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Shri Tejinder Singh,Advocate Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

Area Town Planner O/o Estate Officer(Regulatory), Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

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

....Respondents

AC No.1024 of 2021

Present: (i) Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant (cisco webex).

(ii) Shri Manpreet Singh, Superintendent O/o GLADA, Ludhiana, on behalf of the PIO/Respondent, in person.

<u>ORDER</u>

(Heard through cisco webex/in person)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.04.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard. Shri Tejinder Singh comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that no information has been supplied to him.
- 3. Shri Manpreet Singh, Superintendent O/o GLADA, Ludhiana comes present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. He states that a letter dated 01.07.2022 was sent to the appellant to inspect the records, however, there was no response from him.
- 4. The representative of PIO again requests the appellant to visit the office of GLADA and he will assist him in the inspection of records. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that he can visit the office of GLADA for inspection of records on 22.07.2022.

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5. The representative of PIO is directed to assist the appellant on his visit to GLADA office in the inspection of records. The PIO is directed to provide information to the appellant as may be identified by him after inspection. He is also directed to ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.

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6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 21.09.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 20.07.2022

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Shri Kulbir Pal S/o Shri Assa Ram, R/o Village Kalianpur, District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Panchayat Secretary, O/o BDPO, Jalandhar (West), Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority O/o. District Development and Panchayat Officer (DDPO), Jalandhar.

...Respondents

AC No.5519/2021

Present: (i) Shri Kulbir Pal, Appellant, in person.

(ii) None on behalf of BDPO Jalandhar (West)/PIO/respondent.

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.04.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Kulbir Pal, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he was called by Panchayat Secretary on 01.07.2022 and incomplete information has been supplied to him. The affidavit provided to him as per directions of Hon'ble Bench is not in order. He further states that at present, Shri Kashmir Singh is the Panchayat Secretary of Gram Panchayat, Kalianpur, Block Jalandhar (West), District Jalandhar.
- 3. Attempts are made to contact Shri Kashmir Singh, Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Kalianpur, Block Jalandhar (West), on mobile phone. But in spite of repeated attempts, he does not respond to the phone calls. He has also not bothered to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex. This indifferent attitude and causal approach of the PIO towards the directions of the Bench is viewed adversely.
- 4. Shri Kashmir Singh, Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Kalianpur, Block Jalandhar (West), District Jalandhar is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to

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appear for the hearing and not supplying complete information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

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- 5. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply 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.
- 6. The PIO is directed to supply complete information to the appellant before the next hearing as also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench, failing which, the Bench will be constrained to issue bailable warrant to ensure his presence before the Bench. He is also directed to file fresh affidavit after supplying complete information to the appellant as per directions given during the previous hearing.
- 7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 21.09.2022 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 Prem Kumar Rattan, H.No.78/8, Park Road, Navi Mandi, Dhuri, District Sangrur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Engineer, Sub Division, PSPCL, Bhadaur, District Barnala.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Engineer, PSPCL Circle Office, Barnala.

...Respondents

AC No.2247/2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/respondent).

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application is dated 09.02.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 10.03.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 09.05.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 20.07.2022. Accordingly, the case was scheduled to be heard today. Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex. He has, however, sent letter dated 15.07.2022 stating that he is going to Canada to join his children and as such, is unable to attend the hearing and has requested for another date any time after 10.09.2022.
- 3. Neither the PIO O/o XEN, Sub Division, PSPCL Bhadaur, District Barnala has come present to attend the hearing in person or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing.
- 4. In the absence of the PIO as well as the appellant, the Bench is unable to proceed further in the matter and as such, the Bench deems it appropriate to adjourn the matter. he PIO is, however, directed to supply information to the appellant and ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 21.09.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

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.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Chief Managing Director, PSPCL, Lower Mall, Patiala.,

First Appellate Authority O/o Chief Managing Director, PSPCL, Lower Mall, Patiala.

...Respondents

AC No.2249/2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.

> (ii) Shri Ajay Bansal, Dy.Chief Engineer/HQs., South Zone, PSPCL, Patiala,

PIO/respondent.

Shri Sandeep Garg, Sr. XEN, Sub Urban Division, PSPCL, Barnala. (iii)

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 17.02.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 16.03.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 09.05.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 20.07.2022. Accordingly, the case was scheduled to be heard today. Shri Prem Kumar Rattan, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex. He has, however, sent letter dated 15.07.2022 stating that he is going to Canada to join his children and as such, is unable to attend the hearing and has requested for another date any time after 10.09.2022.
- 3. Shri Ajay Bansal, Dy.Chief Engineer/HQs/PIO, PSPCL, Patiala comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the matter relates to Sub Urban Division, PSPCL, Barnala and that the Sandeep Garg is the concerned officer. Shri Sandeep Garg, Sr.XEN, Sub Urban Division, PSPCL, Barnala attends the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the information sought by the appellant is voluminous and as such, could not be supplied in time. He, however, states that the information will be sent to the appellant on priority in next two/three days



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- 4. The Bench directs the PIO Sub Urban Division, PSPCL, Barnala to ensure to send the information to the appellant with a copy to the Commission before the next hearing.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the mater is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 21.09.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh 20.07.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab