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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Gagandeep Singh, S/o Sh. Avtar Singh, # 26 HM, Sector 59, Phase-IV, Mohali-160059

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Divisional Forest Officer, Gurdaspur.

Complaint Case No. 1149 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Complainant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 21.4.2022)

- 1. The complainant, **Gagandeep Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **17.5.2021** and sought information regarding hotel Golden Palm, Sh. Ganpati Traders, Mahajan Store, Hooter Restaurant situated in IT Area, Gurdaspur, from the PIO o/o Divisional Forest Officer, Gurdaspur. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **10.9.2021**. The case was last heard on **21.4.2022**.
- 2. At the last hearing on 21.4.2022, the respondent PIO was directed to state his contentions in his reply (Letter No. 731 Dated 2.6.2021) by way of a duly notarized affidavit. He has failed to comply. This Commission deems it fit to serve the respondent PIO with this Show Cause Notice.
- 3. The respondent <u>PIO-cum-Divisional Forest Officer, Gurdaspur</u>, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **17.5.2021**.

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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4. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

5. Next hearing on 11.10.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Gurdaspur.

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 5.8.2022

Cc: Chief Conservator of Forests, Gurdapur, for information and further necessary

action.

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Tejinder Singh,

Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur – 144 410

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dharamkot, Moga. First Appellate Authority, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dharamkot, Moga.

Appeal Case No. 4605 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Tejinder Singh (Appellant) 90410-04313 Harmandeep Singh, Data Entry Operator (for the Respondent) 98552-54617

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 21.4.2022)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **27.4.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding registration authority</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.6.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.10.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **21.4.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The appellant is present in person. After deliberations at this hearing, the respondent PIO represented by Harmandeep Singh, Data Entry Operator, states that a reply was sent to the appellant vide Letter Dated 7.7.2022, wherein he was informed that the information requested is in the form of questions and so not permissible under the RTI Act 2005.
- 3. The Commission examined the RTI application and is of the view that the respondent PIO must submit a fresh reply to point no. 1 of the RTI application and provide duly attested copies of all the record pertaining to point no.1. In Case the respondent still persists in seeking exemption for disclosure, he must cite specific provisions of RTI Act 2005, to claim such exemption. This must be done within receipt of 3 weeks of this Order.
- 4. Next hearing on 20.10.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Moga.

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Tejinder Singh,

Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur – 144 410

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dharamkot, Moga. First Appellate Authority, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dharamkot, Moga.

Appeal Case No. 4689 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Tejinder Singh (Appellant) 90410-04313 Neeraj Bhalla, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98881-97542

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **21.4.2022**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **27.4.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding checking of vehicles from 2017 to till date</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.6.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.10.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **21.4.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are present. The appellant is present in person. After deliberations at this hearing, the respondent PIO represented by Neeraj Bhalla, Clerk is directed to provide details of number of Challans issued by the SDM, during routine checking in the period cited in the RTI application alongwith year-wise information pertaining to the fine collected. This must be done within 3 weeks of receipt of this Order.
- 3. Next hearing on 20.10.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Moga.

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Harminder Singh Brar, R/o Purana Patti, Bhaghapurana, Moga.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 5197 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent
Jagtar Singh, Senior Assistant (for the Respondent) 94642-050024

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **21.4.2022**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **29.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding Letter No. 455-57/Reader-1 Dated 11.9.2008</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.6.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **17.11.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **21.4.2022**.
- 2. The appellant is absent. The respondent PIO, represented by Jagtar Singh, Senior Assistant, submitted a copy of reply vide Letter No. 358 Dated 13.4.2022, whereby partial information was supplied to the appellant vide Letter No. 508 Dated 4.4.2022. The appellant in an email dated 5.8.2022 informed the Commission that he has not received the information till date.
- 3. In view of above, the Commission deems it fit to issue the respondent PIO with this Show Cause Notice.
- 4. The respondent <u>PIO o/o Deputy Commissioner, Moga</u>, is herewith ordered to **SHOW CAUSE** as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20 (1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing willful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on **29.9.2020**.

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) provision there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*." Copies of this order be sent to the parties through registered post.

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- 5. The respondent PIO is further directed to provide a fresh reply to the RTI application along with duly attested copies of both the documents sought in said RTI application and submit these to the Commission by registered post within Ten days of receipt of this order.
- 6. IMPORTANT! All documents / information supplied to appellants / complainants must mandatorily be attested as under:

Information supplied under the RTI Act, 2005 Signature of the PIO Name of the PIO Name of the Public Authority Date

7. Next hearing on 20.10.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Moga.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 5.8.2022

Cc: Deputy Commissioner, Moga, for information and further necessary action.

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Suresh Sood,

S/o Sh. Dev Dutt Sood, # 329-330, Street Sood, Mohalla Sodia, District Moga.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, District Moga. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, District Moga.

Appeal Case No. 217 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **21.4.2022**)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **30.9.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding stores/places for keeping the files etc.</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **1.11.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **30.12.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **21.4.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. This case is adjourned to its next hearing.
- 3. Next hearing on 20.10.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Moga.

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S/o Sh. Dev Dutt Sood, # 329-330, Street Sood, Mohalla Sodia, District Moga.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, District Moga. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, District Moga.

Appeal Case No. 4934 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 21.4.2022)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **18.8.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding NOCs for purchase of plots, noncommercial, commercial, from MC, Moga, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **23.9.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.10.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **21.4.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. The respondent APIO-cum-HDM, Harvinder Singh, has sought exemption from today's hearing because of some personal family issues. This case is adjourned to its next hearing.
- 3. Next hearing on 20.10.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Moga.

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Gurmej Lal,

1331-5, Street No. 5, Near Vishwakarma Bhawan, Down Canal Road, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, District Moga. First Appellate Authority, o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, District Moga.

Appeal Case No. 5069 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 21.4.2022)

- 1. The RTI application is dated **9.7.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information <u>regarding illegal buildings in MC, Moga etc.</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **14.8.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.11.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **21.4.2022**.
- 2. Both parties are absent. The respondent APIO-cum-HDM, Harvinder Singh, has sought exemption from today's hearing because of some personal family issues. This case is adjourned to its next hearing.
- 3. Next hearing on 20.10.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Moga.

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.