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Shri Rajesh Gupta,
President, Social Reformers,
216, Bharat Nagar,
Ludhiana-141001

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority
O/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2687 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant -absent**
(ii) **Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman Zone-D, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing/On Mobile Phone)

1. The RTI application is dated 22.06.2020 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 22.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana. Shri Rajesh Gupta has not come present to attend the hearing today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana as a message was given to him regarding cancellation of V.C. due to V.C. facility being committed for another Punjab Govt. Department conference, which ended well before commencement of V.C. of this Bench.
3. Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman, Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant had been supplied information vide letter dated 28.09.2019 and intimation has also been given to the Commission vide letter dated 18.11.2020 to this effect.

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4. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone and is apprised of the version of the representative of PIO. He states that the information supplied is irrelevant as the same is not as per his RTI application.

5. Shri Harjit Singh, the representative of the PIO is asked to clarify with regard to the contention of appellant. He states that the appellant seeks a copy of action taken on a memo dated 24.09.2013 and that the said memo was marked to a Building Inspector who has been transferred to some other branch. As such, no information relating to that memo is available in Building/Drawing Branch of Zone-D. He further states that the information regarding challans asked for as per point (I) is available on the portal Challan Management System of Municipal Corporation which can be accessed.

6. The Bench does not agree with the clarification given by representative of PIO and directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office and allow the appellant access to the official records. The appellant will identify the information on inspection of the official records. The PIO will provide the same to the appellant and will also provide him the requisite Link to access the website.

7. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit before next hearing duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.2687 of 2020 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is correct and authentic. Original copy of the affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

8. With the aforesaid direction, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
25.11.2020**

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Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

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

....Respondents

AC No.2688 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant -absent**
(ii) **Shri Harpal Singh, Clerk, Ludhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing/On Mobile Phone)

1. The RTI application is dated 22.06.2020 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 22.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana. Shri Rajesh Gupta has not come present to attend the hearing today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana as a message was given to him regarding cancellation of V.C. due to V.C. facility being committed for another Punjab Govt. Department conference, which ended well before commencement of V.C. of this Bench. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He states that no information has been supplied by the PIO yet.

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3. Shri Hapal Singh, Clerk O/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant seeks the action taken report on a memo dated 24.09.2013 which has not been supplied yet but the same will be supplied shortly.

4. The Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office and allow the appellant access to the official records. The appellant will identify the information on inspection of the official records. The PIO will provide the same to the appellant.

5. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit before next hearing duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.2688 of 2020 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is correct and authentic. Original copy of the affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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Shri Balwinder Singh Ladi,
Whistle Blower,
H.No.418, Street No.5,
Nanaksar, Tehdi Road,
Shimlapuri, Ludhiana-141003

.....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

AC No.2693 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia on behalf of Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 22.06.2020 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 22.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.

3. Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman, Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 06.07.2020 and again on 28.09.2020 and an intimation has been given to the Commission vide letter dated 18.11.2020. He further states that after the first appeal was filed by the appellant, this information was again supplied to the appellant.

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4. Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, comes present for the hearing on behalf of appellant. He states that since a message was received from the Bench regarding cancellation of V.C., the relevant case file has not been brought along by him and as such, he is unable to comment or clarify the version of the respondent.

5. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
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Ludhiana.

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

....Respondents

AC No.2694 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia on behalf of Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Surinder Singh, Executive Engineer, B&R, Zone-A,
Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana/ PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 22.06.2020 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 22.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.

3. Shri Surinder Singh, Draftsman, Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 22.09.2020 and again on 22.10.2020 and an intimation has been given to the Commission vide e.mail dated 18.11.2020. He further states that complete information as available in the official records has been supplied to the appellant.

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AC No.2694/2020

4. Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, comes present for the hearing on behalf of appellant. He states that since a message was received from the Bench regarding cancellation of V.C., the relevant case file has not been brought along by him and as such, he is unable to comment or clarify the version of the respondent.

5. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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Shri Gurmej Lal,
Whistle Blower,
H.No.6375, Street No.16,
Guru Gobind Singh Nagar,
Backside Bachan Gas Agency,
PO Daba, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

AC No.2695 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Gurmej Lal, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 29.06.2020 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 29.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.

3. Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman, Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 28.09.2020 and again on 01.10.2020 by speed post. He further states that the information is available on the website of the Municipal Corporation and that requisite Link has also been provided to the appellant.

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AC No.2695/2020

4. Shri Gurmej Lal, appellant comes present for the hearing on behalf of appellant. He states that since a message was received from the Bench regarding cancellation of V.C., the relevant case file has not been brought along by him and as such, he is unable to comment or clarify the version of the respondent.

5. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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Guru Gobind Singh Nagar,
Backside Bachan Gas Agency,
PO Daba, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

AC No.2696 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Gurmej Lal, Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Satish Kumar, ATP/PIO, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 29.06.2020 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 29.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Shri Satish Kumar, AT-cum-PIO, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that the reply has been given to the appellant vide letter dated 22.09.2020 and again on 23.10.2020 by speed post but no response has been received from the appellant yet.

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AC No.2696/2020

4. Shri Gurmej Lal, appellant comes present for the hearing on behalf of appellant. He states that since a message was received from the Bench regarding cancellation of V.C., the relevant case file has not been brought along by him and as such, he is unable to comment or clarify the version of the respondent.

5. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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Shri Sarabjeet Singh Gill,
H.No.60-37-P-376-1, Street No.8,
Maha Singh Nagar,
PO Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

AC No.2691 of 2020

Present: (i) **Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the Appellant**
(ii) **Shri Satish Kumar, ATP/PIO, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 29.06.2020 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 29.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.

3. Shri Satish Kumar, ATP-cum-PIO, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. He states that the reply has been given to the appellant vide letter dated 23.09.2020 sent by registered post on 26.09.2020 and again on 20.10.2020, with an intimation to the Commission.

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AC No.2691/2020

4. Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia comes present for the hearing on behalf of appellant. He states that since a message was received from the Bench regarding cancellation of V.C., the relevant case file has not been brought along by him and as such, he is unable to comment or clarify the version of the respondent.

5. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

.....Respondents

AC No.2692 of 2020

Present:

- (i) **Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, on behalf of the Appellant**
- (ii) **Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing)

1. The RTI application is dated 22.06.2020 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 22.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Shri Harjit Singh, Draftsman, Zone-D, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the reply has been given to the appellant vide letter dated 18.08.2020 by speed post on 20.08.2020 stating that the entire record relating to building about which information has been sought, has been sent to the committee constituted by C.V.O. Cell at Chandigarh which has not been received back and information can be supplied only on receiving back the record. He further states that an intimation has also been given to the Commission vide letter dated 18.11.2020 to this effect.

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AC No.2692/2020

4. Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia comes present for the hearing on behalf of appellant. He states that since a message was received from the Bench regarding cancellation of V.C., the relevant case file has not been brought along by him and as such, he is unable to comment or clarify the version of the respondent.

5. The PIO is directed to file an affidavit before next hearing duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public stating therein the position as explained in letter dated 18.08.2020/18.11.2020. It be further stated that the statement made is correct and authentic. The original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy be sent to the Commission for record.

6. With the afore said directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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25.11.2020**

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Whistle Blower/Social Worker,
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PO Dhandari Kalan, Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Chairman,
Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chairman,
Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.2700 of 2020

Present:

- (i) **Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, appellant.**
- (ii) **Shri Harpal Singh, Clerk, Ludhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana on behalf of the PIO.**

ORDER

(Heard through Video Conferencing/On Mobile Phone)

1. The RTI application is dated 25.09.2019 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 03.11.2019 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana.
3. Shri Harpal Singh, Clerk O/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust, Ludhiana comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. on behalf of the PIO. He states that the appellant seeks the action taken report on a news item published in the newspapers regarding illegal gates installed in LIT colonies and further states that the same has been supplied to the appellant.

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AC No.2700/2020

4. Shri Amarjit Singh Dhamotia, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana. He states that since a message was received from the Bench regarding cancellation of V.C., the relevant case file has not been brought along by him and as such, he is unable to comment or clarify the version of the respondent.

5. In view of the above, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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R/o Village Bolapur Jhabewal,
Post Office Ramgarh,
District Ludhiana

.....Appellant

Versus

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

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

....Respondents

AC No.2750 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent**
(ii) **Shri Piara Singh, Assistant Transport Officer/PIO, O/o S.T.C. Punjab, Chandigarh in person before the Bench.**

ORDER

(Contacted on Mobile Phone)

1. The RTI application is dated 29.06.2020 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 30.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana. Shri Jasbir Singh has not come present to attend the hearing today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana as a message was given to him regarding cancellation of V.C. due to V.C. facility being committed for another Punjab Govt. Department conference, which ended well before commencement of V.C. of this Bench.
3. Shri Piara Singh, Assistant Transport Officer, O/o S.T.C. Punjab comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. in person before the Bench. He states that the appellant has been supplied information vide letter dated 11.08.2020 and again vide letter dated 20.11.2020.

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AC No.2750/2020

4. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is made to talk to the PIO. The PIO clarifies him the information supplied to him as stated before the Bench.

5. Post deliberations with the appellant and the PIO, the appellant requests that the copy of letter written to the Service Provider for providing the services of Data Entry Operators as also the copies of their educational qualification certificates be provided. The Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office on 01.12.2020 at 11.30 AM. The relevant official records be shown to him. The appellant will identify the information required by him and the PIO will ensure to provide the same to the appellant before next hearing.

6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.2750 of 2020 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is correct and authentic. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

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

....Respondents

AC No.2751 of 2020

Present: (i) **Appellant- absent**
(ii) **Shri Piara Singh, Assistant Transport Officer/PIO, O/o S.T.C. Punjab, Chandigarh in person before the Bench.**

ORDER

(Contacted on Mobile Phone)

1. The RTI application is dated 29.06.2020 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 30.07.2020 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 21.09.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.11.2020 by the Commission through Video Conferencing facility in the office of D.C. Ludhiana. Shri Jasbir Singh has not come present to attend the hearing today through V.C. at DC Office, Ludhiana as a message was given to him regarding cancellation of V.C. due to V.C. facility being committed for another Punjab Govt. Department conference, which ended well before commencement of V.C. of this Bench.

3. Shri Piara Singh, Assistant Transport Officer, O/o S.T.C. Punjab comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. in person before the Bench. He states that the appellant has been supplied information i.e. an agreement executed with the service provider, vide letter dated 15.09.2020 by registered post.

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4. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is made to talk to the PIO. The PIO clarifies him the information supplied to him as stated before the Bench.

5. Post deliberations with the appellant and the PIO, the appellant expresses his dis-satisfaction and states that partial information has been supplied to him. The Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office on 01.12.2020 at 11.30 AM. The relevant official records be shown to him. The appellant will identify the information required by him and the PIO will ensure to provide the same to the appellant before next hearing.

6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.2751 of 2020 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is correct and authentic. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
25.11.2020**

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

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District Ludhiana

Versus

.....Appellant

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O/o State Transport Commissioner,
Punjab, Sector-17,
Chandigarh.

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

....Respondents

AC No.2752 of 2020

Present: (i) Appellant- absent
(ii) Shri Piara Singh, Assistant Transport Officer/PIO, O/o S.T.C.
Punjab, Chandigarh in person before the Bench.

ORDER

(Contacted on Mobile Phone)

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3. Shri Piara Singh, Assistant Transport Officer, O/o S.T.C. Punjab comes present to attend the hearing through V.C. in person before the Bench. He states that the appellant was informed vide letter dated 17.07.2020 that in order to supply him the information, Rs.600/- in lieu of the supply of information comprising 300 pages be deposited with their office, but no response has been received from the appellant.

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4. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is made to talk to the PIO. The PIO informs him what has been stated before the Bench. He appellant denies to have received any letter for the deposition of fee.

5. Post deliberations with the appellant and the PIO, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office on 01.12.2020 at 11.30 AM and allow him access to the official records. The appellant will identify the information as per his RTI application, apart from the information already identified by the PIO. The is advised to deposit the requisite fee as asked for by the PIO and the PIO will ensure to provide the information to the appellant.

6. The PIO is also directed to file an affidavit duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information as available in the official records in AC No.2752 of 2020 has been supplied to the appellant. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is correct and authentic. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and photocopy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 16.02.2021 at 11.30 AM through V.C. in DC Office, Ludhiana.** Copies of order be given to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
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