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Sh. Lajpat Rai, S/o Sh. Harbans Lal,
H No-B-3/287, Romana Street,
Jaito, Distt Faridkot.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o EO, MC,
Kotakpura.

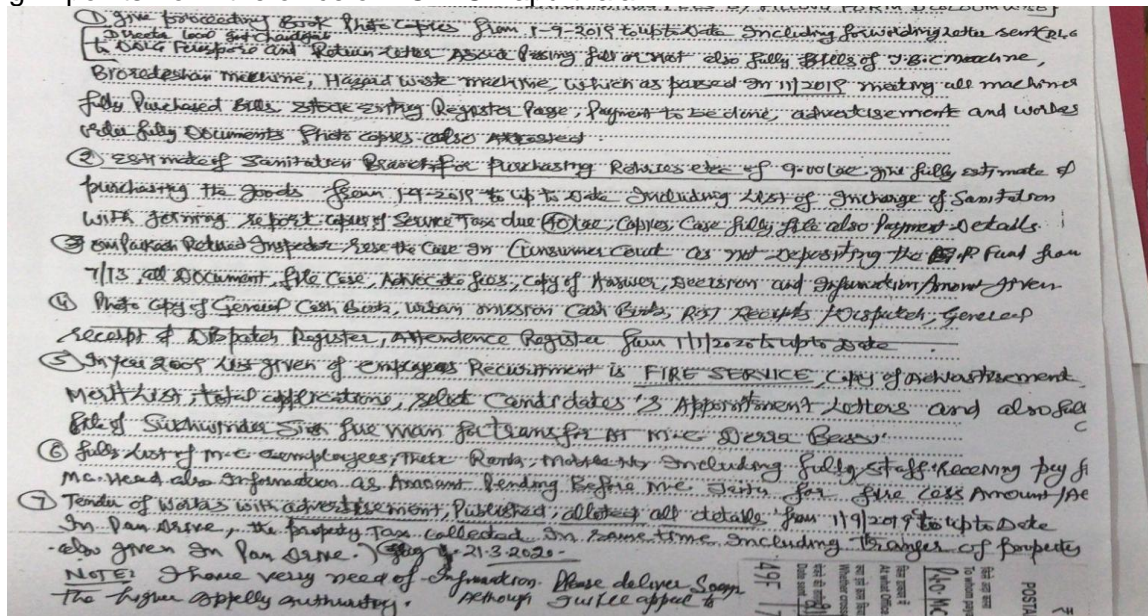
First Appellate Authority,
O/o Deputy Director,
Urban Local Bodies,
Ferozepur Cantt.

... Respondent

Appeal Case No. 1191 of 2021

ORDER:

The appellant through RTI application dated 21.03.2020 has sought information on following 7 points from the office of EO-MC Kapurthala.



The appellant was not provided with the information after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 24.12.2020 which took no decision on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing on 19.07.2021 through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not provided the information.

The respondent present pleaded that since the information sought by the appellant is voluminous, the appellant be asked to inspect the record and get the relevant information. The respondent further informed that the RTI application is also not legible.

Hearing both parties, the appellant was directed to send a legible application that is typed to the PIO, with a copy to the Commission. The PIO was directed to go through the RTI application and provide all information that is easily accessible and which is permissible under the RTI Act. The PIO was directed to reply to each point of the RTI application separately.

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On the date of the hearing on **18.11.2021**, due to a technical problem in the VC at DAC Faridkot, the hearing could not take place.

On the date of the hearing on 22.03.2022, the appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent. The case was adjourned.

On the date of last hearing on **10.08.2022**, both the parties were absent. The PIO had not complied the order of the Commission to provide the accessible and permissible information. There has been an enormous delay in providing the information. The PIO was issued a **Show Cause notice under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 and directed to file reply on an affidavit**. The PIO was again directed to provide the information to the appellant within 15 days of the receipt of this order.

Hearing dated 02.11.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Faridkot. Due to a technical problem in VC, the hearing could not take place.

The case is adjourned. To come up for further hearing on **22.02.2023 at 11.00 AM** through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy Commissioner, Faridkot.

Chandigarh
Dated : 02.11.2022

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commission