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Appellant

Sh. Manjinder Singh(9872015069)

2469, Sunny Enclave,

Sector 125, Kharar,

Distt. Mohali 140301.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,

Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority,

Bathinda

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 5426 of 2022

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present:

Appellant: Sh. Manjinder Singh

Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 25.7.2022 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 29.8.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 9.11.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 16.3.2023 i.e. today.
2. In today's hearing, the appellant is present and states that he has not received any information with regard to his RTI application since sufficient time has elapsed. He further pleads the court that suitable directions be issued to the respondent to supply the sought information without wasting further time.
3. Respondent PIO is absent in spite of registered notice issued to him, which shows his irresponsible behavior towards the notice of the Commission as well as to the RTI Act, 2005 which came into existence to promote the transparency. Being the first hearing, grants one more opportunity to him to supply the information as per RTI application to the appellant within 10 days from the receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission, failing which stern action will be initiated against the respondent PIO.
4. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out discrepancy within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which it will be presumed that he has nothing to say in this regard.
5. To come up on **25.07.2023 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).

Date: 16.03.2023

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab**