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Major Singh,
S/o Sh. Narain Singh,
Takhtupura, Tehsil Nihal Singh Wala,
Moga.

Versus

Public Information Officer,
o/o Tehsildar, Nihal Singh Wala,
Moga.

Complainant Case No. 505 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

Major Singh (Complainant) 88472-61855
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

1. The complainant, **Major Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **8.7.2022** and sought information **regarding Mutation No. 6352**, from the PIO o/o **Tehsildar, Nihal Singh Wala, Moga**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **9.8.2022**. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **20.10.2022**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent without intimation but has submitted a reply to this Commission's Notice of Hearing vide Letter No. 188 Dated 13.10.2022, wherein it is stated that the record requested by the complainant is neither available in the office of concerned patwari nor in the office of Deputy Commissioner and that Higher Authorities have been informed so that action can be initiated as per law.

3. The respondent's reply is clearly not satisfactory and does not accord the deserved seriousness to the purported loss of appellant's *intkal* / mutation from the records. The complainant has meanwhile, stated that he has been pursuing the matter without any success for more than decade at great time and expense.

4. In view of the above, the respondent PIO is hereby directed to be present in person at the next hearing of this Appeal Case, along with all the record pertaining to intkal/mutation number 6352 including the correspondence with higher authority regarding the purported loss of said record.

5. **Next hearing on 8.12.2022 at 11.30 am.** (The appellant will attend the hearing at DC Office, Moga and the respondent PIO will attend the hearing at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh).

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

Chandigarh
20.10.2022