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Sh. Bawa Bhulinder Singh,
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Near Gurudwara Khoo Bhai Manj Sahib,
Amritsar.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 3751 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **20.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding unauthorized building near fitness 24, Chheharta Road**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.
2. Both parties are absent. The case is adjourned.
3. **Next Hearing on 20.3.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
Chandigarh
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O/o Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.
First Appellate Authority,
Commissioner,
Municipal Corporation,
Amritsar.

Appeal Case No. 3752 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **20.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding unauthorized building near Amarjoti School near main Chheharta Road**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. Both parties are absent. The case is adjourned.

3. **Next Hearing on 20.3.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 3753 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **20.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Sh. Hardeep Singh-PCS, Additional Commissioner, MC, Amritsar**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. Both parties are absent. The case is adjourned.

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Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 3754 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **20.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding unauthorized building near Veer Punjab Transport back side SBI Town Hall, Amrtisar,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. Both parties are absent. The case is adjourned.

3. **Next Hearing on 20.3.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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Amritsar.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 3755 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **20.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding unauthorized building front of Khalsa College, main Chheharta road,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. Both parties are absent. The case is adjourned.

3. **Next Hearing on 20.3.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 3766 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **20.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding unauthorized building near Vishal Megha Mart, Sandhu Colony, Chheharta Road,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. Both parties are absent. The case is adjourned.

3. **Next Hearing on 20.3.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
Chandigarh
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Amritsar.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 3767 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **20.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding unauthorized building near Ohri Hospital Chheharta Road**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **7.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. Both parties are absent. The case is adjourned.

3. **Next Hearing on 20.3.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 3768 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **13.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding ATP, Sh. Vazir Raj, MC, Amritsar**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **23.3.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. Both parties are absent. The case is adjourned.

3. **Next Hearing on 20.3.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
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SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Ms Kamaldeep Kaur,
W/o Sh Ajay Pal Singh,
Village Gumtala, Near Government Dispensary,
Amritsar.

Versus

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

Appeal Case No. 3809 of 2023

PRESENT:

Kamaldeep Kaur (Appellant) 98721-39640
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **23.11.2020** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the contract was allotted to the company that manufactured the 16000 smart cards under the street vendors Act,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.5.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. This case was first filed to the Commission under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 and was remanded back to the First Appellate Authority by State Information Commissioner Lt. Gen. Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd.) vide his Order of 17.5.2023.

3. As per the appellant, the First Appellate Authority did not hear the case despite the Commission's direction. The appellant also states that the PIO has still not provided a reply to this RTI application or the information requested therein. Notably, the RTI application was submitted on 23.11.2020. The appellant also states that she has no longer wishes to obtain the information but wants from the PIO to refund the RTI fees of Rs. 10.00, which was paid by her by way of postal order.

4. In view of the inordinate delay in addressing this RTI application, the Commission deems it appropriate to issue this Show Cause Notice to the PIO office of Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

5. The respondent **PIO office of Municipal Corporation, Amritsar**, 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 **23.11.2020**. **If there is / are other PIO / PIOs responsible for the delay in providing the information, the incumbent PIO is directed to inform such PIO(s) of the Show Cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with written replies.**

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Appeal Case No. 3809 of 2023

“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.

6. The PIO is further directed to attend the next Hearing of this Appeal Case in person at the Commission in Chandigarh. Failure to comply, will compel the Commission to ensure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

7. **Next Hearing on 21.3.2024 at 11.00 AM.** (The appellant will attend the Hearing via Video conference from the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Amritsar and the respondent PIO will attend the Hearing at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
Chandigarh
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Cc: Commissioner, MC, Amritsar, for further necessary action.

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Sh. Sanjeev Manhas,
Village Nihalpur,
Tehsil & District Pathankot.

Versus

Public Information Officer
o/o Water Supply and Sanitation Department,
Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,
Executive Engineer,
Water Supply and Sanitation Department,
Pathankot.

Appeal Case No. 3788 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Dhiraj Singh, JE (for the Respondent) 83689-16797

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **17.3.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding tube well / Bore well / water supply installed by the Department of Water Supply and Sanitation, Pathankot**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Dhiraj Singh, JE from the Sewerage Board, to whom this RTI application was transferred under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005, states that the information sought in this RTI application does not pertain to the Sewerage Board. It is in fact related to the Department of Water Supply and Sanitation, Pathankot.

3. This RTI application, submitted online on 17.3.2023 to the office of Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot, was dealt with by Sh. Arvinder Pal Singh, SDM, who wrongly transferred to the PIO, Sewerage Board, Pathankot. The PIO, Sewerage Board, Pathankot is accordingly directed to transfer this RTI application under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005, to the concerned PIO of the Water Supply and Sanitation Department, Pathankot. This must be done forthwith.

4. **Next Hearing on 28.2.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
Chandigarh
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Sh. Surinder Kumar,
S/o Sh Bhagwaan Dass,
Ward No-8, Fatehgarh Churian,
Tehsil Batala, District Gurdaspur.

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Sub Divisional Officer,
Punjab State Electricity Board,
Fatehgarh Churian, District Gurdaspur.
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Executive Engineer,
Punjab State Electricity Board,
Batala, District Gurdaspur.

Appeal Case No. 3759 of 2023

PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
Gurpreet Singh, LDC (for the Respondent) 73476-97780

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **1.8.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding 11 KV power lines are passing over land, issuing a electricity connection**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **31.12.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.
2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Gurpreet Singh, LDC, has submitted copies of two replies sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 1287 Dated 12.9.2022 and Letter No. 2789 Dated 12.12.2023, along with a copy of the *Electricity Supply Instructions Manual*, regarding the electricity connections under HT / EHT Lines.
3. Aforesaid replies adequately address this RTI application. However, in view of the appellant's absence at today's Hearing, he is given one opportunity to be heard at the next Hearing of this Appeal Case in person at the Commission in Chandigarh.
4. **Next Hearing on 28.2.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
Chandigarh
13.12.2023

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Sh. Vinay Kumar,
S/o Sh. Subhash Chander,
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Jalalabad (West), District Fazilka.

Versus

Public Information Officer-cum-
Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Guruharshai, District Ferozepur.
First Appellate Authority,
District Development & Panchayat Officer,
Ferozepur.

Appeal Case No. 3778 of 2023

PRESENT:

Vinay Kumar (Appellant) 97792-97666
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.10.2023)

1. The RTI application is dated **11.3.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding salary from March, 2012 to February, 2023**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **12.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **18.10.2023**.

2. The appellant is present in person and travelled all the way from Jalalabad to attend this Hearing. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Guruharshai, is absent. This is despite the Show Cause Notice issued to him vide this Commission's Order of 18.10.2023, wherein he was warned that failure to be present in person at today's Hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.

3. Order Reserved.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
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Sh. Pardeep Kumar,

S/o Sh. Chiman Lal,

Bagha Bazar, 1497, Near Kalra Medical Hall,
Jalalawad (West), District Fazilka.

Versus

Public Information Officer-cum-

Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Guruharshai, District Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

District Development & Panchayat Officer,
Ferozepur.

Appeal Case No. 3740 of 2023

PRESENT:

Pardeep Kumar (Appellant) 987230-5441
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.10.2023)

1. The RTI application is dated **11.3.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding salary and Form 16 from March, 2012 to February, 2013**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **18.10.2023**.

2. The appellant is present in person and travelled all the way from Jalalabad to attend this Hearing. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Guruharshai, is absent. This is despite the Show Cause Notice issued to him vide this Commission's Order of 18.10.2023, wherein he was warned that failure to be present in person at today's Hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.

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Versus

Public Information Officer-cum-
Block Development & Panchayat Officer,
Guruharshai, District Ferozepur.
First Appellate Authority,
District Development & Panchayat Officer,
Ferozepur.

Appeal Case No. 3739 of 2023

PRESENT:

Pardeep Kumar (Appellant) 99145-48500
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 18.10.2023)

1. The RTI application is dated **11.3.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding his salary and Form 16 for the period from March, 2012 to February, 2013**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.4.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **8.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **18.10.2023**.

2. The appellant is present in person and travelled all the way from Jalalabad to attend this Hearing. The respondent PIO-cum-BDPO, Guruharshai, is absent. This is despite the Show Cause Notice issued to him vide this Commission's Order of 18.10.2023, wherein he was warned that failure to be present in person at today's Hearing, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of **Bailable Warrant**.

3. Order Reserved.

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.
Chandigarh
13.12.2023

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SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

Sh. Hargunjeet Singh,
S/o Sh Daljit Singh,
R/o MIG-317, Phase-3, Urban Estate,
Dugri, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Chief Administrator,
Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority,
Ludhiana.
First Appellate Authority,
Chief Administrator,
Greater Ludhiana Area Development Authority,
Ludhiana.

Appeal Case No. 3765 of 2023

PRESENT:

Hargunjeet Singh (Appellant) 98150-33790
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **27.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding illegally occupied flats**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **5.5.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. This RTI application was submitted on 27.2.2023, since then there is no reply or information provided by the respondent PIO. The Commission deems it appropriate to issue this Show Cause Notice to the PIO office of Chief Administrator, GLADA.

3. The respondent **PIO office of Chief Administrator, GLADA, Ludhiana**, 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 **27.2.2023**. **If there is / are other PIO / PIOs responsible for the delay in providing the information, the incumbent PIO is directed to inform such PIO(s) of the Show Cause and direct them to appear before the Commission along with written replies.**

“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. The PIO is further directed to attend the next Hearing of this Appeal Case in person at the Commission in Chandigarh. Failure to comply, will compel the Commission to secure his presence through service of a **Bailable Warrant**.

5. **Next Hearing on 6.3.2023 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

13.12.2023

Cc: Chief Administrator, PUDA, Mohali, for further necessary action.

[Note: The appellant / complainant can attend the Hearing in person at the Commission / video conferencing from the office of the Deputy Commissioner of the concerned District or Cisco Webex. The Cisco Webex number of this Bench is 25115873176 and password is 12345. The appellant / complainant is advised to intimate the Commission regarding the mode of Hearing, at least three weeks before the Hearing.]

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Sh . Rajwinder Singh,
S/o Sh Sohan Singh,
Post Office Pathrei Jattan, Village Barha,
Teshil & District Roopnagar.

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Chief Engineer(Tech),
Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,
Patiala.
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Chairman,
Punjab State Power Corporation Limited,
Patiala.

Appeal Case No. 3746 of 2023

PRESENT:
(Appellant) Absent
Dhiraj Pal, Senior XEN (for the Respondent) 96461-10155

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **26.1.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding action taken on complaint dated 23.6.2021**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **13.12.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **9.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Dhiraj Pal, Senior XEN, states that a reply was first sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 2387 Dated 20.9.2023, wherein he was informed that the enquiry cited in the RTI application is still under investigation. A second reply sent vide Letter No. 3517 Dated 10.10.2023, whereby the information was provided to the appellant after redaction as per Section 10 of the RTI Act, 2005. Some of the information like copies of charge sheets issued to employees who were found guilty in the said enquiry, was withheld as per Section 8(1)(j) and 11 of the RTI Act, 2005.

3. The Commission has examined the reply and also viewed the original record, which presented at this Hearing. The PIO's reply adequately addresses this RTI application. The appellant Sh. Rajwinder Singh, is given one opportunity to be heard in person at the next Hearing of this Appeal Case.

4. **Next Hearing on 28.2.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-
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Chandigarh
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Sh. Trilochan Singh,
S/o Late Sh Gurbachan Singh,
R/o 848-A, MIG, Jamalpur,
Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Chief Vigilance Officer,
Local Body Department,
Sector-35-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,

Chief Vigilance Officer,
Local Body Department,
Sector-35-A, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 3841 of 2023

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Navdeep Sharma, APIO-cum-Vigilance Officer (for the Respondent) 98722-75252

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **13.2.2023** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding a complaint against a Building Inspector**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **29.3.2023** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **13.6.2023** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first Hearing in the Commission on **13.12.2023**.

2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO, represented by Sh. Navdeep Sharma, API-cum-Vigilance Officer, has submitted a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing vide Letter No. 3516 Dated 14.8.2023, wherein he states that a reply was first sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 1202 Dated 17.3.2023, informing him that the complaint was still under process. Thereafter the said complaint was marked to the Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, vide Letter No. 3034 Dated 17.7.2023, with a direction to institute an enquiry and initiate action at his / her level. A copy of aforesaid reply to the Commissioner and the copy of the letter to the Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana, have also been sent to the appellant Sh. Trilochan Singh.

3. Both these aforesaid replies adequately address as the RTI application. The appellant is given one opportunity to be heard in person at the next Hearing of this Appeal Case in person at the Commission in Chandigarh.

4. **Next Hearing on 6.3.2024 at 11.00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-

(ASIT JOLLY)

State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh

13.12.2023