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REGISTERED SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Sukhminder Singh Rekhi,
#110-J, Sarabha Nagar,
District Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Executive Officer,
Improvement Trust Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Director, Local Bodies, Punjab,
Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 152 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Sukhminder Singh (Appellant) 9888880556

Rama Shankar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 7973499545

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **3.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding his own Plot – No.47-G, Saheed Bhagat Singh Nagar, Ludhiana by way of a certified copy of the registry bearing vasika No. 855 dated 15.6.2020,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **11.11.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **28.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on **9.4.2021**.

2. Both parties are present through Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO, represented by Rama Shankar, Clerk, stated that the requested information has not been furnished as it pertains to the property details of a third party. However, as contended by the appellant, the said property cited in the RTI application stood in the name of the appellant himself when he submitted his RTI application.

3. In any case, registration of property cannot be treated as personal information under the RTI Act and must be furnished. This Commission taken a very serious view of the respondent PIO's conduct and serves him with a show cause notice.

4. 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 **3.9.2020**.

"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*."

5. In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also directed to furnish the requested information by way of duly attested copies within the next 10 days. Every copy must be attested as per the format given under.

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Appeal Case No. 152 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

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 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

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Cc: Director, Local Bodies,
Punjab, Chandigarh, for information/further necessary action.

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Balbir Aggarwal,
1525/1, St.No.33, Preet Nagar,
Shimlapuri,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Commissioner, Zone-C,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 44 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 4.9.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the MC Building in Zone-C,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 1 7.10.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.12.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both parties are absent. This appeal case will now be heard at its next hearing

3. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

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Sarabjit Singh Gill,
H.No.60-35-P-376-1, St.No.8,
Maha Singh Nagar, PO Dhandari Kalan,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 4 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia(for the appellant) 9888490031.
MsKashish Garg (for the respondent) – 9653350060

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 25.9.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding letters to the Principal Secretary on 31.7.2020 and Letter No. 2642 dated 21.9.2020**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on 30.10.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.12.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both parties are present through Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana The respondent represented by Ms.Kashish Garg, Building Inspector(Technical), Zone-C, has contended that the information has already been given to the appellant in response to an earlier RTI application which was also heard as an Appeal Case by the Hon'ble SIC, **Lt. Gen.Ajae Kumar Sharma**. The respondent PIO is directed to submit a detailed reply citing the earlier RTI application/appeal case alongwith copies of the final order in the said appeal case as well as RTI application. This must be done before the next hearing.

3. 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

4. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Gurmej Lal,
H.No.6375, St.No.16,
Guru Gobind Singh Nagar,
Backside Bachan Gas Agency,
PO Daba, Ludhiana.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 2 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmail Lal (Appellant) - 9781672776

Randheer Singh, Superintendent (for the Respondent) - 8999069000

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **25.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding a complaint bearing diary No. 2108-PS-R dated 21.9.2020**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.10.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **18.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on **9.4.2021**.

2. Both parties are present through Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO, represented by Randhir Singh, Building Inspector from Zone-C, stated that the information is identical to that sought for Zone-A in Appeal Case No.3. The respondent PIO has however, not submitted any written reply either to the RTI application or to this Commission's notice. He is given Five days to draft and send detailed written reply to this Commission's Notice, failing which, action could be initiated as per RTI Act 2005. During deliberations at this hearing, it has come to light that the information sought in this RTI application pertains to some 300 odd schools in the area of Zone-B, MC, Ludhiana. The appellant is advised to list 5 specific schools to the respondent PIO, who is in turn, directed to supply the information pertaining to five listed schools to the appellant as well as to this Commission. This must be done before the next hearing.

3. 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

4. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

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Guru Gobind Singh Nagar, Backside Bachan Gas Agency,

PO Daba,

Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Commissioner,

Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Commissioner,

Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 12 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Gurmail Lal (Appellant) - 9781672776

Hitesh Kumar, JE, (for the Respondent) – 9988997224

Harjit Singh, SDO (for the Respondent) – 9780039453

Kulwinder Singh, SDO (for the Respondent) – 9888897201

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **25.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding roads and quality checks undertaken thereon**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.10.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **18.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both parties are present through Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO, represented by Hitesh Kumar, JE from Zone-A, Harjit Singh, SDO from Zone-B and Kulwinder Singh, SDO from Zone-C. Harjit Singh, SDO from Zone-B has stated that none of the projects cited in the RTI application pertains to his Zone. Meanwhile, Hitesh Kumar, JE and Kulwinder Singh, SDO stated that the requested information has already been sent to the appellant by registered post. It is however, evident that while the respondents have sent replies by registered post, the requested information was not included in those replies. The respondents Hitesh Kumar, JE from Zone-A and Kulwinder Singh, SDO from Zone-C are herewith directed to facilitate the inspection of the record by the appellant following which he is to be given requested information and attested copies of the requested information free of cost.

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Appeal Case No. 12 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

3. Inspection in Zone-A will be done at 3.00 PM on Monday i.e. 12.4.2021 and Zone-C on Thursday i.e. 15.4.2021. Both the aforesaid officers, Hitesh Kumar and Kulwinder Singh must ensure their presence on their seats on the appointed time and dates.

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 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

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Jagjit Singh,

R/o Aman Nagar, St.No.3, Backside Green Land School,
Near Jalandhar Bye Pass,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 85 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jagjit Singh (Appellant) – 9914248131

Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector (for the Respondent) – 9988500257

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **6.1.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding his Complaint to the Commissioner MC vide postal Receipt No.EP: 577230043IN dated 30.10.2019**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **13.2.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **21.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both parties are present through Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO, is represented by Gurpreet Kaur, Building Inspector from Zone-D . The appellant has stated that he has received a reply alongwith 10 pages of information vide letter No.1/ATP/D/RTI/D dated 1.4.2021. The appellant has requested time to examine the information for deficiency. The request is accepted.

3. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

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Near Jalandhar Bye Pass,
Ludhiana.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 86 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jagjit Singh (Appellant) – 9914248131
Davinder Singh (for the Respondent) – 9855824996

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 25.2.2020. **2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding two Complaints – vide Receipt No. EP578504591IN to the Commissioner and Receipt No. EP 578504441 to the ATP, dated 17.2.2019,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.5.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **21.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both parties are present. The appellant attended the hearing through CISCO WEBEX and the respondent via Video Conference from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO, represented by Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A stated that the information was sent to the appellant in reply to First Appeal filed by him, vide letter No.96 dated 15.9.2020. The appellant however contended that he has not received the information requested for any of the 10 points listed in his RTI application. The respondent PIO is directed to send a copy of the aforesaid reply, letter No. 96 dated 15.9.2020, to this Commission. He is also directed to draft a fresh written and pointwise reply to the RTI application in a tabulated form with the appellant's queries on left side and his reply on right side. This must be done within 10 days.

3. 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

4. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

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R/o Aman Nagar, St.No.3,

Backside Green Land School,

Near Jalandhar Bye Pass,

Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Municipal Corporation,

Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 119 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jagjit Singh (Appellant) – 9914248131

Davinder Singh (for the Respondent) – 9855824996

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 4.3.2020, vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding his Complaint to the Commissioner MC vide postal receipt No. EP577230216IN dated 4.11.2019**, 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 **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A, stated that a reply was sent to the appellant vide letter No.95 dated 15.9.2020. An examination of the respondent's reply, shows that it does not adequately address the queries in the RTI application. The respondent PIO is directed to submit a fresh pointwise reply, which is tabulated with the appellant's queries on left side and the respondent's replies on the right side. The reply must be accompanied by whatever information exists on record. All copies supplied must be duly attested as per format given under. This must be done within the next 10 days, failing which penal action could be initiated as per RTI Act.

3. 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

4. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Ludhiana.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 130 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jagjit Singh (Appellant) – 9914248131
Randhir Singh (for the Respondent) - 8999069000

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **17.7..2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Gulati Handlooms, Chandigarh Road, Near Shiv Mandir, in 14 points,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **10.9.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Randhir Singh, Building Inspector from Zone-B has requested an additional 10 days time claiming that the file pertaining to matter cited in the RTI application is part of another enquiry and has been sent to Senior officers. This Commission however, notes that this RTI application has been pending without any reply since 17.7.2020. This is unacceptable and the respondent is given 10 days working days to retrieve the said file and make 2 copies of entire file. One copy to the appellant and the second copy to this Commission after duly attesting each and every page as per format given under. Non compliance will invite penalties as per RTI act 2005.

3. 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

4. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh:

Dated: 9.4.2021

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Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

o/o Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 132 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Jagjit Singh (Appellant) – 9914248131

Davinder Singh (for the Respondent) – 9855824996

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **27.12.2019** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Copy of Letter No.1072 dated 4.6.19, in Four points**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **28.1.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A has come unprepared regarding this case. He is given 10 days time to furnish a written reply to each point of this RTI application alongwith the requested information, which was must be attested as per format given under. One copy to be sent to the appellant and second is to be submitted to this Commission.

3. 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

4. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

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Chamber No.1011,

District Court Complex,

Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust,

Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

Ludhiana Improvement Trust ,

Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 93 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harjot Singh (Appellant) – 9815000231

Rama Shankar, Clerk(for the Respondent) – 7973499545

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 13.8.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding his family land that was taken up by the 256 Acre Scheme – Maharishi Balmiki Nagar vide an Award dated 27.4.1981**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.9.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both the parties are present through Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO, represented by Rama Shankar, Clerk has sought some more time to furnish the requested information. He is herewith granted one month from today to supply the information pertaining to this RTI application. This must be pointwise and all copies must be attested in the format given under. Failure to comply will invite penal action as per RTI act 2005.

3. 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

4. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

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Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust ,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 94 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harjot Singh (Appellant) – 9815000231
Rama Shankar, Clerk (for the Respondent) – 7973499545

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 13.8.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Resolution No.199 dated 10.12.2019 and related documents**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **4.9.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both the parties are present through Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO, represented by Rama Shankar, Clerk has failed to submit any reply to this RTI application which was submitted to him on 13.8.2020. He is granted a period of one month from today to supply the complete file pertaining to the resolution cited in the RTI application to the appellant with a copy to this Commission. Every page must be attested as per format given under. Failure to comply, will invite penalties as per RTI act 2005.

3. 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

4. **Next hearing on 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.**

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

Chandigarh:
Dated: 9.4.2021

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Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust,

Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Ludhiana Improvement Trust ,

Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 96 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Harjot Singh (Appellant) – 9815000231

Rama Shankar, Clerk (for the Respondent) – 7973499545

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 13.8.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Orient Cinema in Ludhiana by way of the complete file etc.**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **2.9.2020** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.12.2020** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice to the parties issued for first hearing in the Commission on 9.4.2021.

2. Both the parties are present through Video Conference Facility from Ludhiana. The respondent PIO, represented by Rama Shankar, Clerk, failed to submit any reply to the RTI application filed on 13.8.2020. He submitted that the present owner of the Cinema cited in this RTI application has objected to the release any information pertaining to said site claiming it as "personal information". However, in this RTI application, the appellant has sought information regarding the aforesaid Cinema Hall from the date of its original allotment, which was many years before the present owners took possession of the same. The appellant voiced apprehensions that there have been considerable wrongdoings and corruption resulting in losses to the Ludhiana Improvement Trust.

3. This Commission is of the view that disclosure of the requested information is in the larger public interest. The respondent is given one month time from today to submit a copy of the complete file pertaining to the Cinema Hall cited in this RTI application from the date of its original allotment.

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 12.8.2021 at 11.00 am through Video Conference Facility at D.C. Office, Ludhiana.

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

9.4.2021