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Smt. Avtar Kaur, W/o Shri Kuldip Singh VPO Lodi Majra, Tehsil & District Roopnagar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Patiala Development Authority, Patiala.

i)

ii)

First Appellate Authority

Principal Secretary, Housing and Urban Development Department, Punjab Punjab Civil Secretariat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

....Respondents

AC No. 5703 of 2022

Present:

- Smt. Avtar Kaur, appellant- in person.
- Shri Jiwan Singh, Senior Assistant, P.D.A. Patiala- in person.
- iii) Shri Khushmit Singh, Senior Assistant, Housing and Urban Developmetnt Department, Punjab, Chandigarh in person.

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 19.07.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in her RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 09.09.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 18.11.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 23.01.2023. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Smt. Avtar Kaur, appellant comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench. She states that no information has been received by her so far.

3. Shri Jiwan Singh, Senior Assistant O/o P.D.A. Patiala comes present to attend the hearing in person before the Bench and states that the appellant has sought information regarding the allotment of residential site in a joint venture of Patiala Development Authority and OMAXE Company. Due to a dispute arisen between both the parties, now the case is pending with an Arbitrator who is a retired Judge of Hon'ble Apex Court. He further states that point wise information has been supplied to the appellant. vide letter 17.11.2022 explaining the present position. Further, since the matter is pending with the Arbitrator, complete information cannot be supplied.

4. The representative of appellant who accompanies her for the hearing denies receipt of Letter dated 17.11.2022. On the asking of the Bench, a copy of the information produced before the Bench is handed over to the appellant in the Court itself. On perusing the same, the representative of appellant expresses dis-satisfaction over the version of the respondent as the grievance of the appellant is that even after depositing the money for the dwelling site, no allotment of house has been made. The Bench realizes the grievance of the appellant and clarifies that till the matter is not decided by the Arbitrator, complete information cannot be supplied by the PIO.

5. With the aforesaid observations, the instant appeal case is disposed off and closed.Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh 23.01.2023

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