

# PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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## REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

**Jitendra Kumar Sood,**

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Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh – 201 011

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**

o/o Municipal Committee,

Kharar, Mohali.

**First Appellate Authority,**

o/o Regional Deputy Director Local Government,

A-Block, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Mini Secretariat,

District Patiala – 147003

### Appeal Case No. 3900 of 2019

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 19.12.19, 13.2.2020 and 24.9.2020)*

1. The RTI application is dated **6.6.19** vide which the appellant has sought information as under:

1. Whether your office had received request letter from CGEWHO regarding to provide completion certificate of housing project, Mohali, phase 2, Kharar, if so provide the legible copy of request letter.
2. Provide legible documents submitted by CGEWHO to obtain completion certificate.
3. Name and designation of the official(s) visited the site for inspection of project and also provide copy of report.
4. Provide legible copy of occupancy certificate if issued by your office,

as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **23.8.19**, and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **18.10.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **24.9.2020**.

2. In reply to this Commission's order of 13.2.2020, where after this case was postponed repeatedly in light of the Covid-19 restrictions, the respondent PIO submitted an Affidavit dated: 24.12.2020 wherein he has stated that "remaining information" was sent to the appellant by registered post on 22.6.2020. The respondent PIO also submitted proof of payment of compensation of Rs. 10,000/- earlier ordered by this Commission, to the appellant. However, the appellant has repeatedly denied that the information has been furnished by the respondent PIO and that his request has still not been complied with. The respondent PIO, office of Municipal Committee, Kharar, Mohali, is herewith issued a Show Cause Notice.

3. The respondent PIO 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 **6.6.19**.

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“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*.”

4. The appellant is also requested to submit a point-wise submission of the status of the information requested by him at each point.

5. **Next hearing on 23.7.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Mohali.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

16.6.2021

Cc: Regional Deputy Director Local Government,  
A-Block, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Mini Secretariat,  
District Patiala, for information and further necessary action.