



Sh. Kunal Sehgal, (9915412163)
S/o Sh. Ajay Sehgal,
R/o 339, Chotti Baradari, Part - 1,
Near Medical College Jalandhar - 144001

.....Appellant/Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o Asst. Inspector General of Police (Security) Punjab,
Sector - 9, Chandigarh.

.....Respondent

First Appellate Authority
O/o Asst. Inspector General of Police (Security) Punjab,
Sector - 9, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No.92 of 2021

RTI application filed on : 13-08-2020
PIO replied on : 14-08-2020
First appeal filed on : 24-09-2020
First Appellate Authority order : 13-10-2020

Present: Appellant: Absent
Respondent: Sh. Sarabjit Singh (DSP, APIO), 9501300146

ORDER :

Facts emerging during the hearing:

1. This order may be read with the reference of previous hearing of the Commission dated 31.08.2022 vide which " the appellant was absent and the Commission granted a last & final opportunity to the appellant to represent this case on next date of hearing falling to which the case will be decided on merits" .
2. Repeated opportunities were given to the appellant to appear and to represent his case before the Commission. However, the appellant preferred to remain absent continuously during the last three hearings i.e. 28.03.2022, 18.04.2022, 31.08.2022 and even today i.e. 19.10.2022.

Observations and Decision :

3. The essence of the matter is that opportunity to be heard has been given to the appellant but has not been availed of. If the requirement of hearing is to be deemed to be fulfilled by giving the appellant who is present an opportunity to be heard it should be regarded as equally fulfilled even in the case of an appellant who has chosen to be absent in spite of having been given an opportunity to be heard.

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4. Accordingly the Commission presumes that the appellant does not want to pursue his case anymore. However, the liberty is granted to the appellant to approach the Commission within 10 days from the issue of this order in case of any further submissions.

Hence this case is disposed of and Closed with above observations.

Sd/-
Chandigarh (Amrit Pratap Singh Sekhon)
Dated: 19.10.2022 State Information Commissioner, Pb.

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

CC: PS/ Ld. SIC (APS)