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Shri Tejinder Singh
Civil Courts, Tehsil Complex,
Backside Sanjh Kender,
Phillaur-144410
District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Greater Ludhiana Area
Development Authority (GLADA),
Ludhiana.

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

....Respondents

AC No.1694 of 2021

Present: (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant.**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent**

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex/On Mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 11.08.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has not received the information yet.
3. Neither the PIO, GLADA, Ludhiana has come present nor has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO, GLADA (Regulatory Wing) who had attended the previous hearing, is contacted on mobile phone. He states that an official of GLADA has been directed to attend the hearing through cisco webex. However, the Bench observes that nobody is present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. The Bench further observes that though the PIO claims to have supplied the information vide letter dated 09.08.2021, but he has failed to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex or to depute any of his representatives to attend the hearing. This attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.

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4. The PIO is O/o Estate Officer, GLADA, Ludhiana 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 complying with the directions of the Bench. 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.

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 PIO is directed to ensure to supply information to the appellant before the next hearing and bring along the entire relevant record and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 09.02.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
10.11.2021**

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Shri Rajwinder Singh
S/O Shri Swarn Singh,
H.No.149, Street No.6,
Guru Nanak Nagar,
Village Gill, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Bathinda Development Authority,
Bathinda.

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

First Appellate Authority
O/o Chief/Incharge,
Bathinda Development Authority,
Bathinda.

....Respondents

AC No.1696 of 2021

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Pankaj Kalia, Senior Assistant, O/o B.D.A. Bathinda,
on behalf of the PIO/Respondent

ORDER

(Heard Through Cisco Webex/On Mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 11.08.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex/on mobile phone. Shri Rajwinder Singh has not come present to attend the hearing in person or through Cisco Webex.
3. Shri Pankaj Kalia, Senior Assistant, O/o B.D.A. Bathinda comes present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that the information sought by the appellant does not relate to B.D.A. and it relates to GLADA, Ludhiana and that they have transferred the RTI application to GLADA, Ludhiana.
4. Shri Rajwinder Singh, appellant is contacted on mobile phone. In spite of repeated attempts to contact him, his mobile phone is found to be switched off.
5. The representative of the PIO O/o Chief Administrator, Bathinda Development Authority, Bathinda is apprised that show cause notice was issued to the PIO, to which no reply has been received by the Bench and that no letter regarding transfer of the RTI application has been received by the Bench.



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6. As per version of the representative of PIO, the Public Information Officer O/o Estate Officer, GLADA is impleaded as Respondent No.2. He is directed to supply information to the appellant before the next hearing.

7. The PIO O/o B.D.A., Bathinda is directed to file reply to the show cause notice mentioning therein the factual position regarding the transfer of RTI application to the PIO O/o Estate Officer, GLADA, Ludhiana before the next hearing. The PIO O/o B.D.A. Bathinda as also the PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana are directed to ensure to come present before the Bench on the next hearing.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 09.02.2022 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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Shri Rohit Sabharwal,
RTI Activist,
126, Model Gram,
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Grater Ludhiana Area Development
Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Grater Ludhiana Area Development
Authority(GLADA), Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1766 of 2021

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

ORDER

(Heard on Mobile phone)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 11.08.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Neither the appellant nor his representative Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur has come present to attend the hearing in person or through Cisco Webex. However, an e.mail dated 10.11.2021 has been received from Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur to exempt personal appearance.
3. Neither the PIO, GALDA, Ludhiana has come present nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO, GLADA (Regulatory Wing) who had attended the previous hearing is contacted on mobile phone. He states that an official of GLADA has been directed to attend the hearing through cisco webex. However, the Bench observes that nobody is present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. The Bench observes that the PIO has not supplied information and has also failed to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex or to depute any of his representatives to attend the hearing. This attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely.
4. Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur is contacted on mobile phone. She refers to her e.mail dated 10.11.2021 stating therein that the PIO is not supplying information and is only giving vague reply and further states that the appellant is not satisfied with the reply of PIO so far. She also states that the appellant has not been called for inspection of records, as directed by the Bench.

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Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

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Authority(GLADA), Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1767 of 2021

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

ORDER

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Shri Shishu Paul Verma,
#143, NMS Colony,
Tripuri, Patiala-147004.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Punjabi University,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Dean Academic Affairs,
Punjabi University, Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.747 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 28.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case was scheduled to be heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Shishu Paul Verma, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing either in person or through Cisco Webex.
3. Neither the PIO O/o Punjabi University, Patiala has come present nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex.
4. In the absence of the appellant and the PIO, the Bench is unable to proceed further in the matter. As such, the Bench deems it appropriate to adjourn the matter.
5. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 28.12.2021 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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Tripuri, Patiala-147004.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Punjabi University,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Dean Academic Affairs,
Punjabi University, Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.1349 of 2021

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

ORDER:

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Tripuri, Patiala-147004.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjabi University,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Dean Academic Affairs,
Punjabi University, Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.1140 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 28.09.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
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...Appellant

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O/o Punjabi University,
Patiala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Dean Academic Affairs,
Punjabi University, Patiala.

....Respondents

AC No.1706 of 2021

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

ORDER:

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