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Ashok Kumar,
S/o Late Sh. Sham Lal,
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Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Punjab State Warehousing Corporation,
SCO-74-75, Bank Square,
Sector 17 B, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Managing Director,
Punjab State Warehousing Corporation,
SCO-74-75, Bank Square,
Sector 17 B, Chandigarh.

Appeal Case No. 4719 of 2022

PRESENT:

Shivam Goyal (Son of the Appellant) 97801-50888
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated **5.8.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding SK Sharma Branch Manager, Nawanshahr,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **25.8.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **10.10.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **19.1.2023**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation. He has however, submitted a reply to the Commission's Notice of Hearing vide Letter No. 1539 Dated 18.1.2023, stating that the information was denied as per the Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005 and the Department of Governance Reforms Instruction vide Letter No. 4/5/2021-4G/1/225467/2021 Dated 9.8.2021. The PIO's reply also states that the FAA upheld the decision to deny the information as per Section 8(1)(j) of the RTI Act, 2005. The appellant has requested time to make a written submission. He is granted one opportunity.

3. **Next hearing on 1.3.2023 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

Sd/-
(ASIT JOLLY)
State Information Commissioner, Punjab.

Chandigarh
19.1.2023