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Harbans Lal,
S/o Rattan Chand,
VPO Patiari,
Distt. Hoshiarpur.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Divisional Forest Officer,
Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Conservator of Forests,
North Circle,
Hoshiarpur.

Appeal Case No. 2440 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harbans Lal (Appellant)

Parminder Singh, Block Officer (for the Respondent) 94175-17193

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **1.2.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the GPM, Campa, Ghar-Ghar Haryali and FT-33 Schemes**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **10.3.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **18.5.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **22.9.2022**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Parminder Singh, Block Officer, states that a reply was first sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 683 Dated 24.6.2022 with 266 pages of information by way of copies of the muster-roll. The pending information i.e. copy of cash book have been provided today vide Letter No. 325 Dated 13.9.2022, total 260 pages. The appellant is granted an opportunity to examine the furnished information and list any deficiencies in writing to the PIO with a copy to the Commission.

3. **Next hearing on 17.11.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Hoshiarpur.**

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

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Amarjit Singh Dhamotia,
1331-5, Street No. 5,
Vishawkarma Bhawan, Down Canal Road,
Simlapuri, Ludhiana-141003.

Versus

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

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Chairman, Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 962 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Amarjit Singh Dhamotia (Appellant) 98887-10031
Ravinder Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 70095-68538

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **30.6.2022**)*

1. The RTI application dated **11.11.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the installation of interlocking tiles**, as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeals were filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **20.12.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.2.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **30.6.2022**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Ravinder Kumar, Clerk, has submitted a reply vide Letter No. 3693 Dated 22.8.2022, wherein he states that the inspection ordered by the Commission on 1.7.2022 could not be conducted as the appellant refused to make any specific request with regard to the matter regarding which, he requires information. He also states that the appellant was aggressive and behaved badly during said inspection. The appellant however, states that while the respondent invited him for inspection of the record, no record was shown to him on the pretext that the requested record is part of the vigilance enquiry.

3. Notably, in an earlier reply to the appellant vide Letter No. 2524 Dated 17.6.2022, the respondent PIO claimed that the said information sought by the appellant was voluminous and had so invited him for inspection of the record.

4. The respondent PIO is hereby directed as follows:-

- 1] To provide a realistic estimate of the volume of record sought in the RTI application.
- 2] Details of the ongoing vigilance enquiry/investigation into the subject matter of the RTI application i.e. installation of interlocking tiles. This must be done within 10 days of receipt of this Order.

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Appeal Case No. 962 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. Next hearing on 23.11.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Harjot Singh Harikay (Advocate),
Chamber No.1011, District Court Complex,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Urban Development,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 93 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harjot Singh Harikay (Appellant) 98150-00231
Ravinder Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 70095-68538

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 9.4.2021, 12.8.2021, 17.9.2021, 17.12.2021, 25.3.2022, and 27.7.2022)

1. The RTI application is dated **13.8.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding his family land that was taken up by the 256 Acre Scheme – Maharishi Balmiki Nagar vide an Award dated 27.4.1981**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.9.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. This case was last heard on **27.7.2022**.

2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 27.7.2022, the respondent PIO was directed to arrange an inspection of the record by the appellant. Said inspection could not be conducted since the concerned clerk Sh. Vishal Sharma, could not be present as he was summoned to the Vigilance Police Station in connection with an ongoing investigation.

3. The respondent PIO is hereby directed to arrange for a fresh inspection of the concerned record pertaining to point no. 1 of the RTI application on 27.9.2022. Both parties are to intimate the Commission following the inspection.

4. **Next hearing on 18.11.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

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

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Harjot Singh Harikay, (advocate)
Chamber No. 1011,
District Court Complex, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner,
Urban Development,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 96 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harjot Singh Harikay (Appellant) 98150-00231
Ravinder Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 70095-68538

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 9.4.2021, 16.7.2021, 8.10.2021, 17.12.2021, 25.3.2022, and 27.7.2022)

1. The RTI application is dated **13.8.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Orient Cinema in Ludhiana by way of the complete file etc.**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.9.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **27.7.2022**.

2. Both parties are present. At the last hearing on 27.7.2022, the appellant was once again advised to list deficiencies in writing to the respondent PIO as well as this Commission. The appellant has not listed anything in writing. The appellant, Sh. Harjot Singh Harikay is given one final opportunity to list the deficiencies he claims, in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to this Commission. This must be done within 10 days, under intimation to the Commission.

3. The respondent PIO represented by Ravinder Kumar, Clerk is thereafter search the record for the relevant information and supply duly certified copy to the appellant with a copy to this Commission before the next hearing.

4. **Next hearing on 18.11.2022 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

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

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Gurmej Lal,
1331-5, Street No. 5,
Vishawkarma Bhawan, Down Canal Road,
Simlapuri, Ludhiana – 141 003.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Executive Officer,
Nagar Council, Mullanpur Dakha,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Additional Deputy Commissioner (UD),
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 1111 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (Appellant) 97816-72776
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 30.6.2022)

1. The RTI application dated **29.10.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding private hospitals, hostels, marriage palaces, restaurants in the jurisdiction of MC, Mullanpur Dakha,** as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeals were filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **20.12.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **4.3.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **30.6.2022**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. The Commission deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO-cum-EO, Mullanpur Dakha, with this Show Cause Notice.

3. The respondent **PIO-cum-EO, Mullanpur Dakha, Ludhiana,** 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 **29.10.2021**.

“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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Appeal Case No. 1111 of 2022 (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 23.11.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner (UD), Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Simlapuri, Ludhiana-141003.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Moga.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Moga.

Appeal Case No. 957 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (Appellant) 97816-72776

(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 30.6.2022)

1. The RTI application dated **22.11.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the installation of interlocking tiles**, as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeals were filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.12.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.2.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **30.6.2022**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation for the second successive hearing. This is despite the Show Cause Notice issued to him vide this Commission's Order of 30.6.2022. The respondent PIO is hereby given a final opportunity to submit a written reply to the Show Cause Notice along with a reply to the RTI application with certified copies of the requested information. This must be submitted to the Commission in person at the next hearing.

3. Next hearing on 23.11.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Sarabjeet Singh Gill,
NCAG Office, Street No. 5, # 1331-5,
Vishawkarma Bhawan, Down Canal Road,
Simlapuri, Ludhiana-141003.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 952 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:
(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **30.6.2022**)

1. The RTI application **28.9.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Complaint Diary No. 6192-PS-R dated 23.2.2018**, as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeals were filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.12.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.2.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **30.6.2022**.

2. Both parties are absent without intimation. The appellant Sarabjeet Singh Gill who has filed a number of appeals to this Commission, has, to date, never appeared at any Hearing, which compels the Commission to conclude that the appellant is simply not interested in pursuing said appeals. However, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the respondent PIO-cum-Superintendent Headquarters, MC, Ludhiana, vide Order of 30.6.2022, the respondent PIO-cum-Superintendent Headquarters, MC, Ludhiana, has failed to submit any written reply to the said Show Cause Notice. He is given final opportunity to submit a reply to the Show Cause Notice within 10 days of receipt of this Order.

3. **Next hearing on 23.11.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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

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Vishawkarma Bhawan, Down Canal Road,
Simlapuri, Ludhiana – 141 003.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o XEN, B&R Branch, Zone C,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana
Public Information Officer,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 953 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 30.6.2022)

1. The RTI application **8.11.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding installation of interlocking tiles**, as enumerated in his RTI applications. First Appeals were filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **20.12.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **23.2.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **30.6.2022**.

2. Both parties are absent without intimation. The appellant Sarabjeet Singh Gill who has filed a number of appeals to this Commission, has, to date, never appeared at any Hearing, which compels the Commission to conclude that the appellant is simply not interested in pursuing said appeals. However, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the respondent PIO-cum-Superintendent Headquarters, MC, Ludhiana, vide Order of 30.6.2022, the respondent PIO-cum-Superintendent Headquarters, MC, Ludhiana, has failed to submit any written reply to the said Show Cause Notice. He is given final opportunity to submit a reply to the Show Cause Notice within 10 days of receipt of this Order.

3. **Next hearing on 23.11.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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

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Prabhjot Singh Gill,
S/o Sh. Jagjit Singh,
329, VPO Doda Baja Patti,
Vill. Doda, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Tarn Taran.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Deputy Commissioner,
Tarn Taran.

Appeal Case No. 1950 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **2.9.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.9.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.12.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **22.9.2022**.
2. Both parties are absent. The appellant Prabhjot Singh Gill, has sought similar information from various districts by way of online RTI applications.
3. For reasons not specified here, I hereby recuse myself from hearing this Appeal Case. Said Appeal Case is hereby returned to the Registry Branch for being put up before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner, for reassignment to an alternate Bench as he deems fit.

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

Chandigarh
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Cc: Deputy Registrar, PSIC, along with case file.