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Kuldip Singh Walia,
S/o Late Sh. Harjit Singh,
Flat No.B004, Sushma Joynest, Moh-1,
Airport Road PR 7, Chhat, Zirakpur,

Versus

Public Information officer,
o/o Assistant Labour Commissioner,
Sector-64, Phase-10, Mohali.

Public Information officer,
o/o Labour Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector-64, Phase-10, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority,
Labour Commissioner, Punjab,
Sector-64, Phase-10, Mohali.

Appeal Case No. 5544 of 2021 (Video Conference Proceedings)

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Harpreet Singh, PIO-cum-Assistant Labour Commissioner (Respondent) 98888-01225

Parminder Singh, APIO-cum-Superintendent (for the Respondent) 76960-05999

ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 13.7.2022 and 13.9.2022)

1. The RTI application is dated **25.8.2021** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding a Complaint Dated 26.6.2021 about Sushma Joynest, Airport Road, Zirakpur,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **8.10.2021** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **10.12.2021** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **13.9.2022**.

2. The appellant is absent but has informed the Commission of his inability to attend this hearing. A Show Cause Notice was issued to the respondent PIO office of Labour Commissioner, Punjab, vide this Commission's Order of 13.7.2022, to which said PIO informed the Commission vide Letter No. 307979 Dated 10.8.2022, that Appeal Case No. 5544 of 2022 has been assigned to the office of Assistant Labour Commissioner. The PIO-cum-Office of Labour Commissioner was then directed to submit a copy of a letter whereby said Appeal was transferred to the office of Assistant Labour Commissioner.

3. During deliberations at this hearing, it has emerged that the complaint cited in the RTI application was in fact sent and received in the office of Labour Commissioner, Punjab. Accordingly, a reply to the RTI application citing said complaint must be given by the **PIO, office of Labour Commissioner, Punjab.**

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4. The PIO, office of Assistant Labour Commissioner, is hereby directed to return this Appeal Case to the PIO, Office of Labour Commissioner, Punjab. PIO office of Labour Commissioner, Punjab is thereafter directed to submit a suitable reply to the RTI application by way of the action taken on the appellant's complaint.

5. The PIO, office of Labour Commissioner, Punjab, is also directed to be present in person at the next hearing of this Appeal Case. Failure to comply will compel the Commission to ensure the PIO's presence through service of a **Warrant**.

6. **Next hearing on 9.12.2022 at 11.30 am at Punjab State Information Commission, Red Cross Building, Madhya Marg, Sector 16, Chandigarh.**

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

Chandigarh
26.10.2022