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

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Municipal Corporation
Zone-A, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.980 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent**
(ii) **Shri Sunil Kumar, Assistant Town Planner, 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 05.08.2020 passed by the Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The appellant is absent. Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate who attends the hearings on behalf of the appellant has, however, sent an e.mail stating that due to some unavoidable medical circumstances, she would not be able to attend the hearing today.
3. Shri Sunil Kumar, Assistant Town Planner, M.C. Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that reply to the appellant has been given vide letter dated 28.08.2020 and thereafter vide letter dated 02.09.2020 by PIO, M.C. Zone-B and A respectively. He further states that reply to the show cause notice has been forwarded vide letter dated 07.09.2020.
4. Post deliberations with the representative of the PIO as also with the representative of appellant by contacting her on mobile phone, the PIOs of Zone-A and Zone-B are directed to file affidavits, within seven days, duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, to the effect that the information as existing in the official records in AC No.980 of 2020, has been supplied to the appellant. Nothing has been concealed therein. The statement made is correct and authentic. Original copy of the affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

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5 With the aforesaid directions, **the appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
14.09.2020**

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

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- (ii) Public Information Officer, Municipal Corporation Zone-B, Ludhiana.**

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.....Appellant

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O/o Municipal Corporation
Zone-A, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.986 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Shri Kulpreet Singh, Joint Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana/
First Appellate Authority.

ORDER:

Heard through video Conferencing

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 05.08.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
2. The appellant is absent. Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate who attends the hearings on behalf of the appellant has, however, sent an e.mail stating that due to some unavoidable medical circumstances, she would not be able to attend the hearing today.
3. Shri Kulpreet Singh, Joint Commissioner, M.C. Ludhiana/First Appellate Authority comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. and states that he has been appointed as the Transparency Officer as per provisions under the RTI Act and further states that the information to this effect has also been sent to the appellant by registered post as also through e.mail.
4. The Bench apprises him that no such letter has been received in the Commission and on the asking of the Bench, he assures to send a copy of the same by e-mail.
5. The Bench observes that the requisite information stands supplied to the appellant and necessary provisions as per RTI Act stand complied with.
6. In view of the above, no further cause of action is left in the matter. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Vishnu K Umar
C/o Satender Pal,
Behind Nehru Sr. Sec. School,
Adjacent to Ram Sarnath Ashram,
Ward No.14, Mandi Dabwali, Distt. Sirsa.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1919 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Vishnu Kumar, appellant (Contacted on phone)**
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 14.11.2019 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 01.01.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 20.07.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.09.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through V.C. He has sent a letter dated 09.09.2020 that he has not received any reply and has further requested to hear him through Cisco Webex.
4. Neither the PIO himself has come present nor any representative has been deputed to attend the hearing on his behalf. The Bench, after perusal of case related documents, observes that the PIO has sent reply to the appellant vide letter dated 05.03.2020.
5. On perusing the case file as also RTI application, the Bench observes that the appellant has sought information about a property in Ludhiana relating to its ownership and present occupants. This amounts to seeking personal information about third party which serves no public activity or interest. Hence, the Bench directs that it be denied under Section 8(1)(j) of RTI Act. As regards the details of First Appellate Authority sought by the appellant, the same is available in open domain in official website of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana and can be accessed by the appellant from there.



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7. In view of the above, no further action in the matter is called for. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Amandeep Singh
S/o Shri Surinder Singh
R/o No.610, Sector-39,
Urban Estate, Chandigarh Road,
Jamalpur, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o The Zonal Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1918 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Gurpreet Singh, Advocate on behalf of Amandeep Singh, appellant**
(ii) **Shri Satish Kumar, PIO, Municipal Corporation Zone-C, Ludhiana.**

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 04.07.2019 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 08.08.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.07.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.09.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Shri Gurpreet Singh, Advocate comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the appellant. He states that the appellant has sought information on his complaint made on 03.06.2019 regarding an unauthorized colony being carved out in jurisdiction of Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, but no information has been provided to him. He also states that before the First Appellate Authority also, the order had been passed dismissing his appeal without even hearing the appellant.
4. Shri Satish Kumar, PIO, Zone -C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing. He states that reply to the RTI application has already been sent vide letter dated 22.07.2019.
5. On the asking of the Bench regarding the lapse of one year from the issuance of said letter, he states that a writ petition was filed with regard to the un-authorised colony as mentioned by the appellant in



his RTI application. Thereafter, in connection with the order passed by the Hon'ble High Court, a Contempt Petition was filed, which is still pending in the Hon'ble High Court, due to which no action was taken on the said complaint of the appellant. He also states that a letter dated 09.09.2020 has also been sent to the appellant explaining the matter for not supplying him the information.

6. Post deliberations on the case, the Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that no action on the complaint filed by the appellant has been taken by the Municipal Corporation as a writ petition-CWP No.15511 of 2019 titled as Navjot Singh vs. State of Punjab regarding the colony mentioned in his RTI application was filed in the Hon'ble High Court and with regard to the order passed in the said writ petition, a contempt petition was filed which is still pending in the Hon'ble High Court. The information given is as per official records in AC No.1918 of 2020. Nothing has been concealed therein. The Statement made is correct and authentic. Original copy of the affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. With the aforesaid directions, **the appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Amritpal Singh,
S/o Shri Harchand Singh,
Village Sowaddi Kalan,
Distt.Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

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

First Appellate Authority

O/o The Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.1960 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Amritpal Singh, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Abhay Joshi, Accountant, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha, APIO**
on behalf of the PIO.

ORDER:

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 14.02.2020 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 12.05.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.07.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.09.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Shri Amritpal Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that he has sought information on six points in his RTI application but no information has been provided to him yet.
4. Shri Abhay Joshi, Accountant, APIO, Municipal Council, Mullanpur Dakha comes present to attend the hearing and states that reply giving point-wise information to the appellant has been provided to the appellant. On the asking of the Bench, he reads out the contents of the reply.
5. The Bench directs the APIO to give a copy of the same to the appellant as also e.mail the same to the Commission. The appellant, on examination of information given is not satisfied with the reply provided.

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6. Post deliberations on the case, the Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit within 30 days duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as existing in the official records in AC No.1960 of 2020 has been supplied to the appellant. Nothing has been concealed therein. The Statement made is correct and authentic. Original copy of the affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. The Bench is of the opinion that the point-wise complete information as available in the official records, stands supplied to the appellant. Post filing of affidavit in the instant case, no cause of further action is required in the said appeal case.

8. In view of the above, no further action is called for in the matter. **The appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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