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Gaganpreet Singh (Advocate),
S/o Sh. Gurinder Pal Singh,
Chamber No. 8039, 8th Floor,
New Court Complex, Part-II,
District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Chairman / Executive Officer,
Ludhiana Improvement Trust,
District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Chairman / Executive Officer,
Ludhiana Improvement Trust,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 236 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Complainant) Absent

Chetana Advocate (for the Respondent) 97804-34600

Rama Shanker, Clerk (for the Respondent) 79734-99545

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **20.8.2021 and 1.11.2021**)*

1. The RTI application is dated **5.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Dayanand Medical College and Hospital, Ludhiana, by way of details regarding land allotted, copy of allotment letter resolution etc.,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **9.11.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Ms. Chetana Advocate and Rama Shanker, Clerk, state that this Commission's Order of 1.11.2021, was not received by them and only been downloaded from the website of the Commission today. In view of the respondent's contention this Commission grants the respondent PIO 15 days time from today to comply with this Commission's order of 1.11.2021.

3. **Next hearing on 10.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Vijay Kumar,
S/o Sh. Mohan Lal,
11889, Street No.2, Mohalla Atal Nagar,
Rahoan Road, Basti Jodhewal,
District Ludhiana – 141 007

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 1272 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector from Zone A (for the Respondent) 99885-00257

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **18.8.2021 and 28.9.2021**)*

1. The RTI application is dated **21.7.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding an application – No. 345/PS/R dated 3.6.2020; documents submitted at the time of enquiry; statements and enquiry report**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **28.9.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.3.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **28.9.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector from Zone A, has submitted a reply sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 844/ATP/A/RTI/D Dated 15.12.2021, informing him that the complaint cited in the RTI application was not received in the receipt register of the building branch. Ms. Gurpreet Kaur, informed the Commission that she personally checked the receipt register for the entire month of June 2020, when said complaint was purportedly submitted to the office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

3. It is notable that the appellant did not submitted a copy of his complaint alongwith the RTI application or with this Second Appeal. Under these circumstances, the respondent states that it is impossible to trace and consequently action taken thereon.

4. The respondent PIO-cum-ATP from Zone A, is herewith directed to seek the assistance of the PIO office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, in writing citing Section 5(4) of the RTI Act 2005, to locate the complaint cited in this RTI application.

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Appeal Case No. 1272 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 10.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

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S/o Sh. Kulvir Singh,
2990/76, Street No. 4,
Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Near Mair Di Chakki,
Post Office-Daba,
District Ludhiana – 141 003

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 1297 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (for the Appellant)

Gagandeep Singh, Clerk from Zone B (for the Respondent) 98785-18997

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.8.2021 and 28.9.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **1.12.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding complaint bearing Diary No. 3148/PS/R dated 25.11.2020**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **6.1.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **10.3.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **28.9.2021**.

2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 28.9.2021, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the respondent PIO. In response to the Show Cause Notice the PIO-cum-XEN, O&M Cell from Zone B, has submitted a reply along with the information supplied to the appellant vide Letter No. 1934/XEN/O&M Dated 15.12.2021. The Show Cause Notice pertaining to Zone B is withdrawn herewith.

3. The Show Cause Notice Dated 28.9.2021 still stands against the following:

- i) PIO-cum-XEN, O & M Cell, Zone-A.
- ii) PIO-cum-XEN, O & M Cell, Zone-C.
- iii) PIO-cum-XEN, O & M Cell, Zone-D.

They are given a final opportunity to submit a reply along with the information. Failure to comply shall invite penal consequences as per the RTI Act 2005.

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Appeal Case No. 1297 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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 1.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o XEN, O&M Cell, Zone-C,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 1298 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (for the Appellant)
Gokaran Kumar, Junior Engineer from Zone C (for the Respondent) 99888-31600

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.8.2021 and 28.9.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **28.11.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding water and sewerage connections from 1.1.2018 to till date by O&M Cell Zone-C, branch/submersible pumps in Industrial Units**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **31.12.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **10.3.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **28.9.2021**.

2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 28.9.2021, the respondent PIO-cum-XEN, O&M Cell from Zone-C, was issued a Show Cause Notice to which he has submitted no written reply and also not availed the opportunity to heard in person. The representative of the respondent PIO, Gokaran Kumar, Junior Engineer, O&M Cell from Zone-C, states that a reply was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 1389/XEN/O & M Dated 19.1.2021, wherein the appellant was asked to deposit Rs. 500/- as copying charges for the information. It was pointed out at this hearing that there can be no demand for copying costs after lapse of 30 days from the date of RTI application which is 28.11.2020.

3. Under the circumstances, the demand raised by the respondent PIO is in violation of the RTI Act 2005. The Show Cause Notice issued to the respondent PIO-cum-XEN, Balwinder Singh, O&M Cell from Zone-C, stands and he is herewith directed to supply requested information free of cost within 15 days of this hearing. Failure to do so shall invite penal consequences.

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Appeal Case No. 1298 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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 1.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Amarjit Singh Dhamotia,
Distt. President Ludhiana NCAG,
House No. 60-35-P-376-1, Street No.8,
Maha Singh Nagar, PO Dhandari Kalan,
Ludhiana – 141 014.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Chief Administrator,
Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA)
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Chief Administrator,
Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA)
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3053 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (for the Appellant)
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 6.1.2021 and 11.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **20.7.2020** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding property attached by the ED in Village Jandiala near Kohara**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.8.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **14.10.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.8.2021**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent but has informed this Commission that he is unwell and so on leave. At the last hearing on 11.8.2021, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the respondent PIO to which he has not made any written submission.

3. In view of the respondent's plea that he is unwell, this Commission grants him one more opportunity to file a written reply alongwith the requested information in this RTI application.

4. **Next hearing on 1.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Charanjit Singh,
S/o Kartar Singh,
Village Hambran, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Sub Divisional Officer, PSPCL,
Hambran, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Superintendent,
PSPCL Mullanpur-Dakha,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3119 of 2019 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Paramjit Singh, LDC (for the Respondent) 77106-79287

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 6.1.2021 and 11.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **30.6.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding tube well connections given under the MP/MLA quota in Hambran village etc.,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.8.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.10.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has made a written submission to this Commission. The respondent PIO, is represented by Paramjit Singh, LDC, but he has no information regarding this Appeal Case. At the last hearing on 11.8.2021, the appellant had stated that the information supplied to him is deficient. He was advised to list the deficiencies in a point-wise manner to the respondent PIO with a copy to this Commission. The respondent PIO was directed to respond to the deficiencies listed by the appellant along with the missing information as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

3. The Commission notes that the appellant has not listed any deficiencies and is randomly seeking affidavits from the respondent PIO vide his submission to this Commission (received vide Diary No. 19157 Dated 26.8.2021). It is this Commission's considered view that the appellant is not able to list specific deficiencies in the information given to him. The Commission grants the appellant one final opportunity to list the deficiencies in a pointwise manner. Failure to avail of this final opportunity will compel the Commission to Dispose of and Close this Appeal Case.

4. Next hearing on 3.2.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia,
S/o Sh. Gurcharan Singh,
Ward No.18, Street No.2,
Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road,
Khanna-141401

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Khanna.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Urban Local Government,
1st Floor, Mini Secretariat,
Ferozepur Road,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 437 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (Appellant) 94645-00405
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity of earlier order on **11.8.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **4.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding tenders etc.**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.10.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.8.2021**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent but has informed the Commission via an email of his inability to attend today's hearing. However, at the last hearing on 11.8.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to re-examine the RTI application and file a reply along with the requested information within 15 days of receipt of that Order. The respondent PIO has failed to comply with said order.

3. Under the circumstances, this Commission deems it to fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-EO, Charanjit Singh, with this Show Cause Notice.

4. The respondent **PIO-cum-XEN, Charanjit Singh**, 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 **4.9.2020**.

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Appeal Case No. 437 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. 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 16.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner, Urban Local Government, Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Ward No.18, Street No.2,
Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road,
Khanna-141401

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Khanna.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Urban Local Government,
1st Floor, Mini Secretariat,
Ferozepur Road,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 438 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (Appellant) 94645-00405
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity of earlier order on **11.8.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **2.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding picking/collection and removal of the garbage within the Municipal limits in Khanna**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.10.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.8.2021**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent but has informed the Commission via an email of his inability to attend today's hearing. However, at the last hearing on 11.8.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to re-examine the RTI application and file a reply along with the requested information within 15 days of receipt of that Order. The respondent PIO has failed to comply with said order.

3. Under the circumstances, this Commission deems it to fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-EO, Charanjit Singh, with this Show Cause Notice.

4. The respondent **PIO-cum-XEN, Charanjit Singh**, 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 **2.9.2020**.

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Appeal Case No. 438 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. 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 16.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

16.12.2021

Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner, Urban Local Government, Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Versus

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o/o Executive Officer,
Municipal Council,
Khanna.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Urban Local Government,
1st Floor, Mini Secretariat,
Ferozepur Road,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 439 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (Appellant) 94645-00405
Mahinder Kumar, Technician (for the Respondent) 76580-16461

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity of earlier order on **11.8.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **3.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding Harwinder Singh**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.10.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.8.2021**.
2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 11.8.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to file a written pointwise reply along with the requested information within 15 days of receipt of that Order. The respondent PIO has failed to comply with said order.
3. Under the circumstances, this Commission deems it to fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-EO, Charanjit Singh, with this Show Cause Notice.
4. The respondent **PIO-cum-XEN, Charanjit Singh**, 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 **3.9.2020**.

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Appeal Case No. 439 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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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 16.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh
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Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner, Urban Local Government, Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Versus

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o/o Municipal Council,
Khanna.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Urban Local Government,
1st Floor, Mini Secretariat,
Ferozepur Road,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 440 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (Appellant) 94645-00405
Mahinder Kumar, Technician (for the Respondent) 76580-16461

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity of earlier order on **11.8.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **28.8.2020** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding bills entered in the MBs book**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.10.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.8.2021**.
2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 11.8.2021, the respondent PIO is directed to file a written pointwise reply along with the requested information within 15 days of receipt of that Order. The respondent PIO has failed to comply with said order.
3. Under the circumstances, this Commission deems it to fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-EO, Charanjit Singh, with this Show Cause Notice.
4. The respondent **PIO-cum-XEN, Charanjit Singh**, 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 **28.8.2020**.

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Appeal Case No. 440 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.

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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 16.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh
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Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner, Urban Local Government, Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

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Khanna-141401

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Municipal Council,
Khanna.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Urban Local Government,
1st Floor, Mini Secretariat,
Ferozepur Road,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 441 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia (Appellant) 94645-00405
Mahinder Kumar, Technician (for the Respondent) 76580-16461

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity of earlier order on **11.8.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **28.8.2020** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding bills of all departments entered in MB books**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.10.2020**, and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.8.2021**.
2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 11.8.2021, the respondent PIO was directed to file a written, pointwise reply along with the requested information within 15 days of receipt of that Order. The respondent PIO has failed to comply with said order.
3. Under the circumstances, this Commission deems it to fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-EO, Charanjit Singh, with this Show Cause Notice.
4. The respondent **PIO-cum-XEN, Charanjit Singh**, 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 **28.8.2020**.

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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*.” Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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

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