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Shri Ankit Sehgal,
C/o Bombay Studio,
Near Main Post Office Chowk,
Pathankot..

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer
O/o The Improvement Trust,
Hoshiarpur.

First Appellate Authority
O/o The ADC (Urban Development),
Hoshiarpur.

....Respondents

AC No. 4550 of 2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.
(ii) Smt. Surinder Kumari, Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Hoshiarpur, in person.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 14.12.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
2. The case has been heard today. Shri Ankit Sehgal, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex though he has informed through a telephonic message that he will attend the hearing through cisco webex.
3. Smt. Surinder Kumari, Executive Officer, Improvement Trust, Hoshiarpur comes present in person before the Bench and states that the appellant was called to office vide letter dated 21.12.2022 to inspect the records on 28.12.2022, but due to declaration of holiday on that day, he was called again on 02.01.2023 and he had assured to come at 02.00 PM, but he did not turn up and produces before the Bench a letter dated 02.01.2023 before the Bench. She further states that the nature of information sought by the appellant involves creation and culling out of information from the records, that is why he has been called to office time and again to identify the information required by him so that concerned pages can be given duly attested by PIO.
4. The appellant is contacted on his mobile phone. In spite of repeated attempts made to contact him during the hearing, first he does not respond and rather, switches off his mobile phone.
5. The Bench observes that the PIO has come present in person before the Bench and as per version of the respondent, the appellant has not been showing his interest in visiting the office of PIO even after being called by the PIO. Today, in spite of repeated attempts to contact him, he does not respond. This all amounts to harassment by the appellant of the public authority as well as the Commission.
6. In view of the observations as made above, the Bench is not inclined to proceed further in the matter. **As such, the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
04.01.2023

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