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**Sh. Gurtej Singh Khattri (M: 88724-74230),**

S/o Sh. Bakshish Singh Khattri,  
R/o Village Rohti Mouran, PO Village Rohta,  
Tehsil Nabha. District Patiala.

Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Sanaur, District Patiala.

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer,  
Patiala.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 326 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

**Present:**

Appellant: Sh. Gurtej Singh Khattri.

Respondent: Sh. Jaspal Singh, Computer Assistant (9592728700) along with Sh. Harinder Gill  
(Panchayat Secretary-cum-APIO) (9876933600)

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application dated 26.09.2022 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 09.11.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 03.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 10.05.2023 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
3. In today's hearing, both the parties are present.
4. Appellant states that he has been asked to deposit the requisite fee amounting Rs. 10,000/- through letter dated 10.10.2022 without mentioning total number of pages.
5. The respondent, Sh. Jaspal Singh states that information will be supplied to the appellant after collecting the documentation fee.
6. After going through the case file and discussing with the parties, I am of the considered view that requisite information is voluminous in nature and respondent PIO demanded fee amounting Rs. 10,000/- against requisite information sought for via RTI application dated 26.09.2022.

Accordingly appellant is advised to deposit the requisite fee of Rs. 10,000/- as demanded by the respondent and the PIO concerned is directed to supply the attested copy of requisite information to the appellant as per RTI application after collecting the fee, within one month under intimation to the Commission.

If the calculated amount exceeds then the amount payable; than in that situation exceeded amount deposited shall be refunded and if the mentioned amount gets less than the difference amount shall be payable by the appellant to the respondent, with the intimation to the undersigned Bench.

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The Appellant, Sh. Gurtej Singh Khattrra is directed to go through the supplied information (once received) and point out deficiencies in written, if any, to the respondent PIO through registered post/email, with a copy to the Commission within fifteen days as per RTI application, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case will be decided on merits.

7. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case.
8. To come up on **30.08.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex Meetings Software**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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**Dated: 10.05.2023**

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)**  
**State Information Commissioner**  
**Punjab**