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Shri Amritpal Singh
S/o Shri Avtar Singh,
H.No.263A/13, Gali No.8,
Hussainpura East,
Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Director, Local Govt., Punjab,
Municipal Bhawan, Sector-35,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No. 4412 of 2021

Present:

- (i) **Shri Amritpal Singh-Appellant.**
- (ii) **Shri Ramninder Singh, Senior Assistant, Local Govt.-1 Branch, Local Govt. Department, Punjab, on behalf of the PIO/Respondent- in person.**

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 27.09.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. The appellant Shri Amritpal Singh come present in person before the Bench and states that he has not received information so far.
3. Shri Ramninder Singh, Senior Assistant, Local Govt.-1 Branch, Local Govt. Department, Punjab, on behalf of the PIO/Respondent comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench and states that the appellant was supplied information vide letter dated 02.07.2021 by registered post. He produces before the Bench a letter dated 01.11.2022 stating therein that one Shri Jaspal Singh and the appellant Shri Amritpal Singh are repeatedly seeking information about Shri Parduman Singh, Corporation Engineer (Retd.). In this connection, Appeal Cases of Shri Jaspal Singh No.2982/2021, 2983/21, 2478/21 and 5660/2021 have been disposed off. Besides this, appeal cases filed by the appellant i.e. AC No.3952/21, 1088/2022 and instant AC No.4412/2021 are still under consideration of the Commission and one AC No.5592/2021 has been disposed off. He also makes a request that the penalty imposed on the PIO may please be waived as the information had already been supplied to the appellant and the said penalty was imposed on account of non-appearance of the PIO on the date of hearing.

4. The Bench observes that in spite of the position explained by the representative of PIO in the letter dated 01.11.2022; the appellant insists that he has not received any information. The representative of PIO again clarifies to the appellant the details of information supplied.

5. The Bench, on perusal of case file, observes that vide letter dated 25.08.2022, the PIO has explained the circumstances in response to the show cause notice and the penalty imposed on him. The Bench drops the show cause notice, however, directs the PIO to deposit the penalty before the next hearing and produce evidence for having done so in the next hearing. The Bench, however, directs the PIO Local Govt.-1 Branch to supply information again to the appellant by registered post with an intimation to the Bench and ensure to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 06.12.2022 at 11.30 AM in Commission's office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
01.11.2022**

**Sd/-
((Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma,(Retd))
State Information Commissioner, Punjab**