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

...Appellant

**Versus** 

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o Commissioner. Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 2322 of 2020

PRESENT:

- Appellant- absent. (i)
- (ii) Shri Mohan Singh, ATP/PIO, along with Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C., Ludhiana, in person.

# **ORDER:**

#### (Heard in person/on Mobile phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 16.08.2021 passed by the Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Jagjit Singh has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through Cisco Webex.
- Shri Mohan Singh, Assistant Town Planner/PIO, and Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Building 3. Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana attend the hearing in person before the Bench. The PIO states that the information sought by the appellant has been supplied vide letters dated 23.10.2020 and again on 13.08.2021. He further states that he has also brought along an affidavit dated 10.11.2021 along with the copies of aforesaid letters for handing over the same to the appellant. He produces the same before the Bench.

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AC No.2322/2020

4. Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is apprised that Shri Mohan

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Singh, ATP/PIO and Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana have come present

before the Bench and that the PIO has brought along the original affidavit and the copies of information

supplied. Then he is made to talk to the PIO Shri Mohan Singh, who explains to him the entire position

regarding the information supplied to him. Then, on the asking of Bench, he states that he is not satisfied

with the information as the same is not in consonance with his RTI Application and argues that it is

incomplete and also alleges concealment of information by the respondent. He also states that the

information has been delayed beyond the acceptable time-frame.

5. Post deliberations, the Bench observes that the appellant has sent an e.mail dated

14.11.2021 making it incumbent upon the Bench to contact him for the hearing, rather than the appellant

voluntarily being present for the hearing in person or through cisco webex, which is not appreciated.

Further, though the Bench is convinced that the information as sought by the appellant stands supplied

and the contents of the affidavit are also in order. However, to give a fair chance to the appellant, the PIO

is directed to call him to the office on any working day and allow him access to the relevant official

records once again and provide such additional information as may be identified by him

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on

14.02.2022 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex for which Meeting Code is 15857-23975. Copies of

the order be sent to the concerned parties.

(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) Chandigarh 15.11.2021 State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**, O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o Commissioner. Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 2328 of 2020

PRESENT:

- Appellant- absent. (i)
- Shri Mohan Singh, ATP/PIO, along with Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Building (ii) Inspector, Zone-A, M.C., Ludhiana, in person.

# **ORDER:**

#### (Heard in person/on Mobile phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 16.08.2021 passed by the Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Jagjit Singh has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through Cisco Webex.
- 3. Shri Mohan Singh, Assistant Town Planner/PIO, and Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana attend the hearing in person before the Bench. The PIO states that the information sought by the appellant has been supplied vide letters dated 23.10.2020 and again on 13.08.2021. He further states that he has also brought along an affidavit dated 10.11.2021 along with the copies of aforesaid letters for handing over the same to the appellant. He produces the same before the Bench.

AC No.2328/2020

4. Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is apprised that Shri Mohan Singh, ATP/PIO and Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana have come present before the Bench and that the PIO has brought along the original affidavit and the copies of information supplied. Then he is made to talk to the PIO Shri Mohan Singh, who explains to him the entire position regarding the information supplied to him. Then, on the asking of Bench, he states that he is not satisfied with the information as the same is not in consonance with his RTI Application and argues that it is

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information has been delayed beyond the acceptable time-frame.

5. Post deliberations, the Bench observes that the appellant has sent an e.mail dated

incomplete and also alleges concealment of information by the respondent. He also states that the

14.11.2021 making it incumbent upon the Bench to contact him for the hearing, rather than the appellant

voluntarily being present for the hearing in person or through cisco webex, which is not appreciated.

Further, though the Bench is convinced that the information as sought by the appellant stands supplied

and the contents of the affidavit are also in order. However, to give a fair chance to the appellant, the PIO

is directed to call him to the office on any working day and allow him access to the relevant official

records once again and provide such additional information as may be identified by him

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 14.02.2022 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex for which Meeting Code is 15857-23975. Copies of

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...Appellant

#### Versus

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

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

...Respondents

# Appeal Case No. 2329 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) Shri Mohan Singh, ATP/PIO, along with Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C., Ludhiana, in person.

#### **ORDER:**

#### (Heard in person/on Mobile phone)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 16.08.2021 passed by the Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. The appellant Shri Jagjit Singh has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through Cisco Webex.
- 3. Shri Mohan Singh, Assistant Town Planner/PIO, and Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector, Zone-A, M.C. Ludhiana attend the hearing in person before the Bench. The PIO states that the information sought by the appellant has been supplied vide letters dated 23.10.2020 and again on 13.08.2021. He further states that he has also brought along an affidavit dated 10.11.2021 along with the copies of aforesaid letters for handing over the same to the appellant. He produces the same before the Bench.

AC No.2329/2020

4. Shri Jagjit Singh, appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is apprised that Shri Mohan

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before the Bench and that the PIO has brought along the original affidavit and the copies of information

supplied. Then he is made to talk to the PIO Shri Mohan Singh, who explains to him the entire position

regarding the information supplied to him. Then, on the asking of Bench, he states that he is not satisfied

with the information as the same is not in consonance with his RTI Application and argues that it is

incomplete and also alleges concealment of information by the respondent. He also states that the

information has been delayed beyond the acceptable time-frame.

5. Post deliberations, the Bench observes that the appellant has sent an e.mail dated

14.11.2021 making it incumbent upon the Bench to contact him for the hearing,rather than the appellant

voluntarily being present for the hearing in person or through cisco webex, which is not appreciated.

Further, though the Bench is convinced that the information as sought by the appellant stands supplied

and the contents of the affidavit are also in order. However, to give a fair chance to the appellant, the PIO

is directed to call him to the office on any working day and allow him access to the relevant official

records once again and provide such additional information as may be identified by him

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on

14.02.2022 at 11.30 AM through Cisco Webex for which Meeting Code is 15857-23975. Copies of

the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 15.11.2021

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Shri Gurmej Lal, Whistle Blower, H.No.6375, St. No.16, Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Backside Bachan Gas Agency, Near Mair Di Chakki, P.O. Daba, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

**Versus** 

**Public Information Officer,** O/o Commissioner,

Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

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

Ludhiana.

...Respondents

AC No. 3300 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Appellant- absent.

Shri Yaseen Sheikh, Veterinary Officer, Veterinary Health Services, (ii) M.C., Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO, in person.

# **ORDER:**

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 16.08.2021 passed by the Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Gurmej Lal, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person. However, an e.mail dated 15.11.2021 has been received from the appellant stating therein that in spite of inspection of the records done by him, he has not been supplied information.
- Shri Yaseen Sheikh, Veterinary Officer, Veterinary Health Services Branch, M.C. 3. Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in person on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information as is available in the official records. He further apprises the Bench that amount of penalty has not been deposited as yet and the same will be deposited after deducting from the salary of the PIO for the month of November, 2021.

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AC No.3300/2020

4. The Bench observes that during the previous hearing, Shri Harbans Singh Dhalla, Sr. Veterinary Officer had come present and he had assured to supply information by 15.09.2021 and to comply with the directions of the Bench in its totality, but the things still remains the same.

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5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to supply the information to the appellant again by registered post as well as by e.mail and also to file reply to the show cause notice and to produce the evidence for having deposited the amount of penalty before the Bench on the next hearing. Shri Yaseen Sheikh, representative of the PIO assures to do the needful.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 14.02.2022 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 Sarabjeet Singh Gill, H.No.60-35, P-376-1, Street No.8, Maha Singh Nagar, P.O: DhandariKalan, 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.3299 of 2020

PRESENT: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) Shri Yaseen Sheikh, Veterinary Officer, Veterinary Health Services, M.C., Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO, in person.

## ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 16.08.2021 passed by the Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Sarabjeet Singh Gill, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person. However, an e.mail dated 15.11.2021 has been received from the appellant stating therein that in spite of inspection of the records done by him, he has not been supplied information.
- 3. Shri Yaseen Sheikh, Veterinary Officer, Veterinary Health Services Branch, M.C. Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing in person on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information as is available in the official records. He further apprises the Bench that amount of penalty has not been deposited as yet and the same will be deposited after deducting from the salary of the PIO for the month of November, 2021.

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AC No.3299/2020

4. The Bench observes that during the previous hearing, Shri Harbans Singh Dhalla, Sr. Veterinary Officer had come present and he had assured to supply information by 15.09.2021 and to comply with the directions of the Bench in its totality, but the things still remains the same.

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5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to supply the information to the appellant again by registered post as well as by e.mail and also to file reply to the show cause notice and to produce the evidence for having deposited the amount of penalty before the Bench on the next hearing. Shri Yaseen Sheikh, representative of the PIO assures to do the needful.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 14.02.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 15.11.2021

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Shri Himanshu Raj,Advocate C/o #102, Sector-10A, Chandigarh.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Grater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA), Mohali

First Appellate Authority
O/o Grater Mohali Area Development
Authority (GMADA), Mohali.

....Respondents

### AC No.3449 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Himanshu Raj, Appellant.

(ii) Shri Gurvinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer/PIO, and Smt. Paramjit Kaur, Sr Assistant, O/o GMADA, Mohali, in person.

# **ORDER**

# (Heard in person/through cisco webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 02.11.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Himanshu Raj, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that information has been received from the PIO and he has gone through the same. He states that there are some deficiencies in the information supplied and that his representative Ms. Sapna Randhawa had talked to Smt. Paramjit Kaur, Senior Assistant, GMADA, Mohali in the morning and apprised her of the deficiencies.
- 3. Shri Gurvinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer/PIO and Smt. Paramjit Kaur, Sr. Assistant O/o GMADA, Mohali come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 08.10.2021. On the asking of the Bench,



AC No.3449/2021

Smt. Paramjit Kaur states that Ms.Sapna Randhawa has apprised of the deficiencies on phone a few moments before the hearing. The PIO requests that it will be in the fitness of things if the appellant is asked to convey him the deficiencies in writing and on receipt of the same, he will be able to address the deficiencies so pointed out by the appellant on priority.

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- 4. Post deliberations, the Bench advises the appellant to convey the deficiencies in the information received, through e.mail or a letter. The PIO is directed to remove the deficiencies on the receipt of same and to supply rectified information before the next hearing. The PIO is further 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 the official records in AC No.3449/2021 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. The original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record. The PIO assures to do the needful.
- With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned.To come up for hearing on
   14.02.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh** 15.11.2021

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