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Complainant

Respondent

Sh. Jaswinder Pal Singh(9041984089)

S/o Sh. Nasib Singh, VPO Posi, Tehsil Garghshankar

Distt. Hoshiarpur

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o BDPO, Garghshankar

Distt. Hoshiarpur

Complaint case No.: 31 of 2023 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Jaswinder Pal Singh at PSIC Office.

Respondent: Absent

<u>ORDER</u>

Date: 16.05.2023

- The RTI application dated 12.8.2022 vide which the complainant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. Complaint was filed in the Commission on 3.01.2023 under Section 18 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for 16.5.2023 at 11.00 a.m. through CISCO WEBEX application.
- 2. In today's hearing the complainant is present and states that he has received only 5 pages with regard to his RTI application which is insufficient and incomplete. He further pleads that suitable direction be given so that he may get the complete information.
- 3. Respondent PIO is absent in spite of registered post notice issued to him by the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally (through cisco webex) on the next date of hearing so that case could be concluded.
- 4. After hearing the appellant and examining the case file, today's the first hearing, accordingly one opportunity is awarded to the respondent PIO to supply the point-wise information to the appellant within ten days after receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission.
- 5. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, on receipt of reply/information from the respondent under intimation to the Commission, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. Both the parties are directed to come up on 20.07.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties. (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

(Anumit Singh Sodhi) State Information Commissioner Punjab