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Shri Diyal Singh S/o Shri Balwant Singh,
Village Chhak Bajida, Tehsil Jalalabad,
District Fazilka.

.....Appellant

Versus

(Regd. Post) Public Information Officer
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Fazilka.

Encl. RTI application

First Appellate Authority
O/o Deputy Commissioner,
Fazilka.

....Respondents

AC No. 4829 of 2022

Present: (i) **Appellant: Absent.**
(ii) **Respondent : Absent.**

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 17.03.2022 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 23.06.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 14.10.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The case has been heard today in the Commission's office at Chandigarh. Shri Diyal Singh, appellant is absent.

3. None is present from the department also.

4. After going through the case file, it has been observed that an email has been received by the Bench in which a letter dated 19.12.2022 is sent by the appellant vide which he has requested the hearing through cisco webex or through V.C., **which is accepted and the appellant is directed to attend the next date of hearing through cisco webex for clarifying the facts of this case.**

5. Another email has been received by the Bench; which has been sent by the department in which a letter vide endorsement number 2435 dated 20.12.2022 is attached in which it has been clearly mentioned that under Section 6 (3), RTI application of the appellant was transferred from PIO O/o DC, Fazilka to PIO O/o DDPO, Fazilka vide letter number 276 dated 31.03.2022 which was again transferred under Section 6(3) of the RTI from PIO O/o DDPO, Fazilka to PIO O/o BDPO, Fazilka vide letter number 713 dated 18.05.2022 as mentioned in letter dated 20.12.2022. **But today, nobody appears from the department for clarifying the facts of this case.**

6. **A copy of the RTI application along with this order be sent to the PIO O/o BDPO, Fazilka as well as PIO O/o DC, Fazilka to look into this matter and make sure to appear in the Commission on the next hearing for clarifying the facts of this case.**

7. Post deliberations, the Bench directs the PIO to send point wise attested copies of information to the appellant through registered post and supply the copy of postal receipt to the Bench before the next hearing. The PIO is also directed to appear before the Bench along with the requisite information on the next hearing.

8. The Appellant is directed to go through the supplied input and point out the deficiencies, if any, after the receipt of the information. The Appellant is also directed to attend the next hearing positively, **through cisco webex whose meeting joining number is 1585723975** failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the case may be decided based on documents available on file.

9. **With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. Both the concerned parties are directed to attend the hearing on 02.02.2023 at 11.30 am before the Bench at Punjab State Information Commission, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
22.12.2022

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

CC:

Public Information Officer
(Regd. Post) O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer,
Fazilka.

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