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Sh. Jasveer Singh(Reporter)(9803637036)

W.No.13, Guru Nanakpura Mohalla,
Near Vishwas Mandir,
Rampura Phul,
Distt. Bathinda 151103.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o EO, Nagar Panchayat,
Nathana, Distt. Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC(UD), Bathinda

Respondent

Appeal Case No.:3357 of 2022

Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Sh. Jasveer Singh, the appellant in person.
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Ranjit Singh (PS) (8847663114)

ORDER

1. Refer earlier order dated 14.12.2022 vide which appellant was advised to deposit the documentation fee against the requisite information within ten days from today and respondent PIO was also directed to supply the demanded information within fifteen days after receipt of the documentation fee, failing which case will be decided on merits on the next date of hearing. The matter was adjourned to 19.1.2023.
2. In today's hearing, both the parties are present.
3. The appellant states that the respondent department vide their letter dated 22.11.2022 has demanded Rs.50/- per page and in total Rs. 51,150/- which is very much on the higher side. He further states that as per market rate, the rate varies between Rs.3/- to Rs.4/- per page of 1-2 size whereas the department demands much more. The information contains about 1023 pages.
4. Respondent states that documentation fee was demanded accordingly to quotation and rules. A reply in this regard is also sent to the Commission vide letter no. 577 dated 22.11.2022, which is received vide diary no. 27139 dated 24.11.2022 and taken on record.
5. On this, appellant requests the Commission to direct the respondent PIO to supply the record through official person to get the photocopies by his own from the market.
6. Respondent is directed to supply the record for photocopy via official person and appellant is also advised to get the information within 7 days from today failing which the case shall automatically be disposed of/closed.
7. To come up on **05.04.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 19.01.2023

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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