

Munish Kumar Adya
S/o Late Sh. Girdhar Gopal Adya,
H. No. B-05-975,
Mohalla Falan Adda,
Daal Bazar, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Zone – A, Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4556 of 2019

Present : Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Ashok Kumar, Superintendent, Zone – A, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

This case was last heard on 25.02.2020 and **a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana** with the directions to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address and an opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Sh. Ashok Kumar, Superintendent of Zone - A, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the required information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 296 dated 11.03.2020 through registered post.

The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 001 dated 08.06.2020 signed by Superintendent (Property Tax) of Zone - A, M. C., Ludhiana, has intimated the Commission that the required information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 296 dated 11.03.2020 through registered post. It, alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Munish Kumar Adya, orally intimates the Commission that the appellant has received partial information as he has received information starting from page no. 27 to 57 but page no. 01 to 26 is still pending.

The appellant, Sh. Munish Kumar Adya also through a letter dated 11.06.2020, signed by himself, has intimated the Commission that he has received information starting from page no. 27 to 57 but page no. 01 to 26 is still pending.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant or his authorized representative to inspect the relevant official record on 18.06.2020 at 11:00 A. M. so that he could identify the required information. The appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 18.06.2020 at 11:00 A. M to identify the information.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him as per official record by the next date of hearing.

Sh. Ashok Kumar, Superintendent of Zone - A, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The respondent PIO has also sent a reply vide letter no. 004 dated 10.06.2020 signed by Superintendent (Property Tax) of Zone - A, M. C., Ludhiana, to the show-cause notice (issued vide orders dated 25.02.2020. It is taken on record.

After going through the reply sent vide letter no. 004 dated 10.06.2020 by the respondent PIO and finding the explanation genuine, the show cause issued to him is **dropped.**

The case is **adjourned to 17.8.20 at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :17th June, 2020

**(Sanjiv Garg)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**

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First Appellate Authority,
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...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4557 of 2019

Present : Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Ashok Kumar, Superintendent, Zone – A ;
ii) Sh. Satish Kumar, Superintendent-cum-PIO, Zone – A, in person.

ORDER

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This case was last heard on 25.02.2020 and **a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana** with the directions to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address and an opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Sh. Ashok Kumar and Sh. Satish Kumar(Property Tax), both Superintendents of Zone - A, who appeared in person in today's hearing, state that the required information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 300 dated 11.03.2020 through registered post.

The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 002 dated 08.06.2020 signed by Superintendent (Property Tax) of Zone - A, M. C., Ludhiana, has intimated the Commission that the required information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 300 dated 11.03.2020 through registered post. It, alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Munish Kumar Adya, orally intimates the Commission that the information, supplied to the appellant is not as per queries raised by him through his RTI request.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant or his authorized representative to inspect the relevant official record on 18.06.2020 at 12:00 noon. so that he could identify the required information. The appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 18.06.2020 at 11:00 noon to identify the information.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him as per official record by the next date of hearing.

Sh. Ashok Kumar, Superintendent of Zone - A, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The respondent PIO has also sent a reply vide letter no. 005 dated 10.06.2020 signed by Superintendent (Property Tax) of Zone - A, M. C., Ludhiana, has sent a reply to the show-cause notice (issued vide orders dated 25.02.2020). It is taken on record.

After going through the reply sent vide letter no. 005 dated 10.06.2020 by the respondent PIO and finding the explanation genuine, the show cause issued to him is **dropped**.

The case is **adjourned to 17.8.20 at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

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First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
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...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 4558 of 2019

Present : Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, on behalf of the appellant.
i) Sh. Ashok Kumar, Superintendent, Zone – A ;
ii) Sh. Satish Kumar, Superintendent-cum-PIO, Zone – A, in person.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

This case was last heard on 25.02.2020 and **a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act was issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Zone-A, Ludhiana** with the directions to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant through registered post at his residential address and an opportunity was also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

Sh. Ashok Kumar and Sh. Satish Kumar(Property Tax), both Superintendents of Zone - A, who appeared in person in today's hearing, state that the required information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 298 dated 11.03.2020 through registered post.

The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 003 dated 08.06.2020 signed by Superintendent (Property Tax) of Zone - A, M. C., Ludhiana, has intimated the Commission that the required information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 298 dated 11.03.2020 through registered post. It, alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

Sh. A. K. Kalsi, Advocate, who appeared on behalf of the appellant, Sh. Munish Kumar Adya, orally intimates the Commission that the information, supplied to the appellant is incomplete as the appellant has received only one forwarding page of the reply but the said enclosure of four pages are attached with it.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant or his authorized representative to inspect the relevant official record on 18.06.2020 at 12:00 noon. so that he could identify the required information. The appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 18.06.2020 at 11:00 noon to identify the information.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him as per official record by the next date of hearing.

Sh. Ashok Kumar, Superintendent of Zone - A, would remain present during the inspection of the relevant official record.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The respondent PIO has also sent a reply vide letter no. 006 dated 10.06.2020 signed by Superintendent (Property Tax) of Zone - A, M. C., Ludhiana, has sent a reply to the show-cause notice (issued vide orders dated 25.02.2020. It is taken on record.

After going through the reply sent vide letter no. 006 dated 10.06.2020 by the respondent PIO and finding the explanation genuine, the show cause issued to him is **dropped**.

The case is **adjourned to 17.8.20 at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

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Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

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Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 291 of 2020

Present : Sh. Jagjit Singh, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 12.10.2019. First appeal is dated 14.11.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 14.01.2020.

Sh. Jagjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the required information has not been supplied to him by the respondent PIO till date.

The respondent PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission in today's hearing. Moreover, the requisite information has also not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker till date. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

Last and final opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO concerned to send a copy of the required information to the appellant through registered post and copy of the postal receipt (through which information would be sent to the Appellant), to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 17.8.20 at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

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...Appellant

V/s

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O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 292 of 2020

Present : Sh. Jagjit Singh , the appellant in person.
Sh. Nirmaljit Verma, Building Inspector, on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 24.06.2019. First appeal is dated 28.09.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 14.01.2020.

The appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the required information has not been supplied to him by the respondent PIO till date.

Sh. Nirmaljit Verma, Building Inspector, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that the requisite information sought for by the appellant, Sh. Jagjit Singh is voluminous in nature, moreover not specific. He also states that through a letter no. 190 dated 15.02.2020, the appellant was asked to be more specific for what he demands, so that information could be provided to him.

The respondent PIO concerned is directed to facilitate the appellant to inspect the relevant official record on 18.06.2020 at 11:00 A. M. so that he could identify the required information. The appellant is also advised to avail the opportunity to inspect the relevant official record on 18.06.2020 at 11:00 A. M to identify the information so that the respondent PIO could provide the requisite information to him.

The respondent-PIO concerned is directed to supply the required information, which would be identified by the appellant after inspection, to him by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned.

The case is **adjourned to 17.8.20 at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

Date :17th June, 2020

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State Information Commissioner
Punjab

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Near Jalandhar Bypass, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
(Regd. Post) O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana(Punjab)
First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 312 of 2020

Present : Sh. Jagjit Singh, the appellant in person.
None on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 29.03.2019. First appeal is dated 01.05.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.01.2020.

Sh. Jagjit Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that the required information has not been supplied to him by the respondent PIO till date.

The respondent PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission in today's hearing. Moreover, the requisite information has also not been supplied by the respondent PIO to the information seeker till date. The Commission took a serious view of this casual approach of the respondent PIO.

In view of the above, a show cause notice under Section 20 (1) of the RTI Act is issued to Public Information Officer concerned of office of Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/denial in supplying the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the information-seeker under the provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

The PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section 20(1) provision, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post.

Last and final opportunity is also given to the respondent PIO concerned to send a copy of the required information to the appellant through registered post and copy of the postal receipt (through which information would be sent to the Appellant), to the Commission by the next date of hearing.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not. He is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, in the information supplied to him, in writing, to the respondent PIO well in time so that the same could be removed by the respondent concerned by the next date of hearing.

The case is **adjourned to 17.8.20 at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.**

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Ludhiana - 141010 (Punjab)

...Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Zone – D, Ludhiana(Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,
O/o The Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 330 of 2020

Present : None on behalf of the appellant.
Sh. Tajinder Pal Singh, Secretary-cum-PIO, in person.

ORDER

Heard through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'.

The RTI request is dated 06.09.2019. First appeal is dated 11.10.2019. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 15.01.2020.

Sh. Tajinder Pal Singh, Secretary-cum-PIO, who appeared in person, in today's hearing, states that the required information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter no. 566 dated 05.03.2020 through registered post.

The respondent PIO through a reply vide letter no. 591 dated 12.06.2020 signed by PIO-cum-Secretary(Agenda Branch), M. C., Ludhiana, has intimated the Commission that the required information has been supplied to the appellant, Sh. Gagnish Singh Khurana vide letter no. 566 dated 05.03.2020 through registered post. It, alongwith a copy of postal receipt, is taken on record.

The appellant, Sh. Gagnish Singh Khurana is absent from today's hearing without any intimation to the Commission.

An opportunity is also given to the appellant to confirm whether he has received the information or not or it would be assumed that the appellant has received the required information and is satisfied with the same and the case would be decided on merits.

The case is **adjourned to 17.8.20 at 11:00 A. M. for hearing through Video Conference facility of Software/application 'CISCO Webex Meetings'**.

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