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Helpline No.0172-2864100(From 10.00 AM to 04.00 PM on working days) Shri Pawan Kumar Verma, S/o Late Shri Baldev Rai.

R/o .No. 347/A, Surya Enclave Near Ekta Nagar Railway Fatak, Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Tehsildar. Jalandhar-1

First Appellate Authority O/o SDM,

Jalandhar-1.

....Respondents

AC No. 1202 of 2023

Present: i) Shri Pawan Kumar Verma - Appellant - in person

> ii) Shri Rupinder Singh Bal, Tehsildar Jalandhar-1-cum-PIO, Shri Amrik Chand, Clerk and Shri Pawan Sharma, RTI Clerk O/o Tehsildar, Jalandhar-1 - in person

ORDER:

- This order may be read with reference to the order dated 29.05.2023 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. As per respondents, the information being personal information of an employee has not been provided and reply to this effect has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 18.10.2022 with a copy to the Commission.
- The appellant is not satisfied with the response of the PIO and states he has asked for information relating to posting and details of court cases and that despite directions of First Appellate Authority, the PIO has not supplied the information.
- Having gone through the RTI application, copy of reply available in the file and hearing both the parties, the Bench finds that the reply of the PIO is evasive and misleading. The PIO is directed to re-examine the RTI application and provide point-wise information/reply to the appellant before the next hearing. The PIO is directed to call the appellant to his office on any working day and allow him access to the official records. After inspection of records by the appellant, the information as is identified by the appellant be provided to him duly attested by the PIO before the next hearing.
- The appellant is advised to contact Shri Rupinder Singh Bal, Tehsildar Jalandhar-1 Mobile No.9417300001 prior to visiting for inspection of records. The PIO is directed to ensure that official records related to RTI application of the appellant are presented for examination and documents as identified are given duly attested by the PIO. The PIO is also directed to come present in person before the Bench to attend the next hearing.
- 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 19.07.2023