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Balwinder Singh Ladi,

S/o Sh. Sukhchain Singh, # 418, Street No.5, Nanaksar, Tehdi Road, Simlapuri, District Ludhiana-141003

Versus

Public Information officer,

o/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
District Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority-cumo/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2348 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmej Lal (for the Appellant)
Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector from Zone-A (for the Respondent) 99885-00257
Rohit Thakur, Building Inspector from Zone-B (for the Respondent) 70095-15793
Kashish Garg, APIO-cum-Building Inspector from Zone C (for the Respondent) 96533-57060
Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector from Zone-D (for the Respondent) 98762-99511

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **16.2.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding illegal colonies</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **23.3.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.5.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **24.11.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO is represented by Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector from Zone-A, Rohit Thakur, Building Inspector from Zone-B, Kashish Garg, APIO-cum-Building Inspector from Zone-C, and Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector from Zone-D. The PIOs, in charge of all 4 zones have sent a reply to the appellant vide Letter No. 22/ATP-D/RTI-D Dated 20.4.2021. In a subsequent reply vide Letter No. 802/DRG-C/D/PIO Dated 10.8.2021, the PIO in charge of Zone-C has sent another reply to the appellant and has also been provided the appellant list of illegal colonies of other zones i.e. A, B, and D, stated that no such list of illegal colonies is exists in the office. The appellant contests this and states that the PIOs for Zones A, B, and D have in fact provided such lists in response to another case and are making a false statement before this Commission. The appellant also offered to submit said lists to the Commission.
- 3. The Commission will take a final decision in this Appeal Case after perusing the list submitted by the appellant.

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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 1.7.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

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Harbhagat Singh Grewal, S/o Sh. Jasbir Singh Grewal, # 151, Block J, Sarabha District Ludhiana-141001

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority-cumo/o Additional Deputy Commissioner, Urban Development, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2055 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harbhagat Singh Grewal (Appellant) Ankit Narang, Assistant Trust Engineer (for the Respondent) 97794-06001

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 11.1.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information regarding action taken on Letter No. 1165CEA/3 dated 2.3.20220, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 2.3.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.4.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on 24.11.2021.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Ankit Narang, Assistant Trust Engineer, states that the PIO was not in possession of a copy of original complaint made by the appellant to the Deputy Commissioner. The appellant stated that original complaint was made to Chief Minister Punjab, which was forwarded to Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana, who in turn put it up for action to the Chairman Improvement Trust, Ludhiana.
- 3. The respondent PIO has offered to arrange an inspection for the appellant. Said inspection is to be arranged at 11.00 am on 29.11.2021 and Mr. Ankit Narang, Assistant Trust Engineer, is to be present personally to assist the appellant and provide him copies of all the relevant information as sought in this RTI application.
- 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 PIO
Name of the Public Authority

Date

5. <u>Next hearing on 10.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.</u>

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Chandigarh
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REGISTERED **SHOW CAUSE NOTICE**

Parveen Kaushal, S/o Sh. Prem Nath. Ward No. 15, Kapoor Street, Doraha-141421

Versus

Public Information officer. o/o Executive Officer. Municipal Council, Doraha. First Appellate Authority-cumo/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Doraha.

Appeal Case No. 2099 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Tarandeep Singh Advocate (for the Appellant) (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **8.2.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding the construction of a concrete road from Sardar Cloth House upto Gurdwara Kalgidhar Sahib, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 12.3.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 30.4.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **24.11.2021**.
- 2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. This RTI application was filed on 8.2.2021, to which there has not been a single reply from the respondent PIO, whereby it is concluded that the appellant's RTI application has been denied. In view of the above, the Commission deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO with this Show Cause Notice.
- 3. The respondent PIO 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 8.2.2021.
- "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. 2099 of 2021 (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. <u>Next hearing on 10.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.</u>

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 24.11.2021

Cc: Additional Deputy Commissioner, Urban Development, District Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Vivek Bakshi,

S/o Sh. Kewal Krishan Bakshi, # 102, Sugandh Vihar, Phullanwal, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-D, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2128 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Vivek Bakshi (Appellant) 98723-03604 Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector from Zone-D (for the Respondent) 98762-99511

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **4.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding Jatinder Kumar, a Sewadar working in Zone D, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **28.10.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **30.4.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **24.11.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector form Zone-D, has submitted a copy of reply sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 331/MTP/RTI/D Dated 16.12.2020, wherein he has sought exemption from disclosure of the requested information under Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act 2005.
- 3. The Commission notes that there are 16 points in the RTI application and all the information sought may not be exempt under Section 8(1)(j). The respondent PIO is herewith directed to submit a written, pointwise reply to the RTI application along with the requested information. On points where the respondent PIO seeks exemption from disclosure, he must cite the specific provisions/section of the RTI Act 2005 for claiming such exemption.
- 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

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Appeal Case No. 2128 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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Sat Pall Sharma,

S/o Sh. Gian Chand Sharma, # 3623, Street No. 1, Durga Puri Haibowal Kalan, District Ludhiana-14001

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-D, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority-cumo/o Municipal Corporation, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 1903 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector from Zone-D (for the Respondent) 98762-99511

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **23.7.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding installation of petrol pump</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **26.8.2020** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **15.4.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **24.11.2021**.
- 2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector form Zone-D, states that a reply along with 7 pages by way of information was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 112 Dated 28.9.2020 stating that no NOC has granted to the petrol pump cited in the RTI application. The related documents sought by the appellant were also provided to him.
- 3. The respondent PIO is directed to submit copy of all documents/information sent to the appellant, to this Commission forthwith. The appellant is advised to list any deficiencies in the information provided by the respondent in writing to both the PIO as well as this Commission.
- 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

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Appeal Case No. 1903 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. Next hearing on 10.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

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Narinderpal,

C/o Bhagti Nandan, # 10130, Street No. 9, New Subhash Nagar, Rahon Road, Basti Jodhewal, District Ludhiana-141007

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o Municipal Corporation, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority-cumo/o Municipal Corporation, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2181 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Narinderpal (Appellant) 99885-00162 Ravinder Singh Walia, Draftsman from Zone-B (for the Respondent) 98551-99191

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **4.1.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding unauthorized construction by religious institutions</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **8.2.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **7.5.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **24.11.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Ravinder Singh Walia, Draftsman from Zone-B, stated that the RTI application with clarification regarding the religious building was received in Zone-B only on 18.10.2021. As per the respondent PIO, the information sought by the appellant pertains to Zone-B and Zone-C.
- 3. The PIO Zone-B is herewith directed to supply the information requested alongwith a covering letter to the appellant within 20 days of receiving this Order. He is also directed to transfer part of the RTI application to PIO Zone-C who is in turm directed to supply the relevant information along with a covering letter.
- 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

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Appeal Case No. 2181 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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Daman Kapoor,

2226/10, Street No. 2, Chander Nagar, Civil City, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information officer, o/o B&R Department, Municipal Corporation, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority-cumo/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 2429 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Daman Kapoor (Appellant) 95014-22929 Ashwani Kumar, SDO (for the Respondent) 97800-39411

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **7.12.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding work orders, agreements, and sample test reports of all roads constructed in Ward Number 4 since 2017, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **11.1.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **20.5.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **24.11.2021**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO represented by Ashwani Kumar, SDO, has submitted a Letter (No. 163 Dated 22.11.2021), wherein he states that the appellant has already been provided 86 pages pertaining to the record of 4 files during his visit to the office of SDO (B&R) for inspection on 5.3.2021. The appellant states that the information is incomplete and that the information requested by him in the RTI application pertains to work carried out in 16 areas under the jurisdiction of Zone-A. The respondent PIO contends that the information pertaining to 16 areas would be far too voluminous and requests that the appellant be asked to list specific areas.
- 3. In view of the above, the appellant is herewith advised to list 4 specific areas in a letter to the respondent PIO. A copy of said letter is also to be submitted to this Commission. The PIO must in turn supply the information pertaining to 4 areas listed by the appellant within a period of 30 days. The respondent PIO Is also to submit copies of the 86 pages already given to the appellant by way of information, to this Commission. This must be done forthwith.

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4. Next hearing on 10.3.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.

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