

PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

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Sohan Lal,
S/o Sh. Charan Dass,
House No. 14, Bank Colony,
Ferozepur.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o XEN, Punjab Mandi Board,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
Chief Engineer (North),
Punjab Mandi Board,
Mohali.

Appeal Case No. 4258 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Sohan Lal (Appellant) 98766-20800

Dharminder Singh, PIO-cum-XEN, Electrical (Respondent) 98729-95346

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **21.1.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding the newly constructed Punjab Mandi Bhawan**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **21.3.2022** 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 **13.12.2022**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO-cum-XEN, Electrical, Punjab Mandi Board, Mohali, Sh. Dharminder Singh, states that the requested record is not traceable despite a thorough search by various branches/offices etc. The Commission notes that this RTI application was submitted on 21.1.2022, since when, not a single reply has been sent to the appellant, including that the requested record is missing.

3. Under the circumstances, this Commission directs the respondent PIO-cum-XEN, Electrical, to immediately comply with due procedure as per State Government Rules and Regulations regarding any record that is missing, like the registration of FIR/DDR and / or institution of an enquiry to fix the responsibility. This must be intimated to the Commission before the next hearing.

4. **Next hearing on 12.1.2023 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
13.12.2022