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Appellant

Sh. Amarjit Singh Dhamotia(9888710031)

Sr. Citizen, RTI Activist, Whistle Blower, President, NCAG Office, Street No.5, # 1331-5, Vishwkarama Bhawan, Down Canal Road, Simplapuri, Ludhiana 141003.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy., Regional Tpt. Authority, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy., Regional Tpt. Authority, Ludhiana

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 457 of 2023 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Appellant: Sh. Gurmej Lal on behalf of the appellant

Respondent: Absent

ORDER

Present:

- The RTI application dated 27.9.2022 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 27.10.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 9.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for 24.5.2023 at 11.00 a.m. through CISCO WEBEX application.
- 2. In today's hearing, representative of the appellant states that appellant has not received the sought for information till date since sufficient time has elapsed.
- 3. Respondent PIO is absent in spite of registered post notice issued to him by the Commission. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO, Ms. Poonam Deep Kaur is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally (through cisco webex), on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow. She is also directed to supply the requisite information within seven days to the appellant after receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission. A copy of this order be sent to her by name through registered post for her ready reference.
- 4. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies, if any, within 7 days from the receipt of the information, failing which it shall be presumed that he has nothing to say deficient in that regard.
- 5. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. Both the parties are directed to come up on 20.07.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing 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).

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

Ms. Poonam Deep Kaur (PIO)

(Regd. Post) O/o Secy., Regional Tpt. Authority,

Ludhiana

Date: 24.5.2023