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Shri Kuldip Kumar Kaura  
Retd. Lecturer,  
# 5-C, Phase-I, Urban Estate,  
Focal Point, Ludhiana.

...Appellant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o Zonal Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation,  
Zone-C, Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority-cum-**  
O/o Zonal Commissioner,  
Municipal Corporation,  
Zone-C, Ludhiana.

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No.503 of 2020**

**PRESENT :** (i) **Appellant- absent**  
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 03.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The information stands supplied to the appellant. However, the Appeal Case No.503/2020 has not been closed as the penalty imposed on the PIO is yet to be deposited.
3. The next date of hearing is 13.09.2021. Since the information stands supplied, the appellant is exempted from all future hearings.
4. The PIO will provide evidence for having deposited the penalty of Rs.10,000/- imposed during the hearing on 07.09.2020 as also file reply to the show cause notice.
5. It is also intimated that the Appeal Case No.503/2020 will be closed only post completion of action listed in para 4 above. The issue of who the PIO was when the penalty was imposed is to be decided by the Department concerned as it is an issue of office functioning and procedures. The Bench will not intervene in this regard.

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6. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.09.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
21.06.2021**

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(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))  
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**

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**Shri Pardeep Sabharwal, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,Ludhiana,**

- to intervene in the matter and ensure compliance of the orders of Commission.**

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Shri Jasbir Singh  
Village Bolapur Jhabewal,  
PO Ramgarh,  
District Ludhiana.

...Appellant

**Versus**

**Public Information Officer,**  
O/o State Transport Commissioner,  
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

**Public Information Officer**  
**O/o Secretary, R.T.A.**  
**Hoshiarpur.**

**First Appellate Authority-cum-**  
O/o State Transport Commissioner,  
Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

**Appeal Case No.1846 of 2020**

**PRESENT :** (i) **Shri Jasbir Singh, Appellant.**  
(ii) **Shri Gurbax Singh, APIO, O/o S.T.C. Punjab, Chandigarh**  
(iii) **None on behalf of the PIO O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Hoshiarpur.**

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 03.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. The appellant Shri Jasbir Singh attends the hearing through Cisco Webex and states that no information has been received by him.
3. Shri Gurbax Singh, APIO O/o S.T.C. Punjab, Chandigarh attends the hearing and states that the PIO O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Hoshiarpur Respondent No.2 has to supply the information to the appellant.
4. Neither the PIO O/o Secretary, R.T.A. Hoshiarpur has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of PIO. However, a letter dated 27.04.2021 is available in the case file wherein the PIO has stated that reply to the appellant has already been sent stating that consent of the owner of Dayal Pollution Check Centre, Nawanshahar was asked for who has refused to share information relating to Pollution Check Centre with anybody and has also enclosed the said letter of the Pollution Check Centre.

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**AC No.1846/2020**

5. The Bench, on deliberation with the appellant and perusal of the case file, observes that the information sought is not related to third party and does not agree with the contention of the PIO and directs the PIO to provide information to the appellant before the next hearing.

6. The PIO is also directed to attend the hearing before the Bench at Chandigarh on the next date of hearing. He is further directed to file reply to the show cause notice as also to produce the evidence on account of deposit of the amount of penalty imposed.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.9.2021 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
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President, Kundan Bhawan,  
126, Model Gram,  
Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

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

**First Appellate Authority**

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

....Respondents

**AC No.3544 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate, on behalf of appellant**  
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 03.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the appellant. She states that no information has been provided to the appellant so far.
3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. Shri Sunit Singla, Junior Assistant, GLADA, Ludhiana who had attended the previous hearing on behalf of the PIO, is contacted on mobile phone. He fails to give any satisfactory reply to the Bench with regard to the non-supply of information to the appellant as also explain his absence from the hearing through Cisco Webex.
4. The Bench observes that in spite of the clear directions given to the PIO on the previous hearing regarding the provision of information relating to figurative number of complaints in which the enquiry is still pending during a particular period, no action has been taken by the PIO. The Bench views the absence of the PIO as also the non-compliance of the directions of the Bench adversely.

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**AC No.3544/2020**

5. The PIO O/o Estate Officer, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana, 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 non-compliance of the directions of Commission. 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.

6. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a 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 proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The PIO is directed to supply complete information duly attested to the appellant before the next hearing as also to attend hearing in person before the Bench.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.09.2021 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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Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

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

**First Appellate Authority**

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

....Respondents

**AC No.3545 of 2020**

**Present:**

- (i) **Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate, on behalf of appellant**
- (ii) **Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO, O/o Regulatory Wing, GLADA, Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 03.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the appellant. She states that the appellant is not satisfied with the response of the PIO.
3. Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the PIO. He states that reply to the appellant has been sent vide letter 26.04.2021.
4. On the asking of the Bench, Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur states that the appellant has been informed by the PIO that the information sought is not available in excel sheet format and that the information sought is in question form and hence, cannot be given. As such, the appellant is not satisfied with the reply to his RTI application.

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**AC No.3545/2020**

4. Post deliberations with the representative of the appellant and the APIO, the Bench directs the PIO to call the representative of the appellant to his office on 28.06.2021 at 11.00 AM and allow her access to the relevant official records. The representative of appellant is advised to contact the APIO Shri Ashok Kumar who will assist her in the inspection of relevant records and ensure to provide the information so identified by the representative of the appellant after inspection of records, before the next hearing.

6. The PIO is further directed to file reply to the show cause notice issued on the previous hearing.

7. With the aforesaid direction, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.09.2021 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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Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

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

**First Appellate Authority**

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

....Respondents

**AC No.3573 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate, on behalf of appellant**  
(ii) **Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO, O/o Regulatory Wing, GLADA, Ludhiana**  
**on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 03.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the appellant. She states that the appellant is not satisfied with the response of the PIO.
3. Shri Ashok Kumar, APIO comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the PIO. He states that reply to the appellant has been sent vide letter 26.04.2021.
4. On the asking of the Bench, Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur states that the appellant has been informed by the PIO that the information sought is not available in excel sheet format in their office and that the information sought is in question form and hence, cannot be given. As such, the appellant is not satisfied with the reply to his RTI application.

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**AC No.3573/2020**

5. Post deliberations with the representative of the appellant and the APIO, the Bench directs the PIO to call the representative of the appellant to his office on 28.06.2021 at 11.00 AM and allow her access to the relevant official records. The representative of appellant is advised to contact the APIO Shri Ashok Kumar who will assist her in the inspection of relevant records and ensure to provide the information so identified by the representative of the appellant after inspection of records, before the next hearing.

6. The PIO is further directed to file reply to the show cause notice issued on the previous hearing.

7. With the aforesaid direction, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.09.2021 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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.....Appellant

Versus

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Greater Ludhiana Area  
Development Authority (GLADA),  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

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

....Respondents

**AC No.3574 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Ms. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate, on behalf of appellant**  
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER:**

**(Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 03.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing as the hearing dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Smt. Sukhjinder Kaur, Advocate comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of the appellant. She states that no information has been provided to the appellant so far.
3. Neither the PIO has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex. Shri Sunit Singla, Junior Assistant, GLADA, Ludhiana who had attended the previous hearing on behalf of the PIO, is contacted on mobile phone. He fails to give any satisfactory reply to the Bench with regard to the non-supply of information to the appellant as also explain his absence for the hearing through Cisco Webex.
4. The Bench observes that in spite of the clear directions given to the PIO on the previous hearing regarding the provision of information relating to figurative number of complaints in which the enquiry is still pending during a particular period, no action has been taken by the PIO. The Bench views the absence of the PIO as also the non-compliance of the directions of the Bench adversely.

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**AC No.3574/2020**

5. The PIO O/o Estate Officer, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana, 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 non-compliance of the directions of Commission. 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.

6. In addition to the written reply, PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for a 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 proceeding against him ex-parte.

6. The PIO is directed to supply complete information duly attested to the appellant before the next hearing as also to attend hearing in person before the Bench.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.09.2021 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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Backside Sanjh Kender,  
Phillaur, District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Secretary, Regional  
Transport Authority,  
Sangrur.

....Respondents

**AC No.2453 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant**  
(ii) **None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.**

**ORDER:**

**( Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 11.11.2020 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, appellant attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has received reply to his RTI application dated 19.04.2021 stating that the information cannot be supplied without the consent of the vehicle owners.
3. Neither the PIO has attended the hearing through Cisco Webex nor he has deputed any other official to attend the hearing on his behalf. The Bench observes that the PIO has failed to attend the hearing for the third consecutive time.
4. Post deliberations with the appellant, the Bench observes that the information asked for by the appellant is not third party information and is in the larger public interest. As such, the Bench does not agree with the contention of the PIO.

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**AC No.2453/2020**

5. The Bench directs the PIO to supply information to the appellant before the next hearing as also to come in person to attend the hearing before the Bench at Chandigarh on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to file reply to the show cause notice as also to produce the evidence on account of deposit of the amount of penalty imposed.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.09.2021 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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Phillaur, District Jalandhar..

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Nodal Officer,  
Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

**AC No.2452 of 2020**

**Present:** (i) **Shri Tejinder Singh, Appellant**  
(ii) **Shri Jasbir Singh, Sanitary Inspector, O/o Health Wing, M.C.  
Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

**ORDER:**

**( Heard through Cisco Webex)**

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 08.02.2021 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing dated 28.04.2021 was postponed.
2. The case has been heard today through Cisco Webex. Shri Tejinder Singh, appellant attends the hearing through Cisco Webex. He states that he has received information from the PIO, however, it is not to his satisfaction.
3. Shri Jasbir Singh, Sanitary Inspector, O/o PIO, Medical Officer of Health, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana attends the hearing through Cisco Webex on behalf of PIO. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letters dated 29.09.2020 and 12.10.2020.
4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant states that after receiving information, he had pointed out certain deficiencies vide letter dated 01.12.2020 but he has not been provided any information after removing the deficiencies pointed out. The appellant also states to have not been properly entertained on his visit to the office of PIO.

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**AC No.2452/2020**

4. On the asking of the Bench regarding the version of appellant, the representative of the PIO is not able to explain and seems to be ill-prepared with the instant case.

5. The PIO Dr. Malhotra is now directed supply complete information to the appellant after removing the deficiencies pointed out and also to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing and bring along all the relevant official records and produce before the Bench.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 08.09.2021 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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