

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Rajesh Aggarwal,
S/o Sh. Ram Roop,
Shop No. 17, New Grain Market,
Sunam, Distt. Sangrur.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Punjab Mandi Board, Sector 65,
Mohali.
First Appellate Authority,
o/o Punjab Mandi Board, Sector 65,
Mohali.

Appeal Case No. 4125 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Gagandeep Singh, DDMO (for the Respondent) 94642-94474

Navneet Kaur, SA (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **13.10.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Complaint Dated 22.4.2021**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **28.6.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **5.9.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **19.1.2023**.

2. The PIO-cum-Deputy District Manager, Sh. Gagandeep Singh accompanied by Navneet Kaur, SA, appeared before this Bench on 23.1.23 and resubmitted the replies sent to the appellant with proper indexing of the information provided.

3. The Commission finds that the information requested at point No. 1, by way of the report etc. of an enquiry conducted by the Vigilance Branch of the Punjab Mandi Board on the appellant's complaint, has been denied citing Central Information Commission's Order Dated 8.2.2017 (CIC/SV/A215/000649). The Commission has examined said Order wherein a report of the Central Vigilance Office (CVO) was denied under Section 8(1)(g) of the RTI Act, 2005.

4. The Commission is of the view that the matter under investigation by the Vigilance Branch of Punjab Mandi Board does not attract the provisions of Section 8(1)(g) and must be therefore provided to the appellant. The respondent PIO, Punjab Mandi Board, Mohali is directed to provide a copy the enquiry report etc. sought at point no. 1 of the RTI application, to the appellant with a copy to this Commission, forthwith.

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5. Meanwhile the appellant has listed a number of objections and deficiencies in the information provided to him vide an email to the Commission. The deficiencies as listed are difficult to comprehend and the appellant is directed to attend the next Hearing of this appeal case in person so that he can explain the shortcomings in the information directly to the respondents.

6. **Next hearing on 7.3.2023 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
19.1.2023