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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Balbir Aggarwal,

S/o Sh. Munshi Ram, # 1525/1, Street No. 33, Preet Nagar, Shimlapuri, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Zonal Commissioner (O&M Cell), Zone C, Municipal Corporation, Gill Road, District Ludhiana-141003 **First Appellate Authority,** o Zonal Commissioner, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Gill Road, District Ludhiana-141003

Appeal Case No. 222 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent (Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **20.8.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **24.8.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding list of submersible pumps from 2015 to 24.8.2020 in the Zone-C area, M.C. Ludhiana,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.9.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. Both parties are absent for the second time in succession. The Commission deems it fit to issue Show Cause Notice to the respondent PIO, O&M Cell, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

3. The respondent PIO 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 **24.8.2020**.

"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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Appeal Case No. 222 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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. <u>Next hearing on 5.5.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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

Chandigarh 6.1.2022

Cc: Zonal Commissioner, (O & M Cell), Zone C, Municipal Corporation, Gill Road, District Ludhiana, for information and further necessary action.

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Kamaljit Singh,

S/o Sh. Shiv Dev Singh, # 395-L, Model Town, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Municipal Corporation, Zone-C, District Ludhiana. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Municipal Corporation, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 289 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Satish Malhotra, PIO-cum-ATP (Respondent) Kashish Garg, APIO-cum-Building Inspector from Zone-C (for the Respondent) Ajay Kumar, Building Inspector from Zone-D (for the Respondent) Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 20.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **22.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding unauthorized construction/ demolition notices issued etc..** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **3.11.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The PIO's of some of the Zones have filed point-wise reply to the RTI application which is not in line with this Commission's Order of 20.8.2021.

3. The PIO-cum-ATPs of all four zones are herewith given one final opportunity to submit an estimate of the volume that would be involved in providing the requested information regarding demolition of illegal construction and encroachment for the period cited in the RTI application. Failure to comply, will invite penal consequences as per the RTI Act 2005.

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Appeal Case No. 289 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. <u>Next hearing on 5.5.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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Gaganpreet Singh (Advocate), S/o Sh. Gurinder Pal Singh, Chamber No. 8039, 8th Floor,

New Court Complex, Part-II, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Chairman / Executive Officer,

Ludhiana Improvement Trust, Ludhiana. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Chairman / Executive Officer, Ludhiana Improvement Trust, Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 229 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Harpal Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 97806-09475

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 20.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **5.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding drawing/map of 550 Acre scheme, BRS Nagar Ferozepur Road, Ludhiana,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **9.11.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation but has informed the Commission when contacted on telephone that he has not received any response to the RTI application or Second Appeal. The respondent PIO, represented at this hearing by Harpal Singh, Clerk, has reiterated his contention at the last hearing on 20.8.2021 that all the information has already been sent to the appellant.

3. However, in light of the appellant's claim, the respondent PIO is herewith directed to submit a fresh pointwise reply to the RTI application along with duly attested copies of the information requested therein. This must be submitted to the Commission within 20 days of receipt of this order.

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

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Appeal Case No. 229 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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

5. <u>Next hearing on 5.5.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Chairman / Executive Officer, Ludhiana Improvement Trust, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Chairman / Executive Officer, Ludhiana Improvement Trust, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 233 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Harpal Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 97806-09475

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 20.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **5.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Orient Cinema, allotted or sold, allotment letter, resolution pass etc.,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **9.11.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation but has informed the Commission when contacted on telephone that he has not received any response to the RTI application or Second Appeal. The respondent PIO, represented at this hearing by Harpal Singh, Clerk, has reiterated his contention at the last hearing on 20.8.2021 that all the information has already been sent to the appellant.

3. However, in light of the appellant's claim, the respondent PIO is herewith directed to submit a fresh pointwise reply to the RTI application along with duly attested copies of the information requested therein. This must be submitted to the Commission within 20 days of receipt of this order.

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

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Appeal Case No. 233 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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

5. <u>Next hearing on 5.5.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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Rahul Gupta,

S/o Sh. Sharampal, # 170, Street No. 6, Mohalla Hargobindpura, Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon. First Appellate Authority, o/o Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 226 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Narinder Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98884-54860

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **20.8.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **13.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding tenders allotted to the contractors/societies/firms by the Municipal Council Jagraon, for the development work of Jagraon in the year 2020, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.11.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Narinder Kumar, Clerk says that the officers dealing with this RTI application have been transferred. However the office has written to the appellant inviting him to visit the office of MC, Jagraon, on Monday, 10.1.2021, whereafter all the information will be given to him.

3. In view of the appellant's request and the submission made by the respondent, this case is adjourned to its next hearing.

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

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Appeal Case No. 226 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. <u>Next hearing on 13.4.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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Rahul Gupta,

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Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 460 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Narinder Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98884-54860

ORDER: (To be read in continuity with earlier orders on **20.8.2021**)

1. The RTI application is dated **12.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding an interlock tile road**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.11.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on 20.8.2021.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Narinder Kumar, Clerk says that the officers dealing with this RTI application have been transferred. The office has however, has written to the appellant inviting him to visit the office of MC, Jagraon, on Monday, 10.1.2021, whereafter all the information will be given to him.

3. In view of the appellant's request and the submission made by the respondent, this case is adjourned to its next hearing.

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

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Appeal Case No. 460 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. <u>Next hearing on 13.4.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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S/o Sh. Dharampal, # 170, St. No.6, Mohalla Hargobindpura, Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, o/o Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies District Ludhiana. Appeal Case No. 554 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Narinder Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98884-54860

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 20.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **3.10.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding tenders allotted to Harminder Singh Chawla in 2020, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **3.11.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **22.1.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Narinder Kumar, Clerk says that the officers dealing with this RTI application have been transferred. The office has however, has written to the appellant inviting him to visit the office of MC, Jagraon, on Monday, 10.1.2021, whereafter all the information will be given to him.

3. In view of the appellant's request and the submission made by the respondent, this case is adjourned to its next hearing.

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

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Appeal Case No. 554 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. <u>Next hearing on 13.4.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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S/o Dharampal, # 170, Street No. 6, Mohalla Hargobindpura, Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Executive Officer, Nagar Council, Jagraon, District Ludhiana. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, District Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3764 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Narinder Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98884-54860

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 4.3.2021, 1.7.2021, and 20.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **26.8.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding 'private' employees working in Municipal Council Jagraon from 2015 to August 2020**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **14.10.2020**, and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **2.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Narinder Kumar, Clerk says that the officers dealing with this RTI application have been transferred. The office has however, has written to the appellant inviting him to visit the office of MC, Jagraon, on Monday, 10.1.2021, whereafter all the information will be given to him.

3. In view of the appellant's request and the submission made by the respondent, this case is adjourned to its next hearing.

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

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Appeal Case No. 3764 of 2020 (Video Conference Proceedings)

5. <u>Next hearing on 13.4.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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Jagjeet Singh,

S/o Sh. Harabans Singh, R/o Aman Nagar, Street No. 3, Back Side Green Land School, Near Jalandhar Bye Pass, Ludhiana.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 290 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A (for the Respondent) 98558-24996

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 20.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **13.2.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding Complaints to Commissioner MC, copies of CLU receipt challan etc., as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **19.5.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A, says that the earlier reply sent to the appellant cannot be located at the file.

3. The respondent PIO is herewith directed to file a fresh pointwise reply to the RTI application along with all the information as available in the record. A copy of the reply and the appended information must also be submitted to this Commission.

4. <u>Next hearing on 5.5.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 292 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A (for the Respondent) 98558-24996

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 20.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **12.8.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding a complaint dated 30.7.2019**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **10.1.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A, has once again referred to a reply sent to the appellant in response to some other RTI application but concerning the same building cited in the complaint which is cited in this RTI application. It was clarified to the respondent that the appellant has merely sought the status of his complaint dated 30.7.2019 which was filed to the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana.

3. The respondent PIO is directed to file a fresh reply regarding the status of said complaint.

4. <u>Next hearing on 5.5.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 295 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: (Appellant) Absent Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A (for the Respondent) 98558-24996

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 20.8.2021)

1. The RTI application is dated **29.5.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding day to day status of complaints, ATP and Building Inspector MC., Ludhiana Zone-**<u>**A**</u>, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **1.7.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **20.8.2021**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. The respondent PIO, represented by Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A, has submitted copy of a reply sent to the appellant on 6.5.2019. It is more than evident that the said reply has no relationship to the information requested in this RTI application. The RTI application merely seeks the status of a complaint filed to the Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana on 22.5.2020.

3. The respondent PIO is directed to file a fresh reply giving status of said complaint.

4. <u>Next hearing on 5.5.2022 at 11.00 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Ludhiana.</u>

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