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FINAL ORDER

Devinder Kumar Sharma, S/o Late Sh. Girdhari Lal, #B484, St. No.2/7 A, Guru Nanak Colony, Kharar, District Mohali.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Nabha.

Complaint Case 347 of 2022

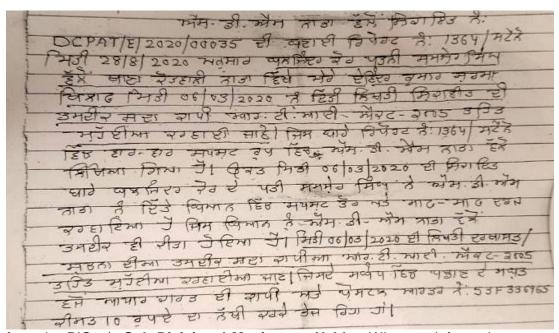
PRESENT:

(Complainant) Absent Damandeep Kaur, SDM (Respondent) 75288-83340 Rajpal Kaur, PIO-cum-Superintendent (Respondent) 62834-90020

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 19.7.2022, 16.9.2022, and 18.11.2022)

1. The complainant, **Davinder Kumar**, filed this RTI application dated **10.5.2022** and sought information:-



from the PIO o/o **Sub Divisional Magistrate, Nabha**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **2.6.2022**. The case was last heard on **18.11.2022**.

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- 2. The complainant is absent. At the last hearing on 18.11.2022, the SDM Nabha, was impleaded in this Complaint Case and directed to be present in person at today's hearing. She has submitted a fresh reply to the RTI application along with earlier reply Dated 20.9.2022 and information provided to the complainant.
- 3. This is however, a Complaint Case and the only question before the Commission is whether there is any malafide intent on the part of the respondent PIO to delay or deny the information. The PIO, Smt. Rajpal Kaur, states that the reply to the RTI application was delayed because that the RTI application had to to be forwarded to the Tehsildar, Nabha and that the entire process took some time, thereby resulting in a delay. The respondent PIO is hereby advised to be more proactive in dealing RTI applications in future and also to intimate applicants at every stage.
- 4. The Commission is of the view that there was no malafide intent on the part of the respondent PIO. This Complaint is accordingly **Disposed of**.

Sd/(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh 31.1.2023