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Sh. Makhan Singh(9855164101)

S/o Sh.Gobinder Singh,
R/o Ward No.17, Budhlada,
Distt. Mansa 151502.

Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o EO, Nagar Council, Budhlada,
Distt. Mansa

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC (UD), Mansa

Respondent

Appeal Case No.:5032 of 2022
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Makhan Singh
Respondent: Absent

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 1.7.2022 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 5.8.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.10.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for 28.2.2023 through CISCO WEBEX application.
2. In today's hearing, appellant states that sufficient time has elapsed but nothing with regard to information has been provided till date. He further pleads that suitable direction be given to the department so that he may get the sought for information without wasting further time.
3. None is present from the department in spite of registered post notice issued to him. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO is directed to appear in person (through cisco webex), on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case.
4. **A final opportunity is awarded to the respondent PIO to supply point-wise information to the appellant within 10 days from the receipt of the order under intimation to the Commission, failing which action as per RTI rules shall be initiated.**
5. To come up on **25.04.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
(Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

Dated: 28.02.2023

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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