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BEFORE THE HON'BLE STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION, UTTAR PRADESH

Hearing Room: S-9 | **Presiding Officer:** Smt. Shakuntala Gautam **Appeal No:** S09/A/1383/2025 **Registration No:** A-20250600374

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In the Matter of:

Yogi M. P. Singh (Appellant) **Vs. Public Information Officer (PIO), Nagar Vikas Vibhag, Section-6, Lucknow** (Respondent)

1. SUBJECT: REJECTION OF MISDIRECTION AND DEMAND FOR ACCOUNTABILITY

This representation is submitted to formally object to the PIO's continued attempts to evade accountability through "jurisdictional ping-pong" and to highlight the gross violation of the RTI Act, 2005.

2. CHRONOLOGY OF STATUTORY DEFAULTS

The Respondent has exhibited a persistent "malafide intent" to withhold information through the following delays:

- **Original RTI Filed:** 02/02/2025.

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- **Statutory Deadline Missed:** The PIO failed to act by 04/03/2025, violating Section 7(1) of the RTI Act.
 - **First Appeal Ignored:** Filed on 20/03/2025; the First Appellate Authority (FAA) failed to pass any order, violating Section 19(1).
 - **Illegal Transfer:** The RTI was transferred under Section 6(3) to Mirzapur on 29/08/2025—**177 days (nearly 6 months) late.**

3. JURISDICTIONAL ARGUMENT: LUCKNOW AS THE SOLE CUSTODIAN

The Appellant vehemently objects to the transfer of this RTI to the District Level (Mirzapur) for the following reasons:

- **State-Level Decision:** The Municipality Board of Mirzapur passed a resolution to **cancel** the Lions Club lease. It was the **State Government (Nagar Vikas Vibhag, Lucknow)** that unilaterally overruled this local body to extend the lease for 30 years.
- **Location of Records:** Since the decision to "overrule" was a high-level administrative act by the State, the original file notings, ministerial approvals, and rationales are held **only** at the Lucknow Secretariat (Section-6).
- **Subordinate Limitation:** A district-level office cannot explain the rationale behind a State-level policy decision that superseded its own proposal.

4. CORE ALLEGATIONS OF CORRUPTION

The requested information is of high public interest as it concerns:

- **Financial Irregularity:** Public land worth millions of rupees has been leased to a private entity (Lions Club) for a nominal, non-commercial rate of **₹50 per annum**.
- **Breach of Terms:** The land was meant for a public children's garden, which was never developed; instead, unauthorized commercial activities are being conducted.

5. FINAL PRAYER TO THE COMMISSION

The Appellant respectfully requests the Hon'ble Commission to:

1. **Quash the Transfer:** Treat the transfer to Mirzapur as null and void, as it is a tactical manoeuvre to hide information.
2. **Order Direct Disclosure:** Compel the PIO, Nagar Vikas Vibhag, Section-6, Lucknow, to provide all **5 points** of information, including original file notings, within 3 days.
3. **Impose Penalties:** Impose the maximum statutory penalty under **Section 20(1)** on the PIO for the 177-day delay and recommend disciplinary action against the FAA under **Section 20(2)**.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Yogi M. P. Singh (Appellant) **Date:** April 7, 2026, Mobile Number: 7379105911



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