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Sh. Amritpal Singh (9815362281)S/o Sh. Avtar Singh, R/o # 263/A/13, Gali No. 8, Hussainpura East, Amritsar.



...Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer.** O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

**First Appellate Authority** 

O/o The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

...Respondents

**APPEAL CASE NO. 2071 OF 2021** 

PRESENT: None for the Appellant

Sh.Brahmjot Singh, Clerk for the Respondent

## ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 05.02.2021 has sought information on 02 points regarding a copy of the rule/document on the basis of which technical work is being taken from the tubewell operators – a copy of the RFP as per the MC letter dated 18.09.2019 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Commissioner. MC Amritsar. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the first appellate authority on 08.03.2021, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case first came up for hearing before Sh.HemInder Singh, State Information Commissioner on 31.08.2021. The appellant claimed that the PIO has not supplied the information.

The respondent was absent. The PIO was directed to file written submission and appear on the next date of hearing personally.

On the next date of hearing on 11.11.2021, the appellant informed that he has received the information on point-1 but the PIO has not supplied the information on point-2.

Sh.Mandeep Singh, Xen was present on behalf of the PIO who informed that the information relating to point-2 relates to their other department. The PIO was directed to procure the information on point 2 from the concerned department and supply to the appellant.

On he date of hearing on 06.07.2022, the appellant claimed that the information that was provided by the PIO relates to point 2 and the information on point 1 is pending.

The respondent was absent nor complied with the order of the Commission to provide the complete information. There has been an enormous delay in providing the information. The Commission having taken a serious view of this issued a show cause notice to the PIO under section 20 of the RTI Act 2005 for not supplying the information within the statutorily prescribed period of time and directed to file reply on an affidavit.

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## Hearing dated 29.11.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Amritsar. As per respondent, the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter 11.08.2021 and 05.01.2022.

The appellant is absent nor is represented.

At the last hearing, the appellant was present and informed that the information on point-1 is pending.

The respondent present informed that there is no such rule exists in the record and the reply has already been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 05.01.2022 with a copy to the Commission. The respondent further pleaded that since the information was with different departments of the Corporation and partial information was supplied on 11.08.2021 but the partial information was delayed.

Since the information has been provided, no further cause of action is required. The show cause is dropped and the case is closed.

The case is disposed of and closed.

Chandigarh Dated: 29.11.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner