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Sh. Lovekush Tiwari # 560, Ward No.22, Mkohalla Pipplanwala, Hoshiarpur.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o The Deputy Commissioner, Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate AuthorityO/o The Deputy Commissioner,
Hoshiarpur.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 2149 of 2022

PRESENT: Sh.Lovekush Tiwari as the Appellant

Sh.Rajesh Kumar, Head Constable O/o SSP Hoshiarpur for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 03.02.2022 has sought information regarding FIR No.233/2020 filed on 02.10.2020 police station Model Town Hoshiarpur – action taken report as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of DC Hoshiarpur. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 11.03.2022, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Hoshiarpur. The appellant claims that the PIO has denied the information vide letter dated 22.10.2022.

The respondent present pleaded that they received the RTI application of the appellant through the office of DC Hoshiarpur on 15.07.2022 since the appellant had filed the RTI application with the office of Deputy Commissioner Hoshiarpur. Thereafter, the report was called from the Chief Officer, Police Station Model Town Hoshiarpur, and as per their report, the reply has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 22.10.2022.

Having gone through the record, the Commission observes that the RTI application was filed with the office of DC Hoshiarpur, which was forwarded to the office of SSP Hoshiarpur after which a reply was sent.

The RTI application has been sufficiently replied to by the SSP office, and no further interference from the Commission is required on this matter.

However, the appellant has brought to the notice of the commission that he has filed some other RTI applications with the police, which haven't been responded to, and that was the reason that the RTI application was filed with the DC office.

Since a matter of pending RTI applications has been brought to the notice of this bench, I am directing the PIO to submit a report on the status of the RTI applications filed by the above-mentioned appellant within 15 days of receiving this order.

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Moreover, if the PIO is not appearing himself/herself, the PIO, Hoshiarpur police is directed to be represented by a senior enough representative so that the issues regarding RTI applications can be resolved promptly.

The case is **disposed of** with the direction to the PIO to submit a status report regarding this appellant's other RTI applications with the Hoshiarpur police.

Chandigarh Dated: 02.11.2022

Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner

CC to Senior Superintendent of Police, Hoshiarpur.