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Shri Iqbal Singh Rasulpur,  
C/o Shri Satinderpal Singh Dhaliwal Advocate,  
Street NO.4, Guru Nanak Nagar, Kachha Malak Road,  
Jagraon, Distt:Ludhiana.

.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o Legal Remembrances, Pb,  
Civil Sectt., Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o Legal Remembrances, Pb,  
Civil Sectt., Chandigarh.

...Respondents

AC No. 447 of 2023

**Present:** (i) **Appellant-absent.**  
(ii) **Shri Baljit Singh ,Suptd, Legal Branch O/o Legal Remembrances, Pb, on behalf of the respondent-in person.**

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 28.09.2022 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 07.11.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 06.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 15.03.2023. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. The appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex nor any intimation has been given by him in this regard.
3. Shri Baljit Singh ,Suptd/Legal Branch O/o Legal Remembrances, Pb has come present to attend the hearing in person and states that RTI application of the appellant has been transferred to the Secretary, Department of Personnel vide letter dated 04.10.2022 under Section 6(3) of the RTI Act, 2005 as they are the competent authority to issue instructions regarding consequential benefits in case of an employee who is acquitted in criminal cases. He further adds that their department functions in an advisory capacity to the State Government only and does not issue such instructions.
4. The appellant is contacted on his mobile phone. He is apprised of the version of the respondent. He expresses satisfaction over the reply of PIO.
5. Post deliberations, the appellant is advised to file a fresh application and approach the concerned department i.e. Secretary, Department of Personnel, Punjab as they are the competent authority for clarifying the issue which has been raised by him in his RTI application.
6. In view of the above, the Bench does not feel need for further intervention in the matter. The instant appeal case is **disposed off and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties

Chandigarh  
15.03.2023

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