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Surjit Kumar (Ex-Panch)

President, Safe Ludhiana Welfare Society (Regd), #1853, Bazigar Basti, Bhai Bala Colony, Village Daad, Pakhowal Road, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB),
Regional Office -2, E-648-B, 3rd Floor,
Phase-5, Focal Point,
Ludhiana – 141 010.

First Appellate Authority
o/o Senior Environmental Engineer
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Zonal Office -1, E-648-B,
Phase-5, Focal Point,
Ludhiana – 141 010.

Appeal Case Nos. 806 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Amandeep, APIO-cum-SDO (for the Respondent) 88772-22230

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **4.9.2020 and 3.12.2020**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 29.8.19 vide which the appellant has sought information pertaining to given, audit reports submitted by, and raids etc conducted on large and medium, red and orange category industries in the jurisdictional area of the PPCB at Ludhiana as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 31.10.19 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.2.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on 3.12.2020.
- 2. The appellant is absent but has informed this Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. At the last hearing on 3.12.2020, the respondent PIO was directed to submit a copy of the reply/information sent to the appellant. On examining the said reply, this Commission is of the view that the PIO's reply is inadequate and not in accordance with the RTI Act, 2005.
- 3. The respondent PIO is directed to file a written, point-wise reply to the RTI Application furnishing information where available and citing specific provisions of the RTI Act 2005 where he seeks exemption from disclosure of the requested information.

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Appeal Case Nos. 806 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Environmental Engineer,
Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB),
Regional Office -2, E-648-B, 3rd Floor,
Phase-5, Focal Point,
Ludhiana-141010.

First Appellate Authority
o/o Chief Environmental Engineer
Punjab Pollution Control Board,
Zonal Office -1, E-648-B,
Phase-5, Focal Point,
Ludhiana – 141 010.

Appeal Case Nos. 807 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Amandeep, APIO-Cum-SDO (for the Respondent) 88772-22230

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 4.9.2020 and 3.12.2020)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **29.8.19** vide which the appellant has sought information **pertaining to given, audit reports submitted by, and raids etc conducted on Teg Forgings & Stampings, Jugiana, Ludhiana** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **31.10.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **19.2.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **3.12.2020**.
- 2. The appellant is absent but has informed this Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Amandeep, APIO-cum-SDO, present through Video Conference Facility at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Ludhiana, submitted a reply/information to the appellant vide letter No. 653 dated 23.6.2020. On examining the said reply, the Commission is of the view that the information pertaining to point 2 of the RTI application has been withheld without assigning proper reason.

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Appeal Case Nos. 807 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

- 3. The respondent PIO is directed to furnish all the available information with respect to point 2 of the RTI application or cite specific provisions of the RTI Act 2005 to seek exemption from disclosure.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Manjinder Singh,

S/o Jita Singh, # 2469, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125, Kharar, District Mohali – 140 301

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB), Regional Office-III, Savitri Complex-1, 3rd Floor, Dholewal Chowk, G.T. Road, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB), Regional Office-III, Savitri Complex-1, 3rd Floor, Dholewal Chowk, G.T. Road, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2524 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **8.6.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding water audit of dyeing unit of Ludhiana**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.7.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.9.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **11.2.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. This case is adjourned. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am</u> through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

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Trilochan Singh,

S/o Late Gurbachan Singh, # 848 A, MIG Flats, Jamalpur Colony, District Ludhiana – 141 010

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Senior Environmental Engineer, Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB), District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Chief Environment Engineer, Headquarters, Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB), District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2987 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Bhisham Singh, Assistant Environment Engineer (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **10.5.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding colonies near village Bholapuar Chandigarh Road</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.7.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.10.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **11.2.2021**.
- 2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Bhisham Singh, AEE from the office of RO-2, PPCB, Ludhiana, present through Video Conference Facility at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Ludhiana, stated that a reply was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 4092 dated 10.6.2020.
- 3. On examining the said reply this Commission directs the respondent PIO to re-examine the RTI application and submit a point-wise reply to the 2 points of this RTI application. A copy of this must be sent to this Commission before the next hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 2987 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB), Regional Office-III, Savitri Complex-1, 3rd Floor, Dholewal Chowk, G.T. Road, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Senior Environmental Engineer,

Punjab Pollution Control Board (PPCB), Zonal Office-II, E-648-B, Phase-5, Focal Point, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3347 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Bhisham Singh, Assistant Environment Engineer (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **29.6.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding dyeing industries that were refused 'Consent to Operate'</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **13.8.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **2.11.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **11.2.2021**.
- 2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Bhisham Singh, AEE from the office of RO-2, PPCB, Ludhiana, present through Video Conference Facility at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Ludhiana, stated that a reply was first sent to the appellant on 22.7.2020 to which the appellant had expressed dissatisfaction. A second reply with the requested information was sent to him again vide Letter No. 33 dated 7.1.2021. The respondent PIO also informed this Commission that the appellant was invited for two personal hearings by the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 15.1.2021 and 28.1.2021, but that he did not appear.
- 3. The Commission understands the appellant's reluctance to appear before FAA, who thought it fit to grant him hearing only after the appellant filed a Second Appeal.

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Appeal Case No. 3347 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

- 4. After examining the PIO's reply of 7.1.2021, this Commission directs the respondent PIO to furnish the information requested at point 2 of the RTI application by way of duly attested copies. This must be done before the next hearing.
- 5. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

6. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Gagandeep Singh Threeke (RTI Activist),

SCO-26, Shant Park, Main Sua Road, Threeke, Ludhiana – 142 028

Versus

Public Information Officer

o/o Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), GLADA Complex, Near Rajguru Nagar, Ferozepur Road, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Chief Administrator, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 542 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Hardeep Singh, Clerk (for the respondent) 95305-29715

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 2.7.2020, 4.9.2020, and 3.12.2020)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **9.9.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding properties under GLADA situated along Ferozepur Road beyond the jurisdiction of Municipal Corporation, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **14.10.2019** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **29.1.20** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **3.12.2020**.
- 2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Hardeep Singh, Clerk, present through Video Conference Facility at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Ludhiana, stated that a reply pertaining to 10 buildings listed by the appellant, was sent to him vide Letter No. 7517 dated: 11.12.2020. The Commission has examined his reply and is of the view that the information sought by the appellant has not been adequately furnished.
- 3. This Commission directs the respondent PIO to carefully examine the RTI application and submit duly attested copies of the documents requested by the appellant pertaining to the buildings listed by the appellant. This must be done before the next hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 542 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Devinder Singh,

S/o Santokh Singh, R/o Village Rauni, Tehsil Payal, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

Superintendent-cum-APIO, o/o Estate Office (Regulatory), Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), District Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer,

o/o EO, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), GLADA Complex, Near Rajguru Nagar, Ferozepur Road, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Chief Administrator, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 881 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

P.S Gumber (for the Appellant) 98158-06506 Manpreet Singh, Senior Assistant (for the Respondent) 98141-70285

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 2.7.2020, 4.9.2020, and 3.12.2020)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **9.5.2019** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding Delta City Colony in the Village Rania District Ludhiana</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.10.2019** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.2.20** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **3.12.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are present through Video Conference Facility at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Ludhiana. The appellant is represented by his lawyer P.S. Gumber. The respondent PIO, represented by Manpreet Singh, Senior Assistant from the Licensing Branch of the GLADA stated that the record pertaining to two colonies cited in the RTI application has been provided to the appellant. As per his contention, the remaining record pertaining to a third colony is still pending with the Regulatory Branch of GLADA, to which, this RTI application was transferred on 7.1.2021 under Section 6 (3) of the RTI Act, 2005.

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Appeal Case No. 881 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

- 3. This Commission <u>IMPLEADS</u> the APIO-cum-Superintendent, office of Estate Officer (Regulatory) GLADA and directs him to furnish the requested information within 15 days of this Order, failing which, he shall be eligible for penalties as per the RTI Act, 2005.
- 4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Gurmej Lal, Whistle Blower,

6375, Street No. 16, Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Backside Bachan Gas Agency, Near Mair Di Chakki, Post Office Daba, District Ludhiana – 141 003

Versus

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

District Ludhiana.

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

Appeal Case No. 3531 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (Appellant) Ajae Kumar, Building Inspector (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **10.8.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding illegal constructions in the area of Zone-A M.C., Luldhiana,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **10.9.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **13.11.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **11.2.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present through Video Conference Facility at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Ludhiana. The respondent PIO had sent a reply to the appellant vide Letter No. 182/80C/A/RTI/D dated 12.10.2020. However, on examination of the said reply, this Commission finds that the respondent PIO is merely seeking to deflect queries made in this RTI application.
- 3. This Commission directs the respondent PIO to provide a list of demolition notices issued to illegal constructions in Zone-A Ludhiana after 8.8.2020 along with copies of the said demolition notices after duly attesting each copy as per the format below. These must be submitted to this Commission before the next hearing.

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Appeal Case No. 3531 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Rakesh Kumar Gupta Advocate,

s/o Des Raj Gupta, # 8/237, Jagraon Road, Mandi Mullanpur, District Ludhiana – 141 101

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Senior Superintendent of Police Ludhiana (Rural), Jagraon, District Ludhiana – 142 026 First Appellate Authority, o/o Detuty Inspector General of Police Ludhiana Range, Near Old Courts, Ludhiana – 141 001

Appeal Case No. 447 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **7.2.2020**, **26.2.2020**, **2.7.2020**, **4.9.2020**, **and 3.12.2020**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **20.1.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **pertaining to complaints / representations against the appellant by residents of Mullanpur-Dakha in the month of May/June 2018 and thereafter,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.1.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.1.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **3.12.2020**.
- 2. Both parties are absent but have been informed the Commission of inability to attend this hearing. The respondents are busy in ongoing Municipal Corporation Election and requested an adjournment.
- 3. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Sarabjeet Singh Gill,

H.No. 60-35-P-376-1, Street No.8, Maha Singh Nagar, PO Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana-141014.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Station House Officer, Police Station Daba, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Police Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3979 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia (On behalf of Appellant) 98884-90031 (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 10.1.2020, 26.2.2020, 2.7.2020, 4.9.2020, and 3.12.2020)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **15.7.19** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding verification of tenants</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **16.8.19** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.10.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **3.12.2020**.
- 2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. At the last hearing on 3.12.2020, the respondent PIO, represented by ASI Avtar Singh had requested an additional 15 days to furnish the requested information, which were granted by this Commission. However, despite a lapse of more than 2 months, the respondents have neither furnished the information and nor are present at this hearing.
- 3. The respondent PIO-cum-SHO, Police Station Daba Ludhiana is ordered herewith to furnish a list of SHO's/PIO's posted at Police Station Daba Ludhiana since the filing of this RTI application on 15.7.2019. This must be provided to this Commission in writing within the next 10 days, failing which a penalty will be imposed on the incumbent SHO-cum-PIO, Police Station Daba, Ludhiana.

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Appeal Case No. 3979 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

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Lal Chand Virhe,

S/o Chaman Lal Virhe, Village Garhi Sheru, Rahon Road, PO Mattewara, (via Basti Jodhewal), Tehsil & District Ludhiana – 141 007

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Station House Officer, Police Station, Basti Jodhewal, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner of Police, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case Nos. 4255 and 4256 of 2019 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent ASI Jasbir Singh (for the Respondent) 98158-00233

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 29.1.2020, 4.9.2020, and 3.12.2020)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **29.10.18** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information by</u> way of an inspection of the record pertaining to a complaint CR No. 1090148/Peshi dated **4.5.17** and CR No. 1192599 dated 15.9.17 etc., as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 15.11.19 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **4.9.2020**.
- 2. The appellant is absent. The respondent PIO represented by ASI, Jasbir Singh form Police Station Basti Jodhewal, Ludhiana, present through Video Conference Facility at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Ludhiana, has submitted a reply along with a receipt signed by the appellant that he has received the requested information. The respondent has stated that 70 pages were handed over to the appellant at the Police Station on 9.1.2021.
- 3. This Commission directs the respondent PIO-cum-SHO Police Station Basti Jodhewal to submit a list of SHO's/PIO's who have served since the filing of this RTI application on 29.10.2018. The list must contain the names of SHO's, their tenure at Police Station Basti Jodhewal, and their present place of posting with complete official addresses and telephone numbers. This must be communicated to this Commission at the earliest failing which a penalty will be imposed on the incumbent SHO-cum-PIO Basti Jodhewal. Ludhiana.

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Appeal Case Nos. 4255 and 4256 of 2019 (Video Conference Proceedings)

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 9.6.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.</u>

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner