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Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, Advocate, # 8/237, Jagraon Road, Mandi Mullanpur, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Malerkotla District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Patiala..

AC No.334 of 2020

Present: (i) Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant (ii) None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 30.06.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.

2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has done inspection of records in the office PIO on 10.09.2021 and pointed out the balance information which is pending up to now.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Municipal Council, Malerkotla has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his respondents to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. PIO is directed to provide the remaining information to the appellant as pointed out by him before next hearing.

4. The PIO is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice as also to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.334/2020 has been provided to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Bench for official records before the next hearing. Cont..P-2



....Respondents

.....Appellant



AC No.334/2020

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **06.12.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in the Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the orders be sent to the concerned parties.

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O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Malerkotla District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Deputy Director, Local Bodies, Patiala..

....Respondents

.....Appellant

AC No.335 of 2020

Versus

Present: (i) Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant (ii) None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 30.06.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.

2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Rakesh Kumar Gupta, appellant attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has done inspection of records in the office PIO on 10.09.2021 and pointed out the balance information which is pending up to now.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Municipal Council, Malerkotla has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his respondents to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. PIO is directed to provide the remaining information to the appellant as pointed out by him before next hearing.

4. The PIO is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice as also to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.335/2020 has been provided to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Bench for official records before the next hearing. Cont..P-2



AC No.335/2020

5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **06.12.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in the Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the orders be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Jagjit Singh, R/o Aman Nagar, Street No.3, Backside Green Land School, Near Jalandhar By-pass, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority-cum-O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1121 of 2020

PRESENT :(i)Appellant- present.(ii)Shri Davinder Singh, Draftsman, Zone-A, O/o MC, Ludhiana in person
before the Bench at Chandigarh.

ORDER:

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 30.06.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.

2. Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex.

3. Shri Davinder Singh, Draftsman comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the PIO. He states that complete information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 28.06.2021 by registered post and again vide letter dated 13.09.2021 and the information has also been sent by e.mail to the Commission.

4. Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant, on the asking of the Bench, states that the reply sent by the PIO is not in conformity with the RTI application filed by him and he is not satisfied with the information supplied.

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AC No.1121/2020

5. Shri Devinder Singh, representative of the PIO states that the information as available in the official records has been supplied to the appellant.

6. Post deliberations with the appellant and the representative of the PIO, the Bench directs the PIO to bring along the entire relevant records along with the information supplied 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 the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in official records in AC No.1121 of 2020 has been supplied. Nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit and a photocopy of the same be brought along and produced before the Bench.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **06.12.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 15.09.2021 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma, (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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Shri Raj Kumar, Advocate R/o H.No.89, Sector-31, Gurugram-122001.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Secto-17, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority O/o State Transport Commissioner, Punjab, Secto-17, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No.3215 of 2020

Present:(i)Shri Raj Kumar, the appellant.(ii)Smt. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent-cum-PIO, the respondent.

ORDER:

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 30.06.2021 passed on the previous hearing.

2. Smt. Kulwinder Kaur, Superintendent-cum-PIO comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. She states that the information as available in the official records of the department has been supplied to the appellant by registered post. She states that the appellant has been informed that the vehicles being given old registration numbers has been discontinued after 12.06.1989 and a public notice in this regard has also been shared with the appellant.

3. Shri Raj Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he is not satisfied with the reply of PIO as his RTI application is dated 06.08.2020 and the public notice is dated 30.08.2020 and as such, he should be supplied information as per his RTI application.

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AC No.3215/2020

4. Post deliberations with the PIO and the appellant, the Bench directs the PIO to bring along the entire case related record/documents and produce the same before the Bench on the next date of hearing.

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5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 23.11.2021 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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Shri Kulwinder Singh, S/o Shri Surjit Singh, R/o H. NO.162, Near Khakh Patti, Gurudwara, Gobindgarh, P.O:Jugiana, Distt:Ludhiana. PSiC State Mormatics Content

Versus

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer O/o SDO, PSPCL, Sahnewal, Distt:Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority O/o Engineer in Chief/DS, Central, PSPCL, Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.784 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia on behalf of the appellant. (ii) Shri Amritpal Singh, SDO (Commercial), PSPCLthe respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 30.06.2021 passed by this Bench on

the previous hearing.

2. The case has been heard today, dated 30.06.2021 through Cisco Webex. The appellant has authorized Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia to attend the hearing on his behalf. The representative of the appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex.

3. Shri Kulwinder Singh, Additional S.E comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the appellant along with Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia had come present for inspection of the records on 20.08.2021 and the information was provided to the appellant.

4. Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, representative of the appellant states that they had visited the office of PIOand no record, in fact, has been produced before them for inspection.

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5. Post deliberations, the PIO is directed to bring along all the case related documents and produce the same before the Bench. He is also directed to provide the information to the appellant and to file an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.784/2021 has been provided to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be also brought and produced before the Bench, along with a photocopy of the affidavit for official records on the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **06.12.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the orders be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 15.09.2021



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Shri P.S.Sodhi S/o Late Sh.S.S. Sodhi #20-B, Shantipura, Jalandhar-144001.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Superintending Engineer, Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.(PSPCL) H.Q., Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-Deputy Chief Engineer, Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd. (PSPCL), Jalandhar.

....Respondents

AC No. 2753 of 2021

Present:	(i)	Shri P.S. Sodhi, appellant
	(ii)	None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent

ORDER:

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

1. The RTI application is dated 02.02.2021 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 05.04.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 15.06.2021under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The case has been heard today, dated 15.09.2021 through Cisco Webex. The appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that till date no information has been supplied to him by the respondent and that he is not satisfied with the information.

3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend the hearing through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing. On perusal of the case file, the Bench observes that incomplete information has been supplied and on the contrary, a counter question has been asked from the appellant to intimate the Electricity Account number of the shop about which the information has been sought.

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AC No.2753/2020

4. The Bench views the attitude of the PIO for not attending the hearing adversely. The PIO is 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 supplying complete information to the appellant. 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, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a 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 proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The PIO is further directed to supply the complete information to the appellant before the next hearing as also to ensure to come present before the Bench on the next hearing.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on06.12.2021 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex. Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 15.09.2021 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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