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## FINAL ORDER

### Paramjit Kaur,

W/o Sh. Jaspal Singh, # 2214, Sector-15 C, Chandigarh.

Versus

## Public Information Officer,

o/o Greater Mohali Area Development Authority (GMADA), PUDA Bhawan, Sector-62, S.A.S. Nagar, Mohali.

### Complaint Case No. 109 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Complainant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER: (To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **11.6.2020 and 19.8.2020**)

1. The complainant, **Paramjit Kaur**, filed this RTI application dated**10.9.2019** and sought information <u>regarding a property situated in village Sanghriwal District Mohali</u>, from the PIO o/o **GMADA**, **Mohali**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **24.1.2020**. The case was last heard on **19.8.2020**.

2. Both parties are absent. At the last hearing on 19.8.2020, the respondent PIO has handed over the requested information to the complainant who was granted an opportunity to examine it and report any deficiency. However, the appellant is absent from today's hearing, which compels this Commission to conclude that she is satisfied with the information supplied to her at the last hearing.

3. There is no further cause for action and this complaint case is herewith **CLOSED.** 

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY) State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh 26.11.2020

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### FINAL ORDER

Jarnail Kranti, S/o Sh. Badan Singh, # 57, Phase-4, Mohali – 160 059

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Estate Officer, Greater Mohali Area Development Authority, Mohali. First Appellate Authority, o/o Executive Officer, Greater Mohali Area Development Authority, Mohali.

#### Appeal Case No. 927 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: Jarnail Kranti (Appellant) 94176-89357 Gurvinder Singh, PIO-Cum-AEO (Respondent) 98786-02071

#### ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 11.6.2020 and 19.8.2020)

1. The RTI application is dated **1.11.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding</u> <u>number of registered PG's/unregistered PG's in phase 4, Mohali,</u> as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **5.12.2019** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **27.2.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **19.8.2020**.

2. Both parties are present through Video Conference facility at the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Mohali. The respondent PIO-cum-AEO, Gurvinder Singh, stated that the information regarding houses specifically cited in the appellant's letter of 25.8.2020 was sent to him on 30.9.2020. The appellant present at this hearing has confirmed that he has received the requested information. He has however, pointed out to long delay for furnishing this information and has sought a penalty to be imposed on the respondent PIO.

3. This Commission is however, not inclined to do so, in light of the extraordinary circumstances arising from ongoing Covid-19 Pandemic, which has affected the working in both, the government and private sectors. The Commission nonetheless cautions the respondent PIO against similar delays in addressing future RTI applications, which must necessarily be replied to within the stipulated period of 30 days as per RTI Act 2005.

4. There is no further cause for action and this appeal case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY) State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh 26.11.2020