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Pawan Kumar Verma,

S/o Late Sh. Baldev Raj, # 347-A, Surya Enclave, Near Ekta Nagar Railway Crossing, Jalandhar.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Tehsildar, Jalandhar-2. First Appellate Authority, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Jalandhar-2.

Appeal Case No. 1719 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: Pawan Kumar Verma (Appellant) Parveen Kumar Chibber, PIO-cum-Tehsildar, Jalandhar (Respondent) 98765-02614

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 15.9.2022 and 18.11.2022)

1. The RTI application is dated **11.11.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding action taken on a letter from the Income Tax officer No. ITO/TDS/2017-18/391 dated 16.4.2017, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **27.12.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **7.4.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **18.11.2022**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO-cum-Tehsildar, has submitted a copy of a reply sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 1052 Dated 1.2.2023, with 214 pages by way of information. The appellant, however says that the specific information sought by him in the RTI application is deliberately being denied as "missing". The appellant claims that the "missing" document is file noting by the then SDM with a direction that 3 employees of the Tehsil Office be charge-sheeted. The PIO, however, insist that there is no such noting in the file/file available in his office. The PIO is hereby directed to bring the original file pertaining to this RTI application to the Commission in the next hearing. Both parties to attend the next hearing in person at Chandigarh.

3. <u>Next hearing on 21.2.2023 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red</u> <u>Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.</u>

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY) State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 2.2.2023