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Shri Ajay Nand/Ajay Kumar Mehta, S/o Late Shri Nand Kishore, C-118, East Mohan Nagar, Chamrang Road, Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Principal Secretary, Energy Deptt., Punjab, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Chief Minister. Punjab, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No. 4404 of 2022

- Present: Appellant- absent. (i)
 - Er. Varun Prasher, SDO, Industrial/Commercial Division, PSPCL, Amritsar, (ii) on behalf of PIO/Respondent-cisco webex.

ORDER:

- The RTI application is dated 27.12.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 03.02.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 20.09.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 16.11.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Ajay Nand/Ajay Kumar Mehta, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex. He has sent an e.mail stating that due to some urgent work, he is unable to attend the hearing and has sought adjournment.
- 3. Shri Varun Bansal, SDO, Industrial/Commercial Division, PSPCL, Amritsar comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that RTI application transferred by the CM Office under Section 6(3), has been received only three days back. He further states that the information has been supplied to the appellant vide letter 11.11.2022.

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- 4. The appellant is contacted on mobile phone. He is apprised of the reply of PIO to both the points. He is not satisfied with the reply to point No.2. On the asking of the Bench, the respondent states that the matter regarding point No.2 is not within the jurisdiction of their office. The appellant also seeks some time to go through the information supplied and revert back to the PIO.
- 5. The Bench advises the appellant to point out deficiencies to the PIO and the PIO is directed to provide rectified information, after removal of deficiencies received, if any, before the next date of hearing.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 12.12.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 16.11.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma(Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab