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**Paramjit Singh Bharaj,** # 1711/15, Street No.3, Shimlapuri, Ludhiana.

Versus

Public Information Officer, o/o Zonal Commissioner, Zone-C, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana. First Appellate Authority, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana. Third Party, Harkrishan Sahib Public High School, Janta Nagar, Ludhiana.

### Appeal Case No. 3873 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent Chander Parkash, DM, Building Branch, Zone-C (for the Respondent) 92175-37675

#### ORDER:

- 1. The RTI application is dated **31.5.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Shri Harkishan Sahib Public High School**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **30.6.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **24.8.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **25.11.2022**.
- 2. The appellant is absent without intimation. The respondent PIO is represented by Sh. Chander Parkash, DM, Building Branch, Zone-C. The respondent has submitted copy of a reply sent to the appellant vide Letter No.117 Dated 14.7.2022, wherein the information was denied under Section 11 of the RTI Act, as "third party information". The PIO has also submitted a copy of Letter No. 89-90 Dated 21.6.2022, wherein stated third party, represented by the Principal of the cited school, was informed regarding this RTI application. As per the respondent, the third party has refused to give consent to the disclosure of requested information, in writing on 21.6.2022.
- 3. The Commission has examined the RTI application and notes that the information requested by the appellant is out of a concern for the safety of school students. The respondent PIO is hereby directed to submit a written pointwise reply to all 10 points of the RTI application along with attested copies of the requested information at each point. It is also noted that the appellant has sought a copy of the plan/map of the cited School. The site plan/map is to be provided by way of an attested copy after **redaction / blanking out** all internal details (only outline map to be provided). This must be done before the next hearing.

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- 4. The respondent PIO is also directed to intimate the stated third party i.e. Shri Harkrishan Sahib Public High School, regarding this Order and the next Hearing, whereon stated third party is granted an opportunity to be heard.
- 5. Next hearing on 21.2.2023 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

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

Chandigarh 25.11.2022