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S/o Late Sh. Sham Lal, R/o Bank Street New Basti Nabha, Distt. Patiala.

Versus

**Public Information Officer** 

O/o Markfed, Punjab, Sector 35, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority O/o Markfed, Punjab,

Sector 35, Chandigarh.

| Appellant/Complainant |  |  |  |  |
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| Respondent            |  |  |  |  |

## Appeal Case No. 3514 of 2022

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| Date of R<br>Application |        | of Reply,<br>of SPIO | Date of First Appeal made, if any | Date of Order / Reply, if any of FAA | Date of Appeal/Complaint filed in the Commission |
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| 22.04.202                | 2 31.0 | 5.2022               | 30.05.2022                        | -                                    | 03.08.2022                                       |

Present: Appellant:Sh. Shivam Goyal on behalf of applicant

Respondent: Ms. Anita (Internal Auditor)

## **ORDER (SECOND HEARING):**

- 1. This order may be read with the reference of previous order of the commission dated 15.11.2022.
- 2. Both the parties are present and heard. The respondent Ms. Anita submitted that the information sought by her relates to the personal information of a third party Sh. Surinder Kumar Salesman, the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest and would cause an unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual concerned and was, therefore, exempted from disclosure under Section 8 (1) (j) of the RTI Act. Moreover, the information sought was withheld under Section 11 of the RTI Act, as the third party (Sh. Baljinder Singh) had expressed his unwillingness regarding the disclosure of the details. Hence, the information sought could not be furnished to the applicant.

## Decision:

- **3.** The Commission, after hearing the submissions of both the parties and perusing the records, notes that the that the information sought by the applicant relates to the personal information of a third party Sh. Baljinder Singh, the disclosure of which has no relationship to any public activity or interest, and would cause an unwarranted invasion of the privacy of the individual concerned. Hence, its disclosure is exempted under Section 8 (1) (j) read with Section 11 (1) of the RTI Act. In view of this, the information sought by the complainant cannot be provided. Hence, no further intervention of the Commission is warranted in the matter.
- 4. With the above observations, the appeal is disposed of.

Sd/-(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Pb.

Chandigarh Dated: 11.01.2023