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Shri Bakhshish Singh, # 88, New Jawahar Nagar, Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Director, Local Govt, Punjab, Sector-35-A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Director, Local Govt, Punjab, Sector-35-A, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No. 2151 of 2023

Present: i) Shri Bakshish Singh - Appellant - in person

ii) Shri Anil Kumar, Senior Assistant (Trust Service Cell) O/o Director Local

Govt. Pb for the Respondent - in person

ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated 25.02.2022 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 24.06.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 29.03.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. The case has been heard today. As per respondent, the matter relates to charging of penalty with interest by Improvement Trust for non-construction of building on the plot allotted to the appellant within the time prescribed limit. The request of the appellant for waiver of penalty was considered by the competent authority and declined. The reply to this effect has been sent to the appellant
- 3. The appellant is not satisfied and states that he has not been provided the copies of his applications and action taken thereon.
- 4. Having gone through the RTI application and hearing both the parties, the PIO is directed to re-examine the RTI application and provide point-wise information to the appellant before the next date of hearing. The PIO-LG-2 Branch and PIO-Trust Service Cell O/o Director, Local Govt are directed to come present in person before the Bench to attend the next hearing. The appellant is directed to attend the next hearing through cisco-webex (No.1585723975) being 80 years of age and his personal request to be exempted from personal hearing.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 27.07.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 21.06.2023 Sd/(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd))
State Information Commissioner