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Shri Om Parkash Yadav, S/o Shri Naresh Prashad Yadav, R/o H.No.213 (H-1-MCA), Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Near State Bank of India, Batala Road. Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

Public Information Officer

O/o Estate Officer, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

Public Information Officer O/o Medical Officer, Health Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

Public Information Officer

Municipal Town Planner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No.2971 of 2020

Present: (i) Shri Om Parkash Yadav, appellant, in person.

(ii) Shri Dharminderjit Singh, Estate Officer/PIO, M.C. Amritsar, in person.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 29.03.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Om Parkash Yadav, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has received information from the Medical Officer, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar vide letter dated 30.06.2022. He, however, contents that though the information is attested by the Medical Officer (Health), M.C. Amritsar but it does not contain the full name of the attesting officer.
- 3. Shri Dharminderjit Singh, Estate Officer/PIO, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the action with regard to the grievance raised by the appellant in his complaint dated 15.03.2019 has been taken and the same stands redressed. He also hands over a copy of letter dated 30.08.2022 to this effect to the appellant in the court itself.



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4. The appellant on perusing the letter expresses his dis-satisfaction stating that he is still aggrieved by the industries existing in his neighbourhood. On the asking of the Bench as to how many other residences are there apart from the industries existing there, the Estate Officer, Shri Dharminderjit Singh apprises the Bench that there is only one residence of only appellant in the lane under question. He also states that it is not possible that so many industries can be relocated from the said area.

5. Post deliberations, the PIO O/o Estate Officer, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar and PIO O/o Medical Officer, Health, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar are directed to file provide information to the appellant addressing all the points once again duly attested by indicating the name of officer attesting the same. They are further directed to ensure to attend the next hearing in person before the Bench.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Mohammad Hanif, S/o Shri Mohammad Sadiq, Baldev Colony, Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

.....Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer (BDPO), Nabha, District Patiala.

First Appellate Authority: O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer (DDPO), District Patiala.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2357 of 2021

Present:- (i) Shri Mohammad Hanif, appellant- cisco webex

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

ORDER

(Heard through cisco webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the Order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Mohammad Hanif, appellant comes present through Cisco Webex to attend the hearing and admits the receipt of information relating to Megh Colony as also the receipt of compensation amount of Rs.3,000/-. He, however, states that the information relating to office of BDPO Nabha has not been received by him yet.
- 3. Neither the PIO, O/o BDPO, Nabha has come present to attend the hearing nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing. He has also not provided information to the appellant in spite of directions of the Bench given on the previous hearing.
- 4.. The Bench now directs the PIO O/o BDPO, Nabha to supply information on the points relating to PIO O/o BDPO Nabha as also to file reply to the show cause notice before the next hearing. The Bench observes that this is the 10th consecutive hearing. The PIO O/o BDPO, Nabha has not come present in person before the Bench or through cisco webex on these hearings, except the hearing dated 21.12.2021,

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when Shri Deepak Kumar, Superintendent was present. However, when on next hearing on 29.03.2022, he was contacted on mobile phone, he was unaware of the facts of the case. In such a situation, **the Bench is** left with no option but to issue bailable warrant to the PIO O/o BDPO Nabha, District Patiala, to ensure his presence on the next date of hearing. He is also directed to supply information on the points relating to PIO O/o BDPO Nabha, before the next hearing.

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6. With the aforesaid directions the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Mahinder Singh, S/o Shri Ujjagar Singh, R/o Village Khan Piara, Block Dhariwal, Distt. Gurdaspur.

.....Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/ o Block Dev. and Panchayat Officer, Dhariwal, Distt. Gurdaspur.

First Appellate Authority: O/o Distt. Dev. and Panchayat Officer, Gursdaspur.

---- Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2661 of 2021

Present:-

- (i) Shri Mahinder Singh, Appellant -cisco webex.
- (ii) Shri Rakesh Kumar, Superintendent O/o BDPO Dhariwal, District Gurdaspur, on behalf of the PIO- cisco webex.

ORDER

(Heard through Cisco Webex)

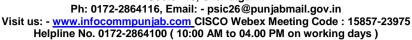
- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Mahinder Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through Cisco Webex.
- 3. Shri Rakesh Kumar, Superintendent O/o BDPO, Dhariwal, District Gurdaspur comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide registered post. On the asking of the Bench as to whether compensation amount has been paid or not, he is unaware of the issue.
- 4. The appellant Shri Mahinder Singh states that incomplete information from 2013 to 2018 has been supplied and not upto 2020 as per his RTI application. He also denies the receipt of amount of compensation.
- 5. The Bench now directs the PIO O/o BDPO Dhariwal to supply complete information, to file reply to the show cause notice and also to pay compensation amount of Rs.5000/- to the appellant before the next hearing, failing which the Bench may be constrained to impose penalty on the PIO.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11:30 am in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

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

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Shri Pargat Singh, S/o Late Shri Joginder Singh, Village Machraye Khurd, Tehsil Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

..... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o Block Development & Panchayat Officer(BDPO),

Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Distt. Development & Panchayat Officer(DDPO), Fatehgarh Sahib.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1683 of 2021

Present:-

- (i) Shri Pargat Singh, appellant- cisco webex.
- (ii) Shri Khushwinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary/PIO, Gram Panchayat, Machhraye Khurd,Block Amloh, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib, in person.

ORDER

(Heard in person/ through cisco webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Pargat Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex and states that the PIO has neither provided the requisite information nor paid the amount of compensation of Rs.4,000/-.
- 3. Mr. Khushwinder Singh, PIO-cum-Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Machhraye Khurd comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has brought along the information for handing over to the appellant. He, however, denies the payment of compensation to the appellant and states that it will be done shortly.
- 4. The Bench directs Shri Khushwinder Singh, Panchayat Secretary-cum-PIO, Gram Panchayat, Machhraye Khurd to supply complete information to the appellant, pay him the compensation amount of Rs.4,000/- as also to file reply to the show cause notice. In case he fails to comply with the directions of the Bench in totality, the Bench will be constrained to impose penalty on the PIO. He is also directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing. The appellant is also advised to come present in person.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11:30 am in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the Order be sent to the concerned parties.

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

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Shri Sandeep Singh,			
S/o Shri Kashmir Singh,			
R/o Village Muazam,			
Tehsil & Distt. Fazilka.		Complainant.	
	Versus	•	
Public Information Officer,			
O/o District Development and			
Panchayat Officer (DDPO),			
Fazilka.	Respondent		

Complaint Case No. 300 of 2021

Present:- (i) Shri Sandeep Singh, Complainant, in person.

(ii) None present on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Sandeep Singh, complainant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has not been supplied any information so far.
- 3. The PIO, O/o DDPO, Fazilka has not come present in person or through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representative to attend the hearing for today. However, a letter dated 10.08.2022 is available in the case file whereby the DDPO Fazilka has issued directions to the BDPO Fazilka to ensure presence in the hearing before the Bench.
- 4. The Bench observes that this is the ninth consecutive hearing and in spite of the bailable warrant issued to the PIO O/o District Development & Panchayat Officer, Fazilka has absented himself for today's hearing though the warrant duly stands served to the PIO as per report of SHO P.S. City, Fazilka. This is viewed adversely. The Bench has no other option, but to issue bailable warrant again to PIO Office of D.D.P.O. Fazilka to ensure his presence on the next date of hearing.
- 5. The Bench directs the PIO to deposit the amount penalty Rs.25,000/- and produce before the Bench the evidence for having deposited the same and supply remaining information to the complainant as also to ensure to bring along the relevant record along with copy of the information supplied and to produce the same before the Bench.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11:30 am in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Tarun Wadhwa, S/o Shri Vijay Kumar R/o D/1598, Chawla Street, Adarsh Nagar, Tehsil & District Fazilka-152123.

..... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Tehsildar, Fazilka.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Fazilka.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2088 of 2022

Present:- (i) Shri Tarun Wadhwa, Appellant- cisco webex.

(ii) Shri Diamond, Clerk O/o Tehsildar, Fazilka, on behalf of the respondent,

in person.

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Tarun Wadhwa, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex.
- 3. Shri Diamond, Clerk O/o Tehsildar, Fazilka comes present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO/respondent. He states that the information has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 19.04.2022 and again vide letter dated 22.06.2022 wherein point-wise information has been sent to the appellant. He further states that as per orders dated 04.07.2022 of the Hon'ble Commission, the appellant was called to office for inspection of records, but he has not come to do so nor the appellant has pointed out any deficiencies in the information supplied.
- 4. The appellant states that he did not visit the office of Tehsildar, Fazilka as he fears that he may be roughed up there by the officials of Tehsil Office, Fazilka. He further states that information supplied on point No.(a) is not legible and no information from point (b) to (h) has been supplied by the PIO.
- 5. On the asking of the Bench, the representative of the PIO states that the allegation made by the appellant is not correct as he was called as per orders of Hon'ble Commission. He further states that the appellant has been given reply on points (b) to (h) that such information is not maintained separately, that is why he was called for inspection of records to identify the information required by him.

- 6. The Bench now directs the PIO O/o Tehsildar, Fazilka to ensure to come present in person before the Bench and bring along the entire relevant record and produce the same before the Bench on the next hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.
- 7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11:30 am in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Dr. Mehga Singh, President Residents Welfare Association, Sector-97, 106 & 107, Uniworld City, SAS Nagar.

..... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o GMADA, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority, O/o GMADA, Mohali.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3074 of 2022

Present:- (i) Dr. Megha Singh, Appellant, in person.

(ii) Shri Gurwinder Singh, AEO/PIO, GMADA, Mohali-cisco webex.

ORDER

(Heard in person/through cisco webex)

- 1. The RTI application is dated 07.01.2022 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 02.05.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 01.07.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 31.08.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Dr. Megha Singh, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
- 3. Shri Gurwinder Singh, AEO/PIO O/o GMADA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 27.07.2022 by registered by the Office of Land Acquisition Collector, GMADA, except point No.5 & 6, for which RTI application has been transferred to District Town Planner, Mohali.
- 4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant admits receipt of information only on Point No.7 & 8 of his RTI application. The appellant is apprised of the version of the PIO, however, he is not in agreement with the same.

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- 5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant on 07.09.2022 at 11.30 AM o his office and allow him access to the relevant records and for this purpose, the officials of the Land Acquisition Collector be also associated. The information as may be identified by the appellant after inspection of records, be provided to him, duly attested, before the next hearing.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Gagandeep Singh Threeke, H.No.208, Aryan Enclave, Main Sua Road, Near Geeta Mandir Chowk, VPO Threeke, Ludhiana-142028.

..... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA,Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA,Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3091 of 2022

Present:- (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) None on behalf of PIO, GLADA, Ludhiana.

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application is dated 21.03.2022 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 29.04.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 01.07.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 31.08.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Gagandeep Singh Threeke, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex. However, letter dated 29.07.2022 has been received by e.mail wherein he has stated that he has received information on point No.1 to 3 and no information has been provided to him on point No.4.
- 3. Neither the PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. This attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely. The PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and also not supplying complete information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

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- 4. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.
- 5. The PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana is directed to supply information to the appellant on Point No.4 before the next hearing as also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing, failing which, penal consequences shall follow.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Neeraj Kumar, Advocate & Shri Suraj Kumar, Advocate C/o Chamber No.4020, Lawyers Chambers Complex Part-II, District Courts, Ludhiana.

... Appellants

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA,Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Chief Administrator, GLADA,Ludhiana.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3065 of 2022

Present:- (i) Shri Neeraj Kumar and Shri Suraj Kumar, Appellants, in person.

(ii) None on behalf of PIO, GLADA, Ludhiana.

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application is dated 18.01.2022 vide which the appellant have sought information as enumerated in their RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 02.03.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 02.03.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 31.08.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Neeraj Kumar and Shri Suraj Kumar, appellants come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. They state that information has not been supplied by the PIO in spite of the order dated 18.04.2022 passed by the First Appellate Authority directing them to provide the information.
- 3. Neither the PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO. However, a letter dated 10.08.2022 has been received by post from the APIO GLADA, Ludhiana stating that the information sought relates to third party and consent was sought from the concerned parties who have refused their consent to share their information.
- 4. The Bench observes that the PIO has absented himself for the hearing for the second consecutive time. This indifferent attitude of the PIO is viewed adversely. The PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and

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also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing He is

also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellants should not be

compensated for the mental harassment suffered by them in getting the information.

In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso

thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take

note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal

hearing on the next 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.

On hearing the version of the appellants and perusing the contents of order dated 18.04.2022

passed by the First Appellate Authority, the Bench does not accept the contention of the PIO regarding third

party information and is fully in agreement with the First Appellate Authority's order dated 18.04.2022. The

PIO O/o GLADA, Ludhiana is directed to supply information to the appellants before the next hearing as also

to ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing, failing which, the Bench will be

constrained to issue bailable warrant to ensure presence of PIO.

7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on

10.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the

concerned parties.

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Shri Sukrit Sharda. #50/186, Old Shahpur Road, Pathankot.

..... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Improvement Trust,

Amritsar.

.....Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3113 of 2022

- Present:-(i) Appellant- absent.
 - (ii) Shri Vishal Sharma, Accountant O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar, on behalf of the PIO, in person.

ORDER

- The RTI application is dated 01.04.2022 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 11.05.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 01.07.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 31.08.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Sukrit Sharda, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex.
- 3. Shri Vishal Sharma, Accountant O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar comes present to attend the hearing in person before he Bench. He states that the information sought by the appellant is voluminous and is not specific and thus, could not be supplied.
- 4. The appellant Shri Sukrit Sharda is contacted on mobile phone. He is apprised of the version of the representative of PIO.
- 5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar to call the appellant to his office on any working day and allow him access to the official records relating to the information sought. The appellant, after inspection of records, will identify the information and the PIO will supply him the information as is identified by the appellant, before the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, Ward No.18, Street No.2, Kartar Nagar, Amloh Road, Khanna, District Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Khanna, District Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Regional Deputy Director, Urban Local Govt., Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No.558 of 2020

Present: (i) Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, appellant, in person.

(ii) Shri Ashwani Kumar, Sanitary Supervisor, Municipal Council, Khanna,

District Ludhiana, in person.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous date of hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ramandeep Singh Ahluwalia, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
- 3. Shri Ashwani Kumar, Sanitary Supervisor, Municipal Council, Khanna comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has brought along the entire relevant record for perusal of teh Bench and the appellant.
- 4. The Bench directs the representative of PIO to sit in the adjacent court room and show the appellant the record brought along by him and to report back to the Bench thereafter.
- 5. Post meeting in the court room, Shri Ashwani Kumar, representative of PIO states that the entire record has been got inspected and the appellant has also identified the information sought by him. He seeks some time so as to get the photocopies made of the identified record and to supply the same to the appellant duly authenticated. The appellant also agrees to it.
- 6. In view of the request of the representative of PIO as made above, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Ravinder Kumar, S/o Late Shri Mohan Lal, R/o 4882, Sunny Enclave, Sector-125, Kharar-140301.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o GMADA. Mohali.

First Appellate Authority O/o GMADA, Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No. 1272 of 2022

Present: (i) Shri Ravinder Kumar, Appellant, in person.

(ii) Shri Gurwinder Singh, A.E.O./PIO, GMADA, Mohali-cisco webex.

ORDER

(Heard in person/through cisco webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ravinder Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
- 3. Shri Gurwinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer/PIO, GMADA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the appellant has been given information and he has only to file an affidavit which could not be filed as problem is being faced regarding availability of non-judicial stamp paper.
- 4. The appellant Shri Ravinder Kumar reiterates his version as made during the previous hearing and states that he is still aggrieved by non-supply of complete information. He further states that though he had visited the office of PIO but he was not shown any records.
- 5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office on 07.09.2022 at 11.30 AM in his office and allow the appellant access to the relevant official records by associating the officials of the concerned Branch. The information as may be identified by the appellant be provided to him before the next hearing.

- 6. After supplying requisite information to the appellant, the Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, as per directions given during the previous hearing.
- 7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11:30 am in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Sector-125, Kharar-140301.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o GMADA, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority O/o GMADA, Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No. 1271 of 2022

Present: (i) Shri Ravinder Kumar, Appellant, in person.

(ii) Shri Gurwinder Singh, A.E.O./PIO, GMADA, Mohali-cisco webex.

OR<u>DER</u>

(Heard in person/through cisco webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ravinder Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
- 3. Shri Gurwinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer/PIO, GMADA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the appellant has been given information and he has only to file an affidavit which could not be filed as problem is being faced regarding availability of non-judicial stamp paper.
- 4. The appellant Shri Ravinder Kumar reiterates his version as made during the previous hearing and states that he is still aggrieved by non-supply of complete information. He further states that though he had visited the office of PIO but he was not shown any records.
- 5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office on 07.09.2022 at 11.30 AM in his office and allow the appellant access to the relevant official records by associating the officials of the concerned Branch. The information as may be identified by the appellant be provided to him before the next hearing.

- 6. After supplying requisite information to the appellant, the Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, as per directions given during the previous hearing.
- 7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11:30 am in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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R/o 4882, Sunny Enclave,
Sector-125, Kharar-140301.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o GMADA, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority O/o GMADA, Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No. 1273 of 2022

Present: (i) Shri Ravinder Kumar, Appellant, in person.

(ii) Shri Gurwinder Singh, A.E.O./PIO, GMADA, Mohali-cisco webex.

OR<u>DER</u>

(Heard in person/through cisco webex)

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ravinder Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench.
- 3. Shri Gurwinder Singh, Assistant Estate Officer/PIO, GMADA, Mohali comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that the appellant has been given information and he has only to file an affidavit which could not be filed as problem is being faced regarding availability of non-judicial stamp paper.
- 4. The appellant Shri Ravinder Kumar reiterates his version as made during the previous hearing and states that he is still aggrieved by non-supply of complete information. He further states that though he had visited the office of PIO but he was not shown any records.
- 5. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to call the appellant to his office on 07.09.2022 at 11.30 AM in his office and allow the appellant access to the relevant official records by associating the officials of the concerned Branch. The information as may be identified by the appellant be provided to him before the next hearing.

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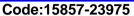
6. After supplying requisite information to the appellant, the Bench directs the PIO to file an affidavit on non judicial stamp paper duly signed by the PIO and attested by the Notary Public, as per directions given during the previous hearing.

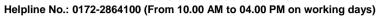
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7. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11:30 am in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

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Shri Yogesh Mahajan, S/o Late Shri Kuldip Raj Mahajan, President of Anti Corruption Council, Opp. Water Tank, Municipal Market, Mission Road, Pathankot.

.....Appellant.

Versus

Public Information Officer Improvement Trust Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority Improvement Trust Amritsar.

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 613 of 2022

Present:- (i) Shri Yogesh Mahajan, Appellant, in person.

(ii) Shri Jasbir Singh, Junior Engineer and Shri Chinky Mahajan, Data Entry Operator, Improvement Trust, Amritsar on behalf of the PIO/respondent, in person.

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Yogesh Mahajan, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person.
- 3. Shri Jasbir Singh, Junior Engineer, O/o Improvement Trust, Amritsar comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that the information has been supplied to the appellant on 07.07.2022 and also sent on his WhatsApp Number on 30.08.2022. He produces before the Bench the letter dated 30.08.2022 whereby the PIO has apprised the Bench to this effect and has also filed reply to the show cause notice. He also states that he has also brought along a copy of the same.
- 4. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant denies receipt of information. He, however, states that he is yet to check his WhastApp. Then, on the directions of Bench, the representative of PIO hands over a copy of the information to the appellant in the court itself. As it contains large number of pages, the appellant seeks some additional time to go through the information supplied so that he may be able to apprise of the Hon'ble Bench regarding his satisfaction over the information supplied.
- 5. Acceding to the request of the appellant, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

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

...Respondents

AC No.692/2022

Present: (i) Shri Ankit Sehgal, Appellant, in person.

(ii) None on behalf of the PIO/respondent.

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.07.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ankit Sehgal, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench and states that he has been provided partial information as he has received information on Point No.1,4 & 5 and no information has been received by him on point No.2,3,6 & 7.
- 3. Neither the PIO, O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar has come present to attend the hearing in person nor through cisco webex nor he has deputed any of his representatives to attend the hearing.
- 4. The Bench observes that was directed to come present in person before the Bench but he has not come present in person nor he has supplied complete information to the appellant, after removing deficiencies. Thus, the PIO has failed to comply with the directions of the Bench given during the previous hearing. This attitude and the casual approach adopted by the PIO is viewed adversely.
- 5. The PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar is issued show cause notice to explain his absence and as to why action should not be taken against him and also as to why penalty should not be imposed in the instant case for failing to appear for the hearing and also not supplying complete information to the appellant. He is also directed to file a written reply to the show cause notice as to why the appellant should not be compensated for the mental harassment suffered by him in getting the information.

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- 6. In addition to the written reply, the PIO is hereby given an opportunity u/s 20(1) proviso thereto for personal hearing before the imposition of such a penalty, on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file the written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next 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.
- 7. The PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar is directed to supply rectified information to the appellant after removing deficiencies as directed during previous hearing, before the next hearing as also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing, failing which, the Bench will be constrained to issue Bailable Warrant to ensure his presence before the Bench.
- 8. With the aforesaid directions, the mater is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 10.10.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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