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Arun Sidhu, S/o Sohan Lal, H.No.1108/3, St.No.2,Manohar Nagar, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Complaint Case 1316 of 2021_(Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Complainant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

- 1. The complainant, **Arun Sidhu**, filed this RTI application dated **30.10.2021** and sought information <u>regarding ward No. 65, Manohar Nagar</u>, from the PIO o/o **Commissioner**, **Municipal Corporation**, **Ludhiana**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **10.12.2021**. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **15.6.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. This case is adjourned to its next hearing.
- 3. <u>Next hearing on 30.8.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.</u>

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Sahil Verma,Chamber No. 302, District Courts, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o EO, Improvement Trust, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, EO, Improvement Trust, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 5429 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Vipul Bhavuta, Advocate (for the Appellant) 97800-00740 (Appellant) Absent

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **20.7.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding the auction held on **5.5.2015**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **3.9.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **1.12.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **15.6.2022**.
- 2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. As per the PIO's reply to the appellant vide Letter No. 4435 Dated 16.8.2021, the information was denied as third party information. The respondent has however, not submitted any detail with regard to the process that is mandatory as per Section 11 of the RTI Act 2005.
- 3. In view of the above, the Commission deems it fit to issue the respondent PIO with this Show Cause Notice.
- 4. The respondent <u>PIO-cum-EO, Kuljeet Kaur</u>, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **20.7.2021**.

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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Appeal Case No. 5429 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

6. Next hearing on 30.8.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 15.6.2022

Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner,

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Milan,

Milan Niwas, New Dana Mandi, Salem Tabri, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Secretary, Market Committee, Salem Tabri, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, Punjab Mandi Board, Mohali.

Appeal Case No. 5647 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: Milan (Appellant) 98144-44018 (Appellant) Absent

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **23.7.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding rehri/fari vendors</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.10.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **13.12.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **15.6.2022**.
- 2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. As reply filed by PIO, vide Letter No. 1861 Dated 24.8.2021, most of the information has been denied as nil. The appellant points out that copies of the notices issued to rehri/fadhi vendors requested at point 4 of the RTI application has also been denied by the respondent PIO stating that no such notices were issued. However, the appellant has submitted a copy of one such notice by way of evidence.
- 3. In view of the above, the respondent PIO, office of Secretary, Market Committee, Salem Tabri, Ludhiana, is hereby directed to submit a pointwise reply to the RTI application by way of duly notarized affidavit. The original affidavit is to be sent to the appellant by registered post and a copy of the same is to be sent to this Commission before the next hearing.
- 4. Next hearing on 25.8.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

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Davinder Sharma Bitta,

S/o Sh. Sham Lal, H.No.874, St. No.6, Janakpuri, Ludhiana.141003.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 5049 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Davinder Sharma Bitta (Appellant) 94171-36539 Vishal Rampal, Building Inspector from Zone A (for the Respondent) 77430-25685

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **27.7.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Swala hotel**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.9.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.11.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **15.6.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, in a reply to the appellant vide Letter No. 47 Dated 13.6.2022, has given a pointwise reply denying the information. The Commission examined the RTI application and is of the view that the information sought at points 2 and 4 of the RTI application constitutes a valid request as per the Act.
- 3. The respondent PIO is hereby directed to search out requested information and supply it to the appellant with a copy to this Commission within 21 days of receipt of this Order. This must be attested in the stipulated format.
- 4. Next hearing on 30.8.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)

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Reena,

W/o Shaminder Singh, B-34/449, St. No. 2, Chander Nagar, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Municipal Corporation, Zone D, Building Branch, Ludhiana.

Public Information officer,

o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 5249 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Shaminder Singh (for the Appellant) 93060-38417 Rvinder Singh Walia, Draftsman from Zone D (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **30.8.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding complaints against the appellant in four points, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.10.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.11.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **15.6.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are present. As per a reply submitted by the respondent PIO vide Letter No. 46 Dated 9.6.2022, the requested information was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 315 Dated 30.11.2021. The appellant however, states that she has not received any reply or information. Notably, the copy received in the Commission is not legible.
- 3. The respondent PIO is hereby directed to submit earlier reply with clear photocopies of the requested information after due attestation, to the appellant as well as this Commission by registered post within 15 days of this Order.
- 4. Next hearing on 30.8.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY)

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Tirlok Nath Taneja (senior citizen) BX 1, 1344, Old Civil Hospital Road, Ludhiana-141008.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 4593 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Trilok Nath Taneja (Appellant) 98154-00843 Vishal Rampal, Building Inspector from Zone A (for the Respondent) 77430-25685

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 19.4.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information regarding illegal construction in property No. 1248, Gali Rupa Mistry, Hira Halwai Chowk, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 29.5.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 8.10.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on 15.6.2022.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, in a reply vide Letter No. 514 Dated 6.7.2021, has provided a pointwise reply to the appellant. Subsequently, at the hearing held by the First Appellate Authority on 7.7.2021, when the appellant raised objections to the PIO's reply, the respondent PIO assured the FAA that all the requested information would be supplied to the appellant before 20.7.2021. However, no further reply or records were furnished to the appellant.
- 3. The Commission rejects the PIO's reply of 6.7.2021. The respondent PIO's conduct is in gross violation of RTI Act 2005 and the Commission deems it fit to issue him with this Show Cause Notice.
- 4. The respondent <u>PIO-cum-ATP, Mohan Singh</u>, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **19.4.2021**.

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Appeal Case No. 4593 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

- 5. The respondent PIO is further directed to submit a fresh pointwise reply to the RTI application along with the duly attested copies of information. This must be done within 15 days of receipt this Order.
- 6. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

7. Next hearing on 30.8.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 15.6.2022

Cc: Commissioner,

Municipal Corporation,

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Tirlok Nath Taneja (senior citizen) BX 1, 1344, Old Civil Hospital Road, Ludhiana-141008.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 4594 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Trilok Nath Taneja (Appellant) 98154-00843 Vishal Rampal, Building Inspector from Zone A (for the Respondent) 77430-25685

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **8.4.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding House No. B-9,1248, gali rupa mistri, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **26.5.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.10.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **15.6.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, in a reply to the appellant vide Letter No. 516 Dated 6.7.2021, provided a pointwise reply to the appellant. Subsequently, at the hearing by the First Appellate Authority on 7.7.2021, when the appellant raised objections to the PIO's reply, the respondent PIO assured the FAA that all the requested information will be supplied to the appellant before 20.7.2021. However, no further reply or records were furnished to the appellant.
- 3. The Commission rejects the PIO's reply Dated 6.7.2021. The respondent PIO's conduct is in gross violation of RTI Act 2005 and the Commission deems it fit to issue him with this Show Cause Notice.
- 4. The respondent <u>PIO-cum-ATP</u>, <u>Mohan Singh</u>, is herewith ordered to <u>SHOW CAUSE</u> as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **8.4.2021**.

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Appeal Case No. 4594 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

- 5. The respondent PIO is further directed to submit a fresh, pointwise reply to the RTI application along with the duly attested copies of information. This must be done within 15 days of receipt this Order.
- 6. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

7. Next hearing on 30.8.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 15.6.2022

Cc: Commissioner.

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Tirlok Nath Taneja, (senior citizen) BX 1, 1344, Old Civil Hospital Road, Ludhiana-141008.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 4595 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Trilok Nath Taneja (Appellant) 98154-00843 Vishal Rampal, Building Inspector from Zone A (for the Respondent) 77430-25685

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **17.4.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding illegal/unlawful projections and pillars in front of property no. 1249</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **26.5.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.10.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **15.6.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, in a reply to the appellant vide Letter No. 518 Dated 6.7.2021, provided a pointwise reply to the appellant. Subsequently, at the hearing before the First Appellate Authority on 7.7.2021, when the appellant raised objections to the PIO's reply, the respondent PIO assured the FAA that all the requested information will be supplied to the appellant before 20.7.2021. However, no further reply or records were furnished to the appellant.
- 3. The Commission rejects the PIO's reply Dated 6.7.2021. The respondent PIO's conduct is in gross violation of RTI Act 2005 and the Commission deems it fit to issue him with this Show Cause Notice.
- 4. The respondent <u>PIO-cum-ATP</u>, <u>Mohan Singh</u>, is herewith ordered to <u>SHOW CAUSE</u> as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **17.4.2021**.

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Appeal Case No. 4595 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

- 5. The respondent PIO is further directed to submit a fresh pointwise reply to the RTI application along with the duly attested copies of information. This must be done within 15 days of receipt this Order.
- 6. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

7. Next hearing on 30.8.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Cc: Commissioner.

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Jagjit Singh, S/o Sh. Harbans Singh, R/o Aman Nagar, Street No. 3, Backside Green Land School, Near Jalandhar Bypass, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o DCFA, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.
Public Information officer,
o/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3742 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **9.3.2022**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 19.5.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information regarding the fees received with RTI applications in all the four Zones from 1.1.2014 to 1.5.2021 etc., in Five points, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 25.6.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 19.8.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on 9.3.2022.
- 2. Both parties are absent. At the last hearing on 9.3.2022, the respondent PIO was granted time to furnish a reply before today's hearing. The respondent PIO-cum-DCFA, has failed to comply. The Commission deems it fit to issue the respondent PIO-cum-DCFA, with this Show Cause Notice.
- 3. The respondent <u>PIO-cum-DCFA</u>, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **19.5.2021**.

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Appeal Case No. 3742 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. Next hearing on 18.11.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 15.6.2022

Cc: Commissioner,

Municipal Corporation,