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Shri Sukhbir Singh Mahal R/o 816, Diamond Avenue, Majitha Road, Amritsar-143001.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No. 4688 of 2022

Present:(i)Shri Sukhbir Singh Mahal, Appellant-in person.(ii)None on behalf of the PIO/Respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

1. The RTI application is dated 28.06.2022 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 03.08.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 06.10.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 23.11.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Sukhbir Singh Mahal, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench and denies receipt of any information. He submits a request to the Bench to excuse his presence in person before the Bench and allow him to attend the next hearing through cisco webex.

3. Neither the PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar has come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench nor through cisco webex. The APIO has, however, sent a letter by e.mail dated 23.11.2022 stating that he has to attend a court case at Amritsar and has requested for adjournment to another date.

4. The Bench apprises the appellant of the request from the PIO in this regard. Acceding to the request, the matter is adjourned. The Bench also accedes to the request of the appellant in view of the submissions made by him in his letter dated 23.11.2022.

5. The PIO is directed to call the appellant to his office and allow him access to the relevant official record. The appellant, after inspection of relevant records, will identify the information as per his RTI application. The PIO directed to supply complete information to the appellant as may be identified by him before the next hearing as also ensure to come present in person before the Bench.

6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on
14.12.2022 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 23.11.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab