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Appellant

Sh. Paramjit Singh(9872445572)

S/o Sh. Bakshish Singh, H.No.2126, Street No.2, Purana Jawahar Nagar, Mehta Road, Amritsar

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o ADGP (Jails), Pb., Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADGP (Jails), Pb., Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1324 of 2023 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Paramjit Singh

Respondent: Absent

ORDER

Date: 4.7.2023

- 1. The application dated 4.12.2022 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 7.11.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 8.02.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for 4.7.2023 through CISCO WEBEX application.
- 2. In today's hearing, appellant states that sufficient time has elapsed but the sought for information is still to receive.
- 3. The respondent is absent in spite of registered post notice issued to him by the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case.
- 4. After hearing the appellant and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to supply the sought for information immediately after receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission, failing which stern action will be initiated against him.
- 5. Appellant is advised to point out discrepancy, if any, in writing, within seven days to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission once he had received the requisite information, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned for further hearing on **09.08.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties.(Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 25145855727, password: 12345).

(Anumit Singh Sodhi) State Information Commissioner Punjab