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Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta
Advocate,
8/237, Jagraon Road,
Mandi Maullanpur,
Distt.Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Mullanpur Dakha,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies,Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.634 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Abhay Joshi, Accountant/APIO, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

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AC No.636 of 2020

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AC No.637 of 2020

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(ii) **Shri Abhay Joshi, Accountant/APIO, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha.**

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AC No.638/2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Satyajeet, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council,
Jagraon, District Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

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4. Shri Satyajeet, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council, Jagraon comes present to attend the hearing through V.C.. He states that earlier Shri Sukhdev Singh Randhawa was the Executive Officer/PIO and he has been requested to deposit the amount of penalty imposed in the instant appeal case. He further states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 28.02.2020 and then on 15.04.2021 and that an affidavit dated 09.07.2021 has been also sent to the appellant vide letter dated 09.07.2021 by registered post.

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5. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of the PIO shows the appellant the reply to his RTI application as also the affidavit sent to him. The appellant Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, however, expresses his dis-satisfaction and denies receipt of the documents.

6. The Bench, on perusal of the case file and the contents of the affidavit, makes it clear that as per contents of affidavit and submissions made by the representative of PIO, the appellant has been supplied requisite information as is available in their official records. Thus, the Bench is convinced that the information has been supplied to the appellant and the contents of affidavit are in order.

7. Since the appellant is still dis-satisfied with the information supplied, post deliberations, the PIO is directed to once again send the entire information given so far by registered post to the appellant. He is also directed to produce evidence for having deposited the amount of penalty imposed on the PIO during the next hearing. The PIO is further directed to bring along all the relevant records and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing.

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AC No.641 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Abhay Joshi, Accountant/APIO, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha.**

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AC No.642 of 2020

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Mullanpur Dakha,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.763 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Abhay Joshi, Accountant/APIO, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

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5. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he was called at 05.00 PM on 08.07.2021 and there was hardly any time left for closure of offices on that day and nothing fruitful materialized. He was then asked to come to PIO's office on 09.07.2021. However, he could not do so due to some social commitment on his part.

6. Post deliberations with the APIO and the appellant, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office once again on any working day and Mr. Abhay Joshi, Accountant/APIO is directed to allow the appellant access to the relevant official records. After the information is identified by the appellant, the same be provided to him before the next hearing duly attested by the PIO.

7. The PIO is directed to bring along all the relevant record on the next hearing and produce the same before the Bench. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper, duly signed by the PIO and attested by Notary Public as per directions given during the previous hearings. Original copy of the affidavit as also a photocopy of the same be also produced before the Bench.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 27.09.2021 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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Municipal Council,
Mullanpur Dakha,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.764 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Abhay Joshi, Accountant/APIO, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha.**

ORDER

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5. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he was called at 05.00 PM on 08.07.2021 and there was hardly any time left for closure of offices on that day and nothing fruitful materialized. He was then asked to come to PIO's office on 09.07.2021. However, he could not do so due to some social commitment on his part.

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Municipal Council,
Mullanpur Dakha,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.765 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Abhay Joshi, Accountant/APIO, M.C. Mullanpur Dakha.**

ORDER

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District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.969 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Satyajeet, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

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5. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of the PIO shows the appellant the reply to his RTI application as also the affidavit sent to him. The appellant Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, however, expresses his dis-satisfaction and denies receipt of the documents.

6. The Bench, on perusal of the case file and the contents of the affidavit, makes it clear that as per contents of affidavit and the submissions made the representative of PIO, the appellant has been supplied requisite information as is available in their official records. Thus, the Bench is convinced that the information has been supplied to the appellant and the contents of affidavit are in order.

7. Since the appellant is still dis-satisfied with the information supplied, post deliberations, the PIO is directed to once again send the entire information given so far by registered post to the appellant. He is also directed to produce evidence for having deposited the amount of penalty imposed on the PIO during the next hearing. The PIO is further directed to bring along all the relevant records and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing.

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District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.970 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
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AC No.970/2020

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First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director,
Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.972 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Satyajeet, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council,
Jagraon, District Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.**

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AC No.972/2020

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District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
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....Respondents

AC No.973 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Satyajeet, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council,
Jagraon, District Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

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AC No.973/2020

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....Respondents

AC No.974 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Satyajeet, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council,
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ORDER

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AC No.974/2020

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First Appellate Authority

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....Respondents

AC No.977 of 2020

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1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.04.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The case has been heard today through V.C.in D.C. Office, Ludhiana. Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant is found not present for hearing through Video Conferencing. The Bench observes that this is the seventh hearing in the instant case and decides to wait for him to hear version of both the appellant and the representative of PIO so as to arrive at a decision in the instant appeal case.
3. Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C at 12.40 PM. Thus, he comes late by one hour ten minutes. The Bench takes a serious note of his late arrival and makes its displeasure known to him in no uncertain terms.
4. Shri Satyajeet, Junior Engineer, Municipal Council, Jagraon comes present to attend the hearing through V.C.. He states that earlier Shri Sukhdev Singh Randhawa was the Executive Officer/PIO and he has been requested to deposit the amount of penalty imposed in the instant appeal case. He further states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 28.02.2020 and then on 15.04.2021 and that an affidavit dated 09.07.2021 has also been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 09.07.2021 by registered post.

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5. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of the PIO shows the appellant the reply to his RTI application as also the affidavit sent to him. The appellant Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, however, expresses his dis-satisfaction and denies receipt of the documents.

6. The Bench, on perusal of the case file and the contents of the affidavit, makes it clear that as per contents of affidavit and the submissions made the representative of PIO, the appellant has been supplied requisite information as is available in their official records. Thus, the Bench is convinced that the information has been supplied to the appellant and the contents of affidavit are in order.

7. Since the appellant is still dis-satisfied with the information supplied, post deliberations, the PIO is directed to once again send the entire information given so far by registered post to the appellant. He is also directed to produce evidence for having deposited the amount of penalty imposed on the PIO during the next hearing. The PIO is further directed to bring along all the relevant records and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing.

8. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 27.09.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
12.07.2021**

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