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Shri Gulshan Kumar,  
# 1525/1, Street No.33,  
Preet Nagar, Shimlapuri,  
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

**AC No.2363 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) Appellant- absent.  
(ii) None on behalf of PIO, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana,

**ORDER:**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.11.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Gulshan Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex.
3. Neither the PIO Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana has come present nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. However, an e.mail dated 10.05.2022 has been received from Shri Vishal Rampal, Building Inspector, Building/Drawing Branch, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, stating that he has to attend an urgent case in a court, as such, he is unable to attend the hearing and has requested for another date of hearing.
4. Acceding to the request of the representative of PIO, the matter is adjourned. The PIO is, however, directed to comply with the directions as given on the previous hearing, in its entirety.

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**AC No.2363/2020**

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 26.07.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
10.05.2022**

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Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

**AC No.2366 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant- absent.**  
(ii) **None on behalf of PIO, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana,**

**ORDER:**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.11.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Gulshan Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex.
3. Neither the PIO Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana has come present nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. However, an e.mail dated 10.05.2022 has been received from Shri Vishal Rampal, Building Inspector, Building/Drawing Branch, Zone-A, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, stating that he has to attend an urgent case in a court, as such, he is unable to attend the hearing and has requested for another date of hearing.
4. Acceding to the request of the representative of PIO, the matter is adjourned. The PIO is, however, directed to comply with the directions as given on the previous hearing, in its entirety.

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**AC No.2366/2020**

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 26.07.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
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Er. R.C. Tandon,  
#146, Urban Estate,  
PO Chachoki, Phagwara,  
District Kapurthala.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Jalandhar Development Authority,  
Jalandhar.

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Estate Officer,  
Jalandhar Development Authority,  
Jalandhar.

**First Appellate Authority-cum**

Estate Officer,  
Jalandhar Development Authority,  
Jalandhar.

....Respondents

**AC No.2502 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant- absent.**  
(ii) **Shri Pawan Kumar, SDO, Public Health/PIO,  
O/o Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar, in person.**

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.11.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri R.C. Tandon has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex. However, certain letters received from him are available in the case file vide which he has stated that information supplied to him is incomplete.
3. Shri Pawan Kumar, S.D.O. Public Health/PIO, Jalandhar Development Authority, Jalandhar/PIO comes present to attend the hearing in person. He states that the information, as received from the APIO O/o Estate Officer (Regulatory), J.D.A. Jalandhar, has been supplied to the appellant. He also produces before the Bench the original affidavit of the APIO O/o Estate Officer (Regulatory), J.D.A. Jalandhar, attested by the Notary Public.

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**AC No.2502/2021**

4. The Bench, on perusal of the affidavit, observes that the same has not been got prepared on a non-judicial stamp paper as directed by the Bench and thus, the same is not accepted. The Bench also observes that the reply to the show cause notice has also not been filed by the APIO O/o Estate Officer, Regulatory, J.D.A. Jalandhar.

5. The APIO O/o Estate Officer, Jaladhar Development Authority, Jalandhar is directed to file reply to the show cause notice as also to file a fresh affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper duly signed by the APIO and attested by the Notary Public, as directed on the previous hearing. The PIO, J.D.A. Jalandhar and the APIO O/o Estate Officer, Jaladhar Development Authority, Jalandhar are also directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 24.05.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
10.05.2022**

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

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Chief Administrator,  
Grater Ludhiana Area Development  
Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Chief Administrator,  
Grater Ludhiana Area Development  
Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana.

....Respondents

**AC No.1878 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant- absent.**  
(ii) **Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana,**  
**on behalf of the PIO/Respondent**

**ORDER**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.11.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Jasbir Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through Cisco Webex.
3. Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. But due to audio problem in connectivity through cisco webex, the APIO is contacted on mobile phone. On the asking of the Bench, he states that the information as asked for by the appellant, is in question form, and thus, has not been supplied.
4. The Bench, on perusal of the RTI application of the appellant, observes that the information sought by the appellant is in the public interest and over-rules the contention of the PIO and directs the PIO to make available the information to the appellant before the next hearing. He is also directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

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**AC No.1878/2021**

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 26.07.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
10.05.2022**

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Shri Avtar Singh  
S/o Late Shri Daljit Singh,  
Village & PO Chuharwali,  
Tehsil Adampur,  
District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o District Development and  
Panchayat Officer,  
Kapurthala.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o District Development and  
Panchayat Officer,  
Kapurthala.

....Respondents

**AC No.3572 of 2021**

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

**ORDER**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 09.11.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Avtar Singh, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through cisco webex.
3. The PIO O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer, Kapurthala has also not come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex.
4. The Bench observes that during the previous hearing also, the PIO was absent and he is absent for today's hearing also. He has also failed to supply information to the appellant in spite of a lapse of more than one year. The PIO O/o D.D.P.O. Kapurthala is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and 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 failing to appear for the hearing and 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.

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**AC No.3572/2021**

5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for 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 proceedings against him ex-parte.

6. The Bench directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant as sought vide his RTI application before the next hearing and also to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 27.07.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
10.05.2022**

**Sd/-  
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Shri Kuldip Singh Walia  
S/o Late Shri Harjit Singh  
R/o Flat No.B004, Sushma Joynest,  
Moh-1, Airport Road PR-7, Chhatt,  
Zirakpur, District S.A.S.Nagar(Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Chief Engineer,  
Operation, South,  
PSPCL, Patiala..

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Chief Engineer,  
Operation, South,  
PSPCL, Patiala..

....Respondents

**AC No.4995 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant- absent.**  
(ii) **Shri Abhishek Saini, Assistant Engineer and Smt. Shelly Sharma, UDC, Sub Division, PSPCL, Dhakauli (Zirakpur), District S.A.S. Nagar, in person.**

**ORDER**

**(Heard in person/on Mobile Phone)**

1. The RTI application is dated 28.05.2021 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 16.08.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 01.11.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 10.05.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Kuldip Singh Walia, appellant has neither come present to attend the hearing in person nor through Cisco Webex. He has, however, sent an e.mail that due to ill health, he may not be able to attend the court, but he will be available through audio/video/WhatsApp. However, he is not available as stated by him. He alleges in his e.mail that the PIO is not supplying information intentionally on the plea of third party information.

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**AC No.4995/2021**

4. The representative of PIO states that the reply has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 16.08.2021 to the effect that the information sought by him is third party information and on seeking its consent, the said party has denied to share their information vide letter dated 13.08.2021.

5. Post deliberations with the representatives of PIO as also going through the contents of RTI Application, the Bench does not agree with the representatives of PIO and over rules the contention raised in this regard. The Bench directs the PIO to make available the information to the appellant before the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 26.07.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh  
10.05.2022

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

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**Superintending Engineer, Distribution Division, PSPCL, Zirakpur, Distt. Mohali**  
**To ensure compliance of the directions of the Bench.**

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Shri Kuldip Singh Walia  
S/o Late Shri Harjit Singh  
R/o Flat No.B004, Sushma Joynest,  
Moh-1, Airport Road PR-7, Chhatt,  
Zirakpur, District S.A.S.Nagar(Mohali).

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**  
O/o Environmental Engineer,  
Punjab Pollution Control Board,  
Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority**  
O/o Deputy Controller (F&A),  
Punjab Pollution Control Board,  
Patiala.

....Respondents

**AC No.4994 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) **Appellant- absent.**  
(ii) **Ms. Jasmine Singh, Advocate on behalf of the PIO/Respondent, in person.**

**ORDER**

**(Heard in person/on Mobile Phone)**

1. The RTI application is dated 14.07.2021 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 16.08.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 01.11.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 10.05.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Kuldip Singh Walia, appellant has neither come present to attend the hearing in person nor through Cisco Webex. He has, however, sent an e.mail that due to ill health, he may not be able to attend the court, but he will be available through audio/video/WhatsApp. However, he is not available as stated by him. He alleges in his e.mail that the PIO is not supplying information intentionally on the plea of third party information.

3. Ms. Jasmine Singh, Advocate comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench on behalf of the PIO. She states that the appellant has sought copy of the application

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**AC No.4994/2021**

submitted by Joynest MOH 1, Chhatt, Zirakpur to get NOC for their property and related information. She further states that the appellant has been given reply wherein the appellant has been declined information vide letter dated 02.09.2021 on the plea that the information sought by him is third party.

5. Post deliberations with the representative of PIO as also going through the contents of RTI Application, the Bench does not agree with the representative of PIO and over-rules the contention raised in this regard. The Bench directs the PIO to make available the information to the appellant before the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 26.07.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
10.05.2022**

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RTI Activits, President, Whistle Blower,  
NCAG Office, Ludhiana  
#1331-5, Street No.5,  
Near Vishawkarma Bhawan,  
Down Canal Road, Shimlapuri,  
Ludhiana-141003.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Chief Administrator,  
GLADA, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Chief Administrator,  
GLADA, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

**AC No.5066 of 2021**

**Present:** (i) **Shri Gurmej Lal, on behalf of the Appellant.**  
(ii) **Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana on behalf of PIO.**

**ORDER**

**(Heard through cisco webex)**

1. The RTI application is dated 22.07.2021 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 23.08.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 08.11.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 10.05.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Gurmej Lal comes come present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex, on behalf of the appellant. He states that in spite of several visits to the office of PIO, the appellant has not been provided any information.
3. Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO O/o GLADA comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO through cisco webex. He does not seem to be conversant with the case and asks for another hearing.

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**AC No.5066/2021**

4. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official records. The appellant, after inspection of records, will identify the information sought by him. Thereafter, the PIO will supply information to the appellant as may be identified by him, before the next hearing. The PIO is also directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 26.07.2022 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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