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FINAL ORDER

Rohit Sabharwal,

S/o Vijay Sabharwal, Kundan Bhawan, 126, Model Gram, Ludhiana – 141 002

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Estate Officer, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority, PUDA Complex, Near Rajguru Nagar, Ferozepur Road, District Ludhiana – 141 001

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Additional Chief Administrator, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority, PUDA Complex, Near Rajguru Nagar, Ferozepur Road, District Ludhiana – 141 001

Appeal Case No. 2808 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Gagandeep Singh, PIO-cum-ATP (Respondent) 98150-44067

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **15.6.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding annual property return of the employees</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.7.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.9.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **15.1.2020**.
- 2. The appellant is absent. The respondent PIO-cum-Assistant Town Planner, Gagandeep Singh, present through Video Conference Facility at the Deputy Commissioner's Office in Ludhiana, stated that this RTI application was transferred to PUDA on 29.7.2020. Further, the First Appellate Authority at GLADA also requested the First Appellate Authority at PUDA to take further action on this RTI application. The respondent PIO stated that PUDA has now informed PIO GLADA that the requested information has been supplied to the appellant. In a letter to this Commission dated 14.1.2021, the appellant has confirmed that he has received the information

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from the PUDA along with letter dated 23.9.2020. The appellant has meanwhile pointed the delay of some 3 months in providing the information. However, this Commission makes note of the fact that this RTI application was submitted (15.6.2020) at a time the most Public Authorities were either in lockdown or functioning at 50% staff in view of which the delay cited by the appellant is condoned.

3. There is no further cause for action and this appeal case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh 15.1.2021