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Versus

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority,

Bathinda.

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 01.02.2023

O/o Secretary, Regional Transport Authority, Bathinda.

Respondent

Appellant

Appeal Case No.: 4609 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Appellant: Shri Jasbir Singh

(ii) Respondent: None is present from the department.

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application is dated 30.06.2022 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 01.08.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 03.10.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
- 2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 01.02.2023 i.e. today
- 3. In today's hearing, the appellant states that no information has been supplied to him.
- 4. Respondent PIO is absent in spite of registered post notice issued to him by the Commission, which means he is not serious towards the notices issued to him by the Commission and undersigned Bench takes a serious view of the casual approach of the Respondent / PIO, as information is still not supplied to the appellant after the ample time has elapsed, which affects the disposal of the case.
- 5. A final opportunity is awarded to the respondent PIO to supply the attested point wise reply / information as per RTI application, to the Appellant within ten days after receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission along with directions to appear in person on the next date of hearing to represent this case.
- 6. The Appellant is also advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out specific discrepancies, if any, in writing to the Respondent / PIO with a copy to the Commission within seven days, failing which it would be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
- With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned for further hearing on 16.03.2023 <u>at</u> 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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