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Sh. Jagbir Singh S/o Sh. Harjinder Singh,  
VPO - Fatehpur Rajputan,  
Distt Amritsar-143113. M : 9463724047

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Tehsildar, Amritsar-I,  
Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority  
-cum-Sub Divisional Magistrate, Amritsar- 1,  
Amrtisar.

....Respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 1146/2021  
(Video conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Jagbir Singh, appellant.  
Sh. Jagsir Mittal, Tehsildar, 98727 55862 on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.6.2021.

2. The respondent-Public Information Officer states that the complete information as available on record has already been supplied. Whereas the appellant states that incomplete information is being supplied by the respondent-Public Information Officer.

3. After hearing both the parties, the directions are issued to them to remain present at Chandigarh along with the original record/information supplied to take the matter to its logical end.

4. To come up on 3.8.2021 at 11.30 AM at Chandigarh.

Dated: 30.6.2021

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(Suresh Arora)  
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Sh. Ajay Nand/Ajay Kumar Mehta  
# C 118, East Mohan Nagar,  
Chamrang Road,  
Amritsar 9814646309

....Appellant

vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Punjab State Information Commission,  
Sector 16, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Punjab State Information Commission,  
Sector 16, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 823 of 2021  
(Cisco Webex/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Ajay Kumar Mehta, appellant.  
Sh. Sudhir Kumar, S.O. on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 19.5.2021.

2. The appellant requested for the adjournment of the case as he was unable to inspect the record as per the orders of the Commission dated 19.5.2021 and 21.6.2021.
3. According to the request of the appellant, the case is adjourned with the directions to him that this is the last opportunity to inspect the record before the next date of hearing failing which ex-parte decision will be taken on the next date of hearing.
4. To come up on 16.7.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar/cisco webex.

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Dated: 30.6.2021

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Sh. Baldev Singh S/o Sh. Parkash Singh,  
R/o Village Malikpur,  
Tehsil & Distt SBS Nagar.M : 6284578545

....Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer, (By Name) **Registered**  
O/o District Development and Panchayats Officer,  
SBS Nagar.

Sh. Gurtej Singh Garcha, 9814672476,  
Public Information Officer **Registered**  
o/o the District Mining Officer,  
Room No. 25, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor,  
SDM Office,(Old DC Office Building)  
SBS Nagar.

Sh. Hardeep Singh, Executive Engineer-cum-  
Public Information Officer **Registered**  
o/o the Director, Mining,  
Old Hydrel Building,  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Sector 18,  
Madhya Marg, Chandigarh. 9888545999

....Respondents

Complaint Case No.668 of 2020  
(Cisco Webex/Telephone proceedings)

Present:- Advocate Deepak Verma 9814671446 8699903235, through cisco webex on behalf of the appellent.  
Sh. Rajesh Chadha, Block Development and Panchayats Officer 9781169111, through cisco webex and Sh. Gurtej Singh Gharcha, Distt. Mining Officer, on telephone on behalf of the respondents. 9814672476.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 27.5.2021.

2. Sh. Deepak Verma, Advocate on behalf of the complainant requests that the respondent-Public Information Officer o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer, SBS Nagar may also be directed to file an affidavit that no record is available with the office regarding the information sought by the complainant as the RTI application was addressed to him. He has also sent a rejoinder along with the documents.

3. Accordingly, a copy of the rejoinder filed on behalf the complainant is being sent to the respondent-Public Information Officer o/o the District Development and Panchayats Officer SBS Nagar to file the reply/supply the information, if any, before the next date of hearing. He is also directed to file an affidavit in case no information is available on record

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concerning the information sought by the complainant in the office of the District Development and Panchayats Officer, SBS Nagar before the next date of hearing.

4. To come up on 28.7.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, SBS Nagar/cisco webex.

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Dated: 30.6.2021

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Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Sh. Dilbag Chand 9814414473  
Village Hayatpur PO Hambo Wal  
Tehsil Samrala.  
District Ludhiana

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3826 of 2020  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Dilbag Chand, appellant  
None on behalf of the respondents. 9501385203

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.6.2021.

2. The appellant states that nothing has been received from the respondent-Public Information Officer regarding Nishandehi. Due to strike by the officials of the respondent authority, none is present on behalf of them. However, the submissions have been received from the respondent-Public Information Officer, which are taken on record, that a copy of the Nishandehi is not available with the report sent by the Zila Parishad, District Ludhiana vide No. 731 dated 10.2.2021.

3. Accordingly a copy of the letter sent by the respondent-Public Information Officer is being **sent** along with this order to the appellant to file the rejoinder, if any, before the next date of hearing to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission.

3. To come up on 28.7.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana /cisco webex.

Dated: 30.6.2021

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Sh. Gagandeep Singh Thareeke 9780471680  
SCO 26, Shant Park, Main Sua Road,  
Thareeke, District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer  
District Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Director,  
Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt., Pb.  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62, Mohali

Public Information Officer  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer  
Block Ludhiana-1,  
District Ludhiana

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3349 of 2020

(Cisco Webex/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.  
None on behalf of the respondents. 62390 79871

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.6.2021.

2. None is present on behalf of the respondents due to strike by the officials of the respondent authority. Accordingly, the appellant has been informed not to appear in this case. However, the appellant has sent the deficiencies in the information so supplied by the respondent-Public Information Officer. Therefore, a copy of the same is being **sent** along with the order to remove the same. Also a copy has been sent to the respondent authority through whatsapp.

3. To come up on 29.7.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

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Dated: 30.6.2021

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Sh. Satnam Singh dhawan 9501513137  
# 7 G.K. Vihar,  
Manakwal,  
District Ludhiana

..Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Department of Governance Reforms  
& Public Grievances Punjab,  
Mohali.

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 373 of 2021  
(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the complainant.  
Sh. Neeraj & Sh. Parveen Garg 9815003210 on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.6.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that the complainant has already been advised to deposit Rs.140/- in case he wants to seek the information but the complainant has not deposited the same till date. The complainant is absent without intimation. He was also absent during the last hearing i.e. 21.6.2021. One last opportunity is granted to the complainant to make the submissions, if any, before the next date of hearing failing which ex-parte decision will be taken on merit
3. To come up on 28.7.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana /cisco webex.

Dated: 30.6.2021

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Sh. Sukhchain Singh s/o Baldev Singh  
r/o Basti Hajara Singh Wali,  
Tehsil & Distt. Ferozepur.

..Complainant

Vs

Sh. Gurmeet Singh Kahlon,  
Public Information Officer **Registered**  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Block Ferozepur, Ferozepur

Public Information Officer **Registered**  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Block Mamdot,  
Ferozepur.

Sh. Ruldu Singh, Panchayat Secretary **Registered**  
c/o Director,  
Rural Development & Panchayat, Pb.,  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62,  
Mohali

Sh. Sandeep Kumar, Panchayat Secretary **Registered**  
-cum-Public Information Officer  
Basti Hazara Singh Wali,  
c/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer  
Block Mamdot, Ferozepur.

Public Information Officer  
o/o The Director,  
Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt., Pb.  
Vikas Bhawan, Sector 62, Mohali

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 811 of 2020

(Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the complainant.

Sh. Sandeep Kumar, Panchayat Secretary 9463830644, 9646729136 on behalf  
of the respondent.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 10.5.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents states that Sh. Ruldu Singh, Panchayat Secretary and Sh. Bagicha Singh, Sarpanch is not handing over the record to enable him to supply the sought information. He also states that sh. Gurmeet Singh Kahlon is presently posted as Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Ferozepur and Smt. Baljit Kaur is likely to join as Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Mamdot.

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3. A show cause notice was issued to Sh. Gurmeet Singh Kahlon, Block Development and Panchayats Officer presently posted at Ferozpur but no reply has been received from him. One last opportunity is granted to him to file his reply failing which ex-parte decision will be taken on merit.

4. Also the respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer Smt. Baljit Kaur is directed to file the reply/supply the information in this case before the next date of hearing.

5. Also a copy of the order dated 15.6.2021 was sent to the Director, Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt.,Pb. but neither anybody is present on his behalf nor any action taken in this case has been received. Therefore, the Public Information Officer o/o the Director, Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt.,Pb. is also impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the response regarding action taken to recover the official record from Sh. Ruldu Singh, Panchayat Secretary and Sh. Bagicha Singh, Sarpanch. It is also a fact on record that both Sh. Ruldu Singh, Panchayat Secretary and Sh. Bagicha Singh, Sarpanch were present during the hearing on 15.6.2021 and assured that the record will be handed over to the present incumbent Sh. Sandeep Kumar which clearly reflects that they are not handing over the panchayat record deliberately.

5. To come up on 3.8.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ferozpur/cisco webex.

Dated: 30.6.2021

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(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Sh. M.S. Chhatwal, IAS  
Director, Registered  
Rural Development & Panchayat Deptt.,Pb.

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Sh. Harjot Singh Harikay Advocate,  
Chamber No 1011,  
District Courts Complex,  
Ludhiana. M : 9815000231

..Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer,  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana  
First Appellate Authority  
O/o Deputy Commissioner,  
Ludhiana.

....Respondent(s)

Appeal Case No. 95/2021

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

None on behalf of the respondents. 9915233869 9501385203

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 3.6.2021.

2. Due to strike by the officials of the respondent authority, the case is adjourned and the appellant has been informed not to appear in this case.
3. The respondent-Public Information Officer has sent the written submissions to the Commission, which are taken on record. A copy of the same is also being **sent** along with this order to the appellant to file the rejoinder, if any, before the next date of hearing to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission.
4. To come up on 3.8.2021 at 3.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

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Dated: 30.6.2021

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Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla  
H.No. 195 / 2  
Sector 45, A  
Chandigarh 9878449195

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Establishment 1 Branch,  
Deptt of Gen. Administration,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Establishment 1 Branch,  
Deptt of Gen. Administration,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1010 of 2021

(Video Conference/Telephone/Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla, appellant on telephone.

Sh. Gursharan Singh, Sr. Asstt 7589322541 in person, on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 1.6.2021.

2. The appellant states that he has received the information sent by the respondent-Public Information Officer. He has also sent the deficiencies in the information so supplied by the respondent-Public Information Officer. A copy of the deficiencies pointed out by the appellant handed over to the representative of the respondents during the course of hearing to file the rejoinder, if any.

3. Accordingly, the case is adjourned with the directions to the respondent-Public Information Officer to file the rejoinder, if any, before the next date of hearing to the appellant with a copy to the Commission.

4. To come up on 28.7.2021 at 3.30 PM at Chandigarh.

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Dated: 30.6.2021

(Suresh Arora)

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Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla  
H.No. 195 / 2  
Sector 45, A  
Chandigarh 9878449195

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Establishment 1 Branch,  
Deptt of Gen. Administration,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Establishment 1 Branch,  
Deptt of Gen. Administration,  
Punjab Civil Secretariat-1, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1009 of 2021

(Video Conference/Telephone/Cisco Webex Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Krishan Kumar Singla, appellant on telephone.  
Sh. Gursharan Singh, Sr. Asstt 7589322541 in person on behalf of the respondents.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 1.6.2021.

2. The representative of the respondents placed on record a copy of the submissions addressed to the Commission with a copy to the appellant. As the appellant is not available, in person, therefore, a copy addressed to him has also been placed on record by the representative of the respondents.

3. Accordingly, a copy of the same is being **sent** along with this order to the appellant to file the rejoinder, if any, before the next date of hearing to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission to take the matter to its logical end.

4. To come up on 28.7.2021 at 3.30 PM at Chandigarh.

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(Suresh Arora)

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Punjab.

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Sh. Jasveer Singh 9781599959

r/o Village Megha Panj Garai Hithar,

Block and Tehsil Guru Harshai,

Distt.Ferozepur.

..Appellant

Vs

Sh. Sarabjit Singh Brar 8968695353,

**Registered**

Public Information Officer,

Block Development and Panchayat Officer,

Block Guru Harsahai, Distt. Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

District Development and Panchayat Officer,

Mini Secretariat,

Distt.Ferozepur.

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1111 of 2020

(Video conference/Cisco webex/phone proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the appellant.

Sh. Chanda Singh, Panchayat Secretary on behalf of the respondents, on telephone.

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 1.6.2021.

2. Sh. Chanda Singh, Panchayat Secretary states that the Block Development and Panchayats Officer office has not refunded the compensation amounting to Rs.5000/- paid to the appellant from his own pocket in shape of the cheque.

3. That the RTI application was filed by the appellant to the Block Development and Panchayats Officer and compensation awarded was also to be paid by the office of the Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Guru Harsahai from the state exchequer. As the amount has already been paid to the appellant by the Panchayat Secretary but it was the duty of the Block Development and Panchayats Officer to refund the compensation amount to the Panchayat Secretary, Sh. Chanda Singh who has not been refunded till date. Viewing the attitude of the respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer seriously, Sh. Sarabjit Singh Brar 8968695353, Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer, Guru Harsahai, is, thus, issued a show cause notice to explain in a self-attested affidavit as to why a penalty @ Rs.250/- per day of delay subject to a maximum of Rs.25000/- till the amount of compensation is not refunded to the Panchayat Secretary, be not imposed under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005 on him for

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causing wilful delay in this case. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20(1) proviso thereto, 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 next date, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission will proceed ex-parte.

4. The respondent-Public Information Officer-cum-Block Development and Panchayats Officer is also directed to ensure that the compensation amount paid by the Panchayat Secretary be refunded before the next date of hearing.

5. Also a request has been received from the appellant, which is taken on record, mentioning that the information pertaining to Point No. 1, 10 and 11 of the RTI application has not been supplied by the Block Development and Panchayats Officer. It is also a fact on record that the information related to Panchayat as has been sought by the appellant has already been supplied by the respondents. It is also a fact on record that the appellant has given a satisfactory report after the inspection of the record on 2.2.2021 in the office of the Commission itself pertaining to Point No. 1. As far as the information pertaining to Point No. 10 is concerned, the respondent-Panchayat Secretary-Sh. Chanda Singh given a specific reply on 2.2.2021 that no grant has been received regarding the houses. As far as the information concerning Point No. 11 is concerned, it relates to the Water Supply Department so no information has been supplied by the respondents as has been mentioned by the respondent-Panchayat Secretary-Sh. Chanda Singh. The appellant is advised to make the application afresh to the authority concerned as has been ordered by the Commission dated 15.3.2021.

Sh. Chanda Singh, Panchayat Secretary also states that all the grants received by the Gram Panchayat is through the bank and a copy of all bank accounts pertaining to the RTI application has already been supplied and the appellant has already inspected the complete record in the Commission. Accordingly, the request of the appellant dated 30.6.2021 is not tenable.

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5. To come up on 28.7.2021 at 3.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ferozpur/cisco webex.

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Dated: 30.6.2021

(Suresh Arora)  
Chief Information Commissioner,  
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Shri Gurmeet Singh s/o Shri Lal Singh  
r/o Village Kikkar Khera,  
Tehsil Abohar,  
District Fazilka.

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Block Munak at Andana,  
Tehsil Khanauri,  
District Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Block Development and Panchayats Officer,  
Munak,  
District Sangrur.

Sh. Shavinder Singh, **Registered**  
District Development and Panchayats Officer  
Barnala.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1393 of 2020  
(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the parties. 9781616213

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 26.5.2021.

2. The respondents have already sent the remaining information to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. Since, none is present on behalf of the parties, therefore, the case is adjourned with the directions to the appellant to file the rejoinder, if any, before the next date of hearing to the respondent-Public Information Officer with a copy to the Commission.

3. To come up on 29.7.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Sangrur/Fazilka/cisco webex.

Dated: 30.6.2021

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Sh M.S. Chhatwal, IAS  
The Director,  
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Sh. Rajesh Kumar

# 2049/9B, Jain Nagar

Shiv Puri

District Ludhiana 141008 M 7837744724

....Appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana

Public Information Officer  
o/o Commissioner of Police,  
District Ludhiana

**(Registered)**

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1067 of 2021  
(Cisco Webex/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the parties. 9915603000 9988110640

## ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 15.6.2021.

- Due to strike by the officials of the respondent authority, the case is adjourned and the appellant has been informed not to appear in this case.
- Also the respondent-Public Information Officer o/o the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana is directed to file the response regarding order of the Commission dated 15.6.2021 before the next date of hearing.
- To come up on 3.8.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana/cisco webex.

Dated: 30.6.2021

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Sh. Amrik Singh 9876800860  
Block J 26/100, BRS Nagar,  
District Ludhiana

..Complainant

Vs

Public Information Officer  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana

Sh. Vikas Kumar, **Registered**  
Superintendent,  
o/o Deputy Commissioner,  
District Ludhiana

....Respondents

Complaint Case No. 365 of 2021

(Video Conference/Cisco Webex/Telephone Proceedings)

Present:- None on behalf of the parties.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 21.6.2021.

2. Due to strike by the officials of the respondent authority, the case is adjourned and the appellant has been informed not to appear in this case.
3. Also Sh. Vikas Kumar, Superintendent o/o Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana is not present. He was impleaded as necessary party in this case to file the submissions, if any, being third party and the information sought directly relates to him. One last opportunity is granted to him to file his submissions, if any, failing which the case will be decided on the next date of hearing on merit.
4. To come up on 3.8.2021 at 12.30 PM to be heard through Video Conference Facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, District Ludhiana /cisco webex.

Dated: 30.6.2021

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(Suresh Arora)  
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