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Shri Kulbir Pal S/o Shri Assa Ram, R/o Village Kalianpur, District Jalandhar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Panchayat Secretary, O/o BDPO, Jalandhar (West), Jalandhar.

First Appellate Authority O/o. District Development and

Panchayat Officer (DDPO), Jalandhar.

...Respondents

AC No.5519/2021

- **Present:** (i) Shri Kulbir Pal, Appellant, in person.
 - (ii) None on behalf of BDPO Jalandhar (West)/PIO/respondent.

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 21.09.2022 passed by this Bench on the previous hearing as the hearing scheduled for 31.10.2022 was postponed.
- 2. The case has been heard today. Shri Kulbir Pal, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. He states that he has not received information on point No.2 & 3 yet. He also states that the information supplied is also not attested.
- 3. Neither the PIO/Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Kalianpur, Block Jalandhar (West), has come present in person or through cisco webex nor has anybody appeared on his behalf.
- 4. The Bench observes that during the previous hearing, the Bench was apprised that Smt. Neelam Rani is the present Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Kalianpur. But today, the appellant states that she has also been transferred. Efforts were made during previous hearings to contact Shri Sandeep Singh, BDPO, Jalandhar (West), but no response was received in spite of repeated attempts. Today, Shri Sandeep Singh is contacted on mobile phone of appellant. He is apprised that during the previous two consecutive hearings, none has attended the hearing and that no reply to the show cause notice has been filed. Then, he states that the was on leave for about one and half month and he has now joined. He assures the Bench to comply with the directions of the Bench in its entirety.



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- 5. The BDPO Jalandhar (West) is directed to ensure that the PIO /present Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Kalianpur supplies complete information to the appellant on point No.2 and 3 of RTI application of appellant before the next hearing as also to ensure to come present in person before the Bench, failing which, the Bench will be constrained to issue <u>bailable warrant</u> to ensure PIO's presence before the Bench. The PIO is also directed to file fresh affidavit after supplying complete information to the appellant as per directions given during the previous hearings.
- 6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 31.01.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's office at Chandigarh. Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 29.11.2022 Sd/-(Lt Gen Ajae Kumar Sharma (Retd)) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

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- i) BDPO, Jalandhar (West) District Jalandhar to ensure that the directions of the Bench are complied with by the PIO concerned in its entirety.
- ii) PIO/ Panchayat Secretary, Gram Panchayat, Kalianpur, Block Jalandhar (West), District Jalandhar.