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Shri Rohit Sabharwal, Kundan Bhawan, 126,Model Gram,Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1148 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur on behalf of the Appellant

(ii) Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector O/o Zone-A,

M.C. Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
- 3. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector comes present on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant was called to office of PIO to inspect the records. However, the appellant did not turn up.
- 4. Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate, comes present on behalf of the appellant. She states that the PIO was directed to call the appellant for inspection of records, but call for inspection was made only on 09 March, 2021 barely 24 hours before the scheduled hearing and after over four months since the last hearing took place. The PIO has not complied with the directions of the Bench and supply of information has been substantially delayed as the RTI application is of October, 2019 vintage.

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- 5. The Bench observes that the directions given by the Bench have not been complied with by the PIO and no reply to the show cause notice has been filed. The Bench furthers observes that apart from the delay in supplying the information to the appellant, the appellant has been put to a lot of harassment by the PIO due to their casual and unresponsive approach. The Bench thus feels that it is a just case for the award of compensation and awards a compensation of Rs.5000/- (Rupees Five thousand only) to the appellant. The compensation amount must be paid by the respondent PIO concerned through cheque or demand draft in favour of Rohit Sabharwal from the account of the public authority and not from the individual's account. He is also directed to send a photocopy of the cheque or draft to the
- 6. The PIO is again directed to call the appellant to his office on 19.04.2021at 11.30 AM to peruse the official records and to identify the information/documents required by him. The information so identified by the appellant will be provided by the PIO, duly attested, before the next hearing.
- 7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 31.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-

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Public Information Officer.

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer.

O/o Superintendent, RTI (HQs.), Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2919 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur on behalf of the Appellant

(ii) Shri Satish Kumar, Building Inspector O/o Zone-C, M.C.

Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 29.06.2020 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 09.08.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.10.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 10.03.2021 by the Commission through V.C. and accordingly, the case has been heard today through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.
- 3. Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate, comes present on behalf of the appellant. She states that RTI application is addressed to Zone-A of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana and actually, it has to be transferred to concerned Zone by



the Nodal Officer, RTI (HQ) and the information is to be supplied by Zone-C. She further states that till date, no information has been supplied to the appellant.

- 4. Post deliberations and considering the submissions made by the representative of the appellant, Nodal Officer, RTI (HQs), Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana is impleaded as respondents No.2. He is directed to supply the requisite information to the appellant before the next hearing.
- 5. The Nodal Officer/ Superintendent, RTI (HQs.), Shri Rohit Sahota is also issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him for not transferring the RTI application to the concerned Zone of M.C. in time and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for not supplying 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.
- 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. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 31.05.2021 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 Sarabjeet Singh Gill, H.No.60-35, P-376-1, Street No.8, Maha Singh Nagar, P.O: Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1181 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, M.C., Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order 26.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
- 3. Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the appellant. The representative of the appellant states that till date, the appellant has not received any information.
- 4. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant. The representative again denies having received any information.

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- 5. Post deliberations, the Bench direct the PIO to call the appellant to his office on 15.03.3021 at 3.00 PM and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, on inspection of records, will identify the information required by him and the same will be provided by the PIO before the next hearing.
- 6. The PIO is further directed to bring along the original affidavit and produce the same before the Bench. The PIO is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice issued on 31.08.2020.
- 7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.05.2021 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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...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1182 of 2020

<u>PRESENT</u>: (i) Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the appellant.

(ii) Shri Sunil Kumar, ATP (HQ), Zone-B, M.C. Ludhiana

(iii) Shri Satish Kumar, ATP/PIO Zone-C, M.C. Ludhiana

(iv) Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order 26.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
- 3. Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the appellant.
- 4. Shri Satish Kumar, ATP/PIO, Zone-C states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 14.01.2020. Shri Sunil Kumar, ATP(HQ) Zone-B and Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana attend the hearing through V.C. and state that the information has been supplied to the appellant.



AC No.1182/2020

5. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of the appellant states that the appellant is not satisfied with the information supplied. He states that the appellant has sought information relating to the action taken against commercial activities in residential areas which has not been supplied.

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- 6. Shri Satish Kumar, ATP/PIO, Zone-C states that the entire information is available in the master plan of Municipal Corporation which can be accessed from its website and no separate details are maintained in documents/files. The clarification given by the PIO, Zone-C is endorsed by the PIO, Zone-B and representative of PIO, Zone-A of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana. The PIO
- 7. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIOs of Zone-A, Zone-B & Zone-C to call the appellant to their respective offices and allow him access to the relevant official records as also to apprise him of the official website and its link to access the same. They will provide the appellant information as may be identified by the appellant.
- 8. After the information is supplied to the appellant, the PIOs of Zone-A, B & C of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana will file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper separately, before the next hearing, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information is available in the master plan of Municipal Corporation which can be accessed from its official website and whatever information is available in the official records in AC No.1182/2020 has been supplied to the appellant. The statement made is correct and authentic. Original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission.
- 9. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.05.2021 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 Gurmej Lal, H.No.6375, St. No.16, Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Backside Bachan Gas Agency, Near Mair Di Chakki, P.O:Daba, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer.

O/o Commissioner, Establishment Branch, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1178 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Shri Gurmej Lal, appellant.

(ii) Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector-cum-APIO, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 31.08.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing..
- 2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
- 3. The appellant Shri Gurmej Lal, comes present to attend the hearing. He states that he has not been provided any information so far.
- 4. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector-cum-APIO comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He reiterates what was stated during the previous hearings.

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- AC No.1178/2020
- The Bench observes that the PIO O/o Establishment Branch, Municipal 5. Corporation, Ludhiana has not come present nor has filed reply to the show cause notice issued earlier. He has also not reported compliance with the directions given during the previous hearing. The PIO, Establishment Branch is given another opportunity to comply with the directions of the Bench.
- During deliberations on the instant appeal case, the Bench observes that the appellant Shri Gurmej Lal is not fully aware of the contents of RTI application and appeal case filed by him and he is being continuously tutored by Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia present during the hearing at the V.C. venue. The Bench takes note of it and directs Shri Dhamotia not to intervene and maintain the decorum during the hearing. Shri Gurmej Lal leaves the hearing along with Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, without the permission of the Bench. This type of behavior on the part of appellant as well as Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia is regrettable.
- 7. The PIOs of Zone-A and PIO Establishment Branch are directed to file an affidavit, before next hearing, as per directions given on the previous hearing.
- 8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for** hearing on 31.05.2021 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 Kamaljit Singh, # 395-L. Model Town, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-C Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer

Sub Divisional Officer O&M Cell Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Deputy Director, Local Govt., Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1185 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Shri Kamaljit Singh, the appellant.

(ii) Shri Satish Kumar, PIO, Zone-C, M.C. Ludhiana

(iii) Shri Harbans Singh, APIO, Property Tax Branch, Zone-C,

M.C. Ludhiana.

(iv) Shri Dilpreet Singh,O&M Cell, Zone-C, M.C. Ludhiana.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.10.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
- 3. The appellant Sh.Kamaljit Singh comes present to attend the hearing and states that as per directions of Bench, he visited the office of PIO Zone-C, M.C. Ludhiana twice and was shown records from 1985 onwards. However, he was denied access to the records of 1984. He has been supplied information partially from 2001 to 2013. However, it is incomplete information and he is not satisfied.



AC No.1185/2020

4. Shri Satish Kumar, PIO Zone-C comes present to attend the hearing. He states that the record of 1984 is not available in their official records and further states that the information relating to Zone-C, Drawing & Building Branch has been supplied to the appellant. Shri Harbans Singh comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of Property Tax Branch. He states that the information has provided vide letter dated 21.12.2020 and an affidavit dated 18.12.2020 has also been filed. Shri Dilpreet Singh, representative of PIO, Zone-C, O&M Cell, comes present to attend the hearing and states that necessary information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 19.01.2021.

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- The Bench observes that the appellant has not been shown the entire record on his visits to the Municipal Corporation. The Bench again directs Shri Satish Kumar, ATP/PIO, Zone C, Drawing & BuildingBranch, Shri Vivek Verma. Superintendent, Non Technical, Zone-C and the PIO/ Sub Divisional Officer, O&M Cell, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhian to again call the appellant to their office and allow him access to all the relevant official records to enable him to identify the balance information as required by him. The PIOs concerned are directed to provide photocopies of the information so identified by the appellant.
- 6. The PIOs concerned, after supply of information, are also directed to file affidavit afresh on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested

AC No.1185/2020

by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information in AC No.1185/2020 as available in the official records has been provided to the appellant and nothing has been concealed therein. The statement is correct and authentic. Original copy of affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

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7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 31.05.2021 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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...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2322 of 2020

PRESENT:

- (i) Appellant.- absent
- (ii) Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing/On Mobile Phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.10.2020 passed by the Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through V.C. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C. However, e.mail dated 08.03.2021 has been received requesting for hearing him through Cisco Webex and that no information has been received by him.
- 3. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana attends the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information sought by the appellant has been supplied vide letter dated 23.10.2020 and again on 18.12.2020.

AC No.2322/2020

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asking of the Bench regarding his absence as also on apprising him of the version of

Since the appellant is absent, he is contacted on mobile phone. On the

representative of the PIO, he states that he is out of station today and he has sent an

e.mail in this regard requesting for hearing him Cisco Webex. The appellant denies

to have received the information.

4.

5. The Bench observes that it is unfortunate that the appellant knowing

fully well that hearing of the appeal case is scheduled for today, ignores the date and

decides to go out of station on the date of hearing. The Bench, however, directs the

PIO to send the information again to the appellant by registered post.

6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper

duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, as per directions given on

the previous hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for**

hearing on 31.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at

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...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2328 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Appellant.- absent

(ii) Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing/On Mobile Phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.10.2020 passed by the Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through V.C. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C. However, e.mail dated 08.03.2021 has been received requesting for hearing him through Cisco Webex and that no information has been received by him.
- 3. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana attends the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information sought by the appellant has been supplied vide letter dated 23.10.2020 and again on 18.12.2020.

AC No.2328/2020

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Since the appellant is absent, he is contacted on mobile phone. On the

asking of the Bench regarding his absence as also on apprising him of the version of

representative of the PIO, he states that he is out of station today and he has sent an

e.mail in this regard requesting for hearing him Cisco Webex. The appellant denies

to have received the information.

4.

5. The Bench observes that it is unfortunate that the appellant knowing

fully well that hearing of the appeal case is scheduled for today, ignores the date and

decides to go out of station on the date of hearing. The Bench, however, directs the

PIO to send the information again to the appellant by registered post.

6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper

duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, as per directions given on

the previous hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for**

hearing on 31.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at

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...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2329 of 2020

PRESENT:

- (i) Appellant.- absent
- (ii) Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing/On Mobile Phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 26.10.2020 passed by the Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today through V.C. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C. However, e.mail dated 08.03.2021 has been received requesting for hearing him through Cisco Webex and that no information has been received by him.
- 3. Shri Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana attends the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information sought by the appellant has been supplied vide letter dated 23.10.2020 and again on 18.12.2020.

AC No.2329/2020

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4. Since the appellant is absent, he is contacted on mobile phone. On the

asking of the Bench regarding his absence as also on apprising him of the version of

representative of the PIO, he states that he is out of station today and he has sent an

e.mail in this regard requesting for hearing him Cisco Webex. The appellant denies

to have received the information.

5. The Bench observes that it is unfortunate that the appellant knowing

fully well that hearing of the appeal case is scheduled for today, ignores the date and

decides to go out of station on the date of hearing. The Bench, however, directs the

PIO to send the information again to the appellant by registered post.

6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper

duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, as per directions given on

the previous hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for**

hearing on 31.05.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at

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Shri Jasbir Singh Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Bolapur Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh, District Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

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

First Appellate Authority-cum-

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

...Respondents

Appeal Case No.2912 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) Shri Gurbaksh Singh, Draftsman/ APIO, O/o S.T.C. Punjab, Chandigarh, in person before the Bench.

ORDER:

(Contacted on Mobile Phone)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 06.07..2020 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 06.08.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.10.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. Notice of hearing has been issued to the parties by the Commission for 10.03.2021 through V.C. in D.C. Office, Ludhiana. Accordingly, the case has been heard today through V.C.
- 3. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C. He has, however, sent a letter dated 16.02.2021 stating that he has not received any information with regard to the action taken on his complaints regarding Driving Test Tracks.

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4. Shri Gurbaksh Singh, Draftsman/APIO O/o S.T.C. Punjab, Chandigarh comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 10.03.2021 as also by e.mail. He also produces a copy of the letter dated 10.03.2021 before the Bench.

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- 5. Shri Jasbir Singh, appellant is contacted on mobile phone and is apprised of the version of APIO present. Then he is made to talk to the APIO who explains him the position regarding the information sought and supplied. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he has yet to examine the information supplied and requests for another date.
- 6. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 31.05.2021 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 Baljit Singh, Civil Engineer,RTI Activist R/o #64-H, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana-141012.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority O/o Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 2918 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Appellant.- absent

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Contacted on Mobile Phone)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 19.05.2020 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 23.06.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.10.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. Notice of hearing has been issued to the parties by the Commission for 10.03.2021 through V.C. in D.C. Office, Ludhiana. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C. However, e.mail dated 09.03.2021 has been received stating that he is admitted in the C.M.C. Hospital, Ludhiana and as such, is not in a position to attend the hearing. He further states that the information provided is incomplete and he is not satisfied with the same.
- 3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend the hearing through V.C. nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on his behalf.



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4. The matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.05.2021 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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.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Dinanagar, District Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No.3459 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

ORDER:

(Contacted on Mobile Phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.02.2021 passed by the Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. Due to non-connectivity of the V.C. facility in D.C. Office, Pathankot, the hearing could not be done through V.C.
- 3. Shri Sanjeev Thakur, appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He states that no information has been supplied to him. He is apprised of the version made by the PIO in his letter dated 27.01.2021 regarding non deposit of fee for the supply of information. He states that a fee of more than Rs.20,000/- has been demanded without giving the details and is illogical.

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- 4. The PIO Shri Jatinder Mahajan, Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Dinanagar, District Gurdaspur is contacted on mobile phone. He reiterates his version regarding non deposit of fee by the appellant for supply of information.
- 5. Post deliberations, the PIO is directed to call the appellant to his office on any working day and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant will identify the information as required by him. The information so identified by the appellant will be provided by the PIO by charging the prescribed fee as per the number of pages supplied.
- 6. The matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 31.05.2021 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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