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Appellant

Sh. Manjinder Singh(9872015069)

2469, Sunny Enclave,

Sector 125, Kharar,

Distt. Mohali 140301.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,

Ferozepur

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,

Ferozepur

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 4697 of 2022

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Sh. Neeraj, Clerk (8146100028)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 4.7.2022 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 8.8.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 10.10.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for 2.2.2023 through CISCO WEBEX application.
3. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
4. The appellant states that sufficient time has gone in vain the sought for information as per his RTI application is still awaited. He further pleads that suitable direction be also issued so that he may be able to get the information.
5. The respondent states that reply was to the appellant on 13.12.2022 as well as to the Commission via an email dated 27.12.2022, which is received and taken on record. Appellant denies receiving the same. He adds that information was demanded from the Chandigarh office but not received yet.
6. After hearing both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed follow up the matter on priority basis as RTI Act 2005 came into existence to promote transparency and accountability not to harass public to collect information.
7. Respondent PIO is directed to collect the requisite information within fifteen days after receipt of this order and supply it to the appellant under intimation to the Commission.
8. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out discrepancy within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
9. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **04.05.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 2.2.2023

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**