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Shri Gurdev Singh, S/o Shri Bir Singh, # 15, Ward NO.11, Anandpur, Distt:Roopnagar. RTI Application No.33117.

Versus

.....Appellant

Public Information Officer O/o Estate Officer, PUDA, Mohali.

Public Information Officer O/o GMADA, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority O/o Estate Officer, PUDA, Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No. 371 of 2023 Present: i) Shri Gurdev Singh - Appellant - in person ii) Sh.Raj Kumar Bansal-PIO, PUDA Mohali – through cisco-webex

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 18.09.2022 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 27.10.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 05.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The case has been heard today. As per appellant, the PIO has not provided the information so far. However, he received a letter on 03.01.2023 from the PIO stating that the information is not available in their office.

3. As per respondent the information relates to GMADA Mohali. However, there is nothing on record which shows that the RTI application has been attended to within the time prescribed under the RTI Act or has been transferred to concerned department under section 6(3) of the RTI Act. Further there has been an enormous delay in providing the information.

4. Since as per version of respondent-PUDA, the information relates to GMADA, the PIO-GMADA Mohali is impleaded in this case as respondent No.2 and is directed to look at the RTI application, copy of which is being sent along with the order of the Bench and provide information to the appellant as sought in the RTI application before the next hearing.

5. The case is adjourned. The concerned parties are directed to come up for hearing on 29.05.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Sd/-

(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Chandigarh 21.03.2023

