

# **Pakistan Information Commission**

## **Government of Pakistan**

(Camp Office, Lahore)

### **Order**

**Appeal No: E378-02/23**

**Shahbaz Thakur**

**Vs**

**GEPCO**

Date:

May 22, 2023

Appellant present in person. None appeared on behalf of respondent / public body, in spite of the fact that notice was issued to CEO, GEPCO with the directions to ensure representation of any responsible officer before the Commission. It is noted that on March 02, 2023 Mr. Muhammad Khalid, Senior Counsel, GEPCO was present and on his request, proceedings were adjourned for furnishing the required information. In view of the above, when hearing of the case is in the knowledge of the respondent, neither any counsel nor any official bothered to appear before the Commission today therefore, ex-parte proceedings are recorded against the respondent.

2. The appellant moved an application dated 12-10-2022 to XEN City Division 1, Gujranwala Electric Supply Company for the supply of following information;

“ Zubair Kambo, SDO along with Asghar LS has declared 11KV lines passing through a private housing Scheme namely Jinnah Town, Shahab Road as Hazard Location. Certified copy of the

completed estimate and map passed and work permit of the said project is required.”

3. The request of the appellant was not responded by the public body whereupon the appellant through an email dated 30-01-2023 filed appeal before the commission.

4. None of the information requested by the appellant enjoys exemption under the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017.

5. Said information is to be proactively published by the public body as required under section 5 of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017. The appellant being citizen of Pakistan has the fundamental right to have the information from public body. Therefore, the appeal is allowed, and the public body is directed to share all the requested information with the appellant within 10 working days of the receipt of this order.

6. Copy of the order be shared with the appellant and Chief Executive Officer, Gujranwala Electric Supply Company.

7. Adjourned for submission of compliance report on July 13, 2023.

**Shoaib Ahmed Siddiqui**  
Chief Information Commissioner

**Ijaz Hassan Awan**  
Information Commissioner