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Sh. Dilbag Chand 9814414473  
Village Hayatpur PO Hambo Wal  
Tehsil Samrala.  
District Ludhiana

....Appellant

Vs

Sh. Joginder Singh,  
Public Information Officer  
-cum-Distt. Revenue Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3826 of 2020

(Video Conference/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Dilbag Chand, appellant on telephone.  
Ms Prabjot Kaur, Sr. Asstt 8968784819 on behalf of the respondents.  
9501385203

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.7.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the information has already been sent to the appellant through speed post. However, the appellant states that he has not received the same yet.

3. Since, the information has already been sent to the Commission through email by the respondent, therefore, the copy of the same is being **sent** to the appellant along with this order. Also a copy of an email has been forwarded to the appellant as has been received from the respondent to file the rejoinder, if any, before the next date of hearing to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission.

4. To come up on 13.10.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana

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Dated: 14.9.2021

(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

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Sh. Harjot Singh Harikay Advocate,  
Chamber No 1011,  
District Courts Complex,  
Ludhiana. M : 9815000231

..Appellant

Vs

Sh. Joginder Singh, **Registered**  
Distt. Revenue Officer-cum-  
Public Information Officer,  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

....Respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 95/2021

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Harjot Singh Harikay, appellant. 9915233869 9501385203  
Ms Prabjot Kaur, 8968784819 9915233869 on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 26.8.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the complete information as available on record has already been supplied to the appellant. However, the appellant contended that nothing has been supplied related to the office order No. 514, 515 and 516 dated 9.7.2019. A copy of the enquiry report of Sub Divisional Magistrate West, District Ludhiana sent to the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana has been sent to the Commission by the appellant in support of his arguments, which is taken on record. After going through the same the representative of the respondents states that the reference relates to the Personal Branch of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana.

3. After the perusal of the enquiry report, it has ascertained that the case relates to the embezzlement of funds by the office of the Sub Registrar Ludhiana Central. The appellant has sought the information from the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana and incomplete information has been supplied to the appellant. Video Conference Facility/cisco webex facility was introduced for convenience of general public and for government officials. Viewing the attitude in dealing

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with the RTI application of the appellant by the respondent-Public Information Officer seriously, thus Sh. Joginder Singh, Distt. Revenue Officer-cum-Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana is issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25000/- till the complete information is furnished, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for causing wilful delay/denial of the information to the RTI application and to issue show cause for compensation to the appellant for detriment suffered by him under section 19(8) of the RTI Act, 2005.

In addition to the written reply, the PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take a note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

3. One last opportunity is granted to Sh. Joginder Singh, respondent-Public Information Officer to supply the complete information in this case failing which punitive action as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 will also be recommended in this case.

4. To come up on 30.9.2021 at 3.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

Dated: 14.9.2021  
Sd/  
(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
Punjab.

Sh. Varinder Kumar, IAS  
Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana

**Registered**

To ensure compliance of this order