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FINAL ORDER

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. 3 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia(for the appellant)9888490031.

Satish Kumar, Superintendent(for the respondent) 9780481400

Davinder Singh, Draftsman(for the respondent)9855824996.

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **25.9.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Complaint No 2107-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 appellant is represented by his father Amarjeet Singh Dhamotia. The respondent PIO, represented by Satish Kumar, Superintendent from House Tax Branch and Davinder Singh, Draftsman from Zone-A. have stated that a reply was sent to the appellant vide letter No.135/PIO-A/RTI-D dated 25.11.2020 by registered post as well as vide letter No.55/PIO-A/RTI-D dated 25.3.2020, wherein the appellant has been informed that the complaint cited in the RTI application is still under process and therefore information cannot be given as per section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act. In his reply, the PIO has also cited earlier Supreme Court orders to contend that the appellant is not serving any larger public interest in seeking the information. Under the circumstances, this Commission upholds the respondent PIO's decision to withhold the information under section 8(1)(h) of the RTI Act, 2005.

3. There is no further cause for action and this appeal case is herewith CLOSED.

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

Dated: 9.4.2021