Order Sheet
PUNJAB INFORMATION COMMISSION
File No: 2-218-6-20

Ahmad Qamar Khan

Vs

CO Municipal Committee Jampur

Subject: **Complaint Regarding Non-Provision of Information under the Punjab Transparency and Right to Information Act 2013**

10.09.2020 None present.

2. In this case the appellant is struggling to get certified copies of "Advices for Payments" from CO MC Jampur for the period of june 2019 to may 2020. As per office report previously the orders of the Commisssion were conveyed to CO MC Jampur not only through post and whatsapp but also verbally through telephonic contact. He during the month of Muharram sought an opportunity due to his over accupation but thereafter left to pick telephonic calls from Commission and became totally non responsive. It is unfortunate that information was neither provided directly to the appelllant within 14 working days after filing of RTI Application nor on repeated orders of the Commisssion.

3. Under RTI Act 2013 a public body is under obligation to provide information within 14 working days whereas in the case at hand almost 100 days have elapsed but the appellant is yet to get information. In this view of matter It has become a serious matter due to stuborness of CO MC jampur requiring to invoke the penality caluse of RTI Act 2013.

4. In view of above Commisssion has no option but to award penality of Rs. 25,000/- to CO MC Jampur u/s 15 of RTI Act, 2013 for his utter disregard of RTI Law. District Accounts Officer District Jampur is directed to forefeit Rs. 25,000 from the salary of CO MC Jampur and to forward compliance report before next date of hearing.

5. Since CO MC Jampur has failed to perform his statutory obligation under RTI Act 2013 therefore Administrator MC Jampur (AC Jampur) shall hence forth be treated as PIO for the purpose of this appeal under Rule 3 (4) of RTI Rules 2014. The said rule shifts the responsibility from PIO to HOD in case PIO fails to perform his functions. Consequently copy of this order be forwarded through registered post to Administrator/ AC Jampur to ensure forwarding of certified copies of requisite information vide copy of RTI Application enclosed herewith at given addresss of appellant within 3 days of receipt of this order, failing which he will also be considered for award of penality.

6. To be put up on 29.09.2020 for submission of compliance report.

(Hassan Iqbal)
Information Commissioner

(Mahboob Qadir Shah)
Chief Information Commissioner

Dealing Assistant "Ammara Aseer"

28.9.20.

Complainant states that he also went to the office of CO, but didn't get any info yet. CO Administrated was contacted on phone. They didn't receive.

29.9.20.

- AC was contacted on telephone. (9:30am) He states that he has joined 2 weeks ago, further he requested to send copy of order on whatsapp. Order sent him through whatsapp.
- written Intimation from complainant recieved.