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FINAL ORDER

Devinder Singh,

S/o Santokh Singh, R/o Village Rauni, Tehsil Payal, Ludhiana.

Versus

Superintendent-cum-APIO,

o/o Estate Office (Regulatory), Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), Ludhiana.

Public Information Officer,

o/o EO, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority (GLADA), GLADA Complex, Near Rajguru Nagar, Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Chief Administrator, Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 881 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Narinder Pal Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98038-14780

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **2.7.2020**, **4.9.2020**, **3.12.2020**, **11.2.2021**, **6.10.2021**, and **11.5.2022**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **9.5.2019** vide which the appellant has sought <u>information</u> <u>regarding Delta City Colony in Village Rania District Ludhiana</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.10.2019** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **25.2.20** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.5.2022**
- 2. The appellant is absent without intimation. In a reply to the Show Cause Notice issued to him on 11.5.2022, the respondent PIO has submitted a reply vide Letter No. 4950 Dated 20.7.2022, wherein he has enumerated the replies sent to the appellant including Letter No. 1429 Dated 19.2.2021, whereby 453 pages were supplied to the appellant by way of information. The respondent has also submitted a copy of the appellant's receiving.
- 3. It is notable that the appellant is absent for the Third successive hearing and there is no communication from him in the interim, which compels the Commission to conclude that he is satisfied with the information furnished by the PIO. This Appeal is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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FINAL ORDER

Gulshan Kumar, S/o Sh. Roop Lal, # 1525/1, Street No. 33, Preet Nagar, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Commissioner (O&M Cell), Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 216 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 26.8.2021, 19.10.2021, and 11.5.2022)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **4.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought voluminous information regarding the O&M Cell of all the four zones by way of details about employees of all categories; pending water and sewerage bills pertaining to all government offices, hotels, restaurants, malls, marriage palaces, Dharamshalas; copy of the government notification pertaining to water and sewerage charges of all categories of consumers; details of officers and the recoveries of pending bill by them etc. in five points, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.10.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **11.5.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. At the last hearing on 11.5.2022, the respondent PIO was issued a Show Cause Notice, whereon he has submitted a pointwise reply, which was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 86 Dated 19.7.2022, with a pointwise reply as is Ordered by this Commission vide its Order of 26.8.2021. The requisite information has been sent along with said reply.
- 3. It is notable here that the appellant is absent to the Fourth successive hearing. In fact, the appellant has not attended a single hearing of this Appeal Case. In view of the respondent PIO's reply vide Letter No. 86 Dated 19.7.2022 and the appellant's continuing absence, the Commission deems it fit to **Dispose of this Appeal**.

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
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21.7.2022

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FINAL ORDER REMAND TO PIO

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

Versus

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

Complaint Case No. 16 of 2022(Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

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

ORDER:

- 1. The complainant, Ramandeep Singh, filed this RTI application dated 3.12.2021 and sought information <u>regarding Tender ID No. DLG 7769</u>, from the PIO o/o Municipal Council, Khanna, Ludhiana. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on 29.12.2021. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on 21.7.2022.
- 2. This RTI was submitted on 3.12.2021, in response to which the respondent PIO-cum-EO, MC, Khanna, Ludhiana, returned the said application to the complainant vide Letter No. 126 Dated 21.12.2021, stating therein that the appended postal order has been made out in favour of the APIO-cum-Assistant Municipal Engineer instead of EO, MC, Khanna. The PIOs reply is reproduced below:

"ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਸਬੰਧੀ ਆਪ ਤੇ ਰਜਿਸਟਰਡ ਡਾਕ ਰਾਹੀ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹੋਏ ਪੱਤਰਾ ਦੇ ਸਬੰਧ ਵਿਚ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਸਹਾਇਕ ਅਸਿਸਟੈਂਟ ਮਿਉਂਸਪਲ ਇੰਜੀਨੀਅਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੋਸਲ ਖੰਨਾ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਦੇ ਪੋਸਟਲ ਆਰਡਰ ਲਗਾ ਕੇ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਦੀ ਮੰਗ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਆਪ ਨੂੰ ਇਸ ਪੱਤਰ ਰਾਹੀ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਮੂਲ ਰੂਪ ਵਿਚ ਵਾਪਿਸ ਕਰਦਿਆ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਦਫਤਰ ਖੰਨਾ ਦੇ ਪੀ.ਆਈ. ਓ.ਕਾਰਜ ਸਾਧਕ ਅਫਸਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੋਸਲ ਖੰਨਾ ਹਨ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਜੇਕਰ ਕਿਸੇ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਦਿ ਮੰਗ ਕੀਤੀ ਗਈ ਜਾਣੀ ਪੀ.ਆਈ. ਓ.-ਕਮ-ਕਾਰਜ ਸਾਧਕ ਅਫਸਰ ਨਗਰ ਕੋਸਲ ਖੰਨਾ ਹਨ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਤੇ ਦਰਖਾਸਤ ਦੇ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਦੀ ਮੰਗ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾ ਸਕਦੀ ਹੈ।"

3. The Commission has examined the postal order which is appended to this complaint filed by Sh. Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia and finds that the same is made out in favour of PIO-cum-EO c/o APIO-cum-Assistant Municipal Engineer, MC, Khanna. It is further notable that the RTI application has been addressed to the Assistant Municipal Engineer, MC, Khanna, who is not the concerned PIO. The application should have been addressed to the PIO-cum-EO, MC, Khanna.

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- 4. In view of the above discrepancies, this Complaint Case is remanded back to the PIO-cum-EO, MC, Khanna, with the direction that he examine the RTI application and furnish a reply/information in the spirit of transparency envisaged by the RTI Act 2005, within 30 days of receipt of this Order. In case the complainant is not satisfied with the PIO's decision, he will be free to file a First Appeal with the First Appellate Authority or Complaint to this Commission as the case may be.
- 5. This Complaint Case is accordingly **Disposed of**.

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

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FINAL ORDER

Bhushan Jain, #392, Street No. 3, Nirmal Nagar, Dugri, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o District Town Planner, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o District Town Planner, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 10 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **6.7.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding sub tehsils**, **Sahnewal**, **Delhon and Payal**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **18.10.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **16.12.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **21.7.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. The Commission has examined the PIO's reply vide Letter No. 77 dated 30.7.2021, which was within the stipulated 30 days, whereby the appellant was informed that the Master Plan Ludhiana and Master Plan, Khanna is accessible on a public Website and that the status of the Local Plan or Dehlon Master Plan Ahemadgarh is yet to be finalized. The PIO also invited the appellant to visit the office in case he requires any other specific information.
- 3. It is the Commission's view, that said reply which was reiterated by the PIO vide Letter No. 41 Dated 16.5.2022, adequately addresses the RTI application. There is no further cause for action and this Appeal Case is herewith **Disposed of**.

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

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