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Shri Harbans Lal Banth, (94179 97663)

S/o Shri Ameen Chand, R/o Village Neeleware (Ratewal), Tehsil Balachaur, District S.B.S Nagar.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, (BY NAME)O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Block Balachaur, District SBS Nagar.

First Appellate Authority, (BY NAME) O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Shaheed Bhagat Singh Nagar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 5275 OF 2022 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

PRESENT: Shri Harbans Lal Banth, Appellant.

None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER (FIRST HEARING):

- 1. The RTI application is dated 05.07.2022 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 16.08.2022 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 03.11.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 22.05.2023.
- 2. The Appellant states that information sought has not been provided to him.
- The PIO is absent for today's hearing, in spite of the Notice/Orders of the Commission. This shows his disregard to the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously as it has affected the hearing and disposal of the case.
- 4. The PIO is directed to provide the requisite information/reply to the appellant, before the next date of hearing and should appear personally through Cisco Webex, on the next date of hearing, failing which strict action will be initiated against the PIO as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.
- 5. The matter is adjourned to 27.06.2023 at 11:00 AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 158 188 4645. Both the parties are directed to come to attend the hearing accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh 22.05.2023 (Maninder Singh Patti)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab