complete information duly attested may be got supplied.



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- 4. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of the PIO states that the information as available in the official records has been provided to the appellant and the same cannot be supplied in the manner in which information has been sought by the appellant. Moreover, at the time of his visit, the appellant was shown complete records related to his RTI application and he had expressed his satisfaction also.
- 5. Though the Bench is convinced that the information/documents as available in the official records have been supplied to the appellant during his visit on 11.05.2021 and the appellant had expressed his satisfaction to the representative of the PIO, but now, to say that the same is incomplete and incorrect, is not tenable and it amounts to wastage of the time of a public authority. However, the request of the appellant is acceded to and he is given another hearing. The PIO is directed to depute any of his representatives to attend the hearing and bring along all the relevant official records and produce before the Bench at Chandigarh.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 25.08.2021 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 Manjinder Singh R/o #2469, Sunny Enclave Sector-125, Kharar, District SAS Nagar (Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

### **Public Information Officer**

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

# First Appellate Authority

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

....Respondents

### AC No.1422 of 2020

Present: (i) Shri Manjinder Singh, Appellant.

(ii) Mrs. Manreet Kaur, APIO O/o Secretary, RTA, Jalandhar

on behalf of the PIO.

## **ORDER:**

## (Heard through Cisco Webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 02.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 27.04.2021 was postponed
- 2. The case been heard today through Cisco Webex. The appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has not been supplied any information by the PIO.
- 3. Mrs. Manreet Kaur, APIO attends the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the PIO O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Jalandhar. She states that copies of challans were asked for by the appellant for which he was asked to deposit Rs.80/- for 40 challans in December, 2019 which have not been deposited, as such, information was not supplied to him.
- 4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant refutes the version of the APIO and clarifies that he was asked vide letter dated 20.12.2019 to deposit an amount of Rs.80/- for the information comprising photocopies of 40 challans which has been deposited by him with the PIO as per order dated 16.1.12020 of the Bench but in spite of that, he has not been supplied information so far.

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- 5. On hearing the version of the appellant and the APIO, the Bench observes that the APIO has not up-dated herself with the facts of the case. She is also apprised that on the previous three hearings, none of the official on behalf of the PIO has come present to attend the hearing. The reply to the show cause notice has also not been filed. This reflects poorly on the functioning of the office of Secretary, R.T.A. Jalandhar.
- 6. The Bench directs the PIO to supply complete information to the appellant and comply with the directions of the Bench as also to attend the next hearing in person before the Bench.
- 7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 25.08.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Inderpal Singh,
S/o Shri Surjit Singh
R/o 1558/1, Amarpura,
Ludhiana.
Presently: #240, Block-B,
Ahluwalia Colony, Jamalpur
District Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

## **Public Information Officer**

O/o Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Superintendent, Tehbazari Branch, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

#### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Nodal Officer, RTI Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

### **Public Information Officer**

O/o Horticulture Branch, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

## First Appellate Authority-cum-

The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

#### AC No.1559 of 2020

Versus

**Present:** (i) Shri Inderpal Singh, appellant.

- (ii) Ms. Kashish Garg, Building Inspector, Zone-C, M.C.,Ludhiana.
- (iii) None on behalf of PIO, Horticulture Branch, M.C.Ludhiana.
- (iv) Shri Sanjeev Ulppal, Superintendent/PIO, Tehbazari Branch,

M.C. Ludhiana

## ORDER:

#### (Heard through Cisco Webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 02.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 27.04.2021 was postponed.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. The appellant Shri Inderpal Singh comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has not received information as per his RTI application.

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- 3. Ms. Kashish Garg, Building Inspector, Building/Drawing Branch, Zone-C, M.C. Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO and states no action is required to be taken on the complaint of the appellant by Building/Drawing Branch. Shri Sanjeev Ulppal, Superintendent, Tehbazari Branch Zone-C, M.C. Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex and states that the site as mentioned in the RTI application, relates to National Highway Authority of India and the Tehbazari Branch, Municipal Corporation is only concerned with temporary encroachments by Rehri/Pharhi owners and not any other encroachment. The PIO, Horticulture Branch, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, has not come present to attend the hearing, but has sent a letter dated 26.04.2021 that the site about which information has been sought does not relate to Municipal Corporation and as such, no such information is available in Horticulture Branch.
- 4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he has sought information on the complaint made by him regarding un-authroised construction raised by an eminent industrialist on the G.T. Road, Sherpur Kalan and had also sent remainders in this regard.
- 5. The Bench observes that for the matter regarding supply of information, the matter is passed on from one branch to another which is highly regrettable. It is incumbent upon the Nodal Officer, RTI, M.C. Ludhiana who is also impleaded as respondent, to get the information supplied from the Braches to which the information relates but he has failed to do so.
- 6. All the concerned PIOs and Nodal Officer, RTI are again directed to supply information to the appellant relating to their Branches and attend the next hearing in person before the Bench.
- 7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 25.08.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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