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Shri Gaurav Goyal, S/o Shri Pawan Kumar, # 960 TDI City, Mohali-16055

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority(PUDA), Mohali.

Public Information Officer

O/o Greater Mohali Area Development Authority(GMADA), Mohali.

Public Information Officer

O/o Divisional Engineer, Public Health, GMADA, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority

O/o Punjab Urban Planning and Development Authority(PUDA),Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No.5149 of 2022

Present: (i) Appellant- absent.

(ii) Shri Gurwinder Singh, AEO/PIO, GMADA, Mohali- in person.

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 04.01.2023 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Gaurav Goyal, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench or through cisco webex nor he has sent any intimation in this regard.
- 3. Shri Gurwinder Singh, AEO/PIO, GMADA, Mohali, comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex and states that the information has been sent to the Commission by e.mail and on WhatsApp number today i.e. 14.02.2023.
- 4. The appellant is contacted on his mobile phone. He denies receipt of information by e.mail or on his WhatsApp number. Then on enquiring from the PIO as to whether the same has been sent to the appellant or not, he states that information is yet to be provided to the appellant. The Bench then forwards the reply to the appellant on his WhatsApp number. On the asking of the Bench, he expresses dis-satisfaction over reply of PIO and as per letter, the grievance raised by him has been stated to be not relating to GMADA.

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- 4. The PIO, on the asking of the Bench, states that the said reply has been given to the appellant by the Divisional Engineer (Public Health-1), GMADA, Mohali.
- 5. The Bench consequent to the reply of PIO, deems it appropriate to implead the Divisional Engineer, Public Health, GMADA, Mohali as Respondent No.2. He is directed to give reply to the appellant clarifying the position as to whom this RTI application relates to and supply point-wise information before the next hearing. The PIO/Divisional Engineer, GMADA, and the PIO, GMADA are directed to come present in person before the Bench on the next hearing, failing which the Bench will be constrained to impose penalty on the PIO.
- With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 20.04.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 15.02.2023 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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