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Shri Parwinder Singh, (8699660040)

S/o Shri Baldev Singh,
Village Jakhaln, Tehsil Dhuri,
District Sangrur – 148024

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,
Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Additional Deputy Commissioner
(Development),
Sangrur.

...Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5137 OF 2022 **(Cisco Webex Proceedings)**

PRESENT:

Shri Parwinder Singh, Appellant.

Shri Naresh Kumar Garg, Panchayat Secretary for the Respondents (98550 06625)

ORDER (FIRST HEARING):

1. The RTI application is dated 10.08.2022 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 23.06.2022 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.10.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 08.05.2023.
2. The Appellant states that he has received complete information to his satisfaction but after the lapse of more than 8 months period. He also apprises the Bench that Rs. 5000/- was demanded from him as documentation fee after three months which he deposited with the PIO in the month of December, 2022, whereas his RTI application is of August, 2022 and further that, he has been given receipt for only Rs.1200/- for the supply of about 600 pages.
3. In view of version of the appellant, the Bench observes that though the information has been supplied by the PIO to the appellant but the documentation fee was not demanded within the stipulated period from the appellant. As such, the information was required to be supplied to the appellant free of cost.

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4. Since the PIO is absent, he is contacted on his mobile number. He is apprised of the contention of appellant regarding demand of fee after the stipulated period and on enquiring from the PIO, he states that complete information has been supplied to the appellant and the amount of Rs. 5000/- has also been given back to the appellant by hand. On the asking of the Bench, the appellant also confirms the receipt of amount of Rs. 5000/-.
5. In view of the above, the Bench does not feel need for further intervention in this Appeal case.
Hence the case is **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Chandigarh
16.05.2023

Sd/-
(Maninder Singh Patti)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab