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Respondent

Sh. Rajinder Kumar(9646380671) S/o Sh. Mehar Chand, R/O W.No.2, Supreme Enclave, Near Vishwakarma Bhawan, Link Road, Mansa 151505.

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o ADC(UD), Mansa

First Appellate Authority, O/o ADC(UD), Mansa

Appeal case No.: 4466 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Rajinder Kumar Respondent: Absent

<u>ORDER</u>

- 1. The RTI application is dated 20.06.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 21.07.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 23.9.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for 3.01.2023 through CISCO WEBEX application.
- 2. In today's hearing the appellant states that sufficient time has elapsed but the information sought for as per RTI application is still pending.
- 3. Respondent PIO is absent in spite of registered post notice issued to him, which means he has no regard to the Notice of the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case
- 4. One opportunity is awarded to the respondent PIO to supply the complete information within 15 days to the appellant under intimation to the Commission from the receipt of this order along with directions to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively.
- 7. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out discrepancy within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
- The matter is adjourned for further hearing on 05.04.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
 (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

Dated: 03.01.2023

(Anumit Singh Sodhi) State Information Commissioner Punjab