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Sh Bitu, S/o Sh Om Kumar, Village Bholapur Jhabewal, P.O Sahibana, Distt Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o SDM,

Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority

O/o SDM,

Sri Mukatsar Sahib.

....Respondents

AC No. 1936 of 2023
Present: i) Appellant – Absent

ii) Shri Gurpreet Singh, Motor Transport Clerk O/o SDM Sri Mukatsar Sahib for the PIO

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 19.12.2022 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 20.01.2023 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.03.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

- 2. The case has been heard today. As per respondent, the information sought by the appellant is third party information, it cannot be provided and the reply to this effect has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 12.01.2023.
- 3. The appellant is absent nor is represented.
- 4. Having gone through the RTI application, the Bench finds that the reply of the PIO is not acceptable since the appellant has sought information regarding reassignment cases of outstation vehicles. The PIO is directed to relook into the RTI application again and provide information to the appellant relating to point-1. Regarding information relating to point-2, the PIO to apply section 10 and provide information by severing the undisclosable information. The information be provided before the next hearing. The PIO is directed to come present in person before the Bench to attend the next hearing. The appellant is also directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next date of hearing failing which the Commission may be constrained to decide the case based on the documents available on file.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 20.07.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 07.06.2023 Sd/(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner