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Shri Tejinder Singh, Advocate, Civil Court, Tehsil Complex, Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o MC, Majitha, Distt:Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority O/o ADC(Urban Development), Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No. 1007 of 2023

Present: i) Shri Tejinder Singh - Appellant - in person

ii) Shri Rajesh Kumar, Junior Assistant O/o MC Majitha for the Respondent – in person

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 19.06.2023 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. As per appellant, he has not been provided any information so far.
- 3. As per respondent, they have not received the RTI application. The appellant shows a document vide which the First Appellate Authority called the appellant twice and the PIO also appeared before the First Appellate Authority whereas the respondent denies having received the RTI application. The appellant further states that the RTI application is also being enclosed/sent with the notice issued by the Commission to concerned parties for the hearing.
- 4. The PIO is absent despite issue of bailable warrants and preferred to send junior employee who is not aware of the facts of the case. The PIO has also not filed reply to the show cause notice issued during previous hearing on 24.04.2023 The PIO has not only shown utter disregard for the Commission's repeated orders to provide the information but has shown willful stubbornness in not appearing before the commission despite various orders of the Commission.

The PIO is given another opportunity to appear in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing along with reply to the show cause notice and bring complete record to the Commission relating to this RTI application.

5. With the aforesaid directions, the **matter is adjourned**. Since I am demitting the office on 4th August 2023 and I am left with little time to hear the case further, this case file is sent to the Deputy Registrar to place this case file before the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner for re-allocation of the instant appeal case.

Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Chandigarh 17.07.2023