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Mahinder Singh, S/o Sh. Ram Singh, Quarter No.T-2/170,RSD Staff Colony,Sahapur Kandi Township, Tehsil & Distt.Pathankot.

Versus

Public Information Officer,

o/o XEN, Inspection and Quality Control, RSD Sahapur Kandi Township, Pathankot.

Public Information Officer,

o/o XEN, Personal Div. No.2, RSD Sahapur Kandi Township, Pathankot.

First Appellate Authority,

SE. Admn & Dam Security Circle, RSD Sahapur Township, Tehsil and Distt. Pathankot.

Appeal Case No. 4253 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT: Mohinder Singh (Appellant) 96461-41428 Ajay Rampal, SDO (for the Respondent) 98053-89091 Rajesh Bagga, SDO (for the Respondent)

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **11.2.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information regarding Mahinder Singh as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.3.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **14.9.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.1.2023**.

2. Both parties are present. It is the appellant's contention that the information requested at point no. 1 of his RTI application wherein a copy of the Muster Roll or any other document showing that the appellant Mahinder Singh, was appointed as unskilled labourer on 22.3.88 was sought, has not been provided.

3. After long deliberation at this hearing, the concerned office i.e. Inspection Quality Control Division Shahpurkandi Township represented by Sh. Rajesh Bagga, SDO, states that no specific document pertaining to Sh. Mohinder Singh's appointment on 22.3.88 is available in his office.

4. The Commission impleads XEN, Inspection and Quality Control, Sh. Gagandeep Singh, as the deemed PIO in this Appeal Case and directs him to provide reply to para A and point no. 1 of this RTI application by way of Certified Copy of document specifically showing the appellant Sh. Mohinder Singh's appointment as unskilled labourer on 22.3.88. If no such document is available in the record, this must be clearly stated in the reply sent to the appellant along with a copy to the Commission. The above must be done within 10 days of receipt of this Order. Failure to comply, will qualify the deemed PIO, Sh. Gagandeep Singh, XEN, for penalty as per the RTI Act, 2005.

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5. <u>Next hearing on 2.3.2023 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office,</u> <u>Pathankot</u>.

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

Chandigarh 17.1.2023