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**Amandeep Singh, Advocate,**  
District Courts Complex,  
Pathankot.

Versus

**Public Information Officer:**

o/o District Forest Officer,  
Pathankot.

**First Appellate Authority:**

o/o Conservator of Forest,  
North Circle, Hoshiarpur.

**Appeal Case No. 5769 of 2022 & 5768 of 2022 (Heard Together via Video Conference Proceedings)**

**PRESENT:**

Amandeep Singh (Appellant) 78887-29823

Sanjeev Sharma, APIO-cum-Superintendent (for the Respondent) 96464-50579

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated **6.8.2022** vide which the appellant has sought information **regarding Bills & Muster Rolls of the funds in forest ranges, Pahankot,** as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **12.9.2022** and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on **21.11.2022** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. Notice was issued to the parties for first hearing in the Commission on **17.1.2023**.

2. Both parties are present. As per the respondent PIO, reply was sent to the appellant vide Letter No. 1697 Dated 6.9.2022, informing him that the requested record was not only voluminous but also scattered and that he could inspect the record in the office of the respondent PIO on 15.9.2022. The appellant however, did not come for the inspection.

3. After deliberation at this hearing, the respondent PIO, states that the requested record is voluminous and could run into more than ten thousand pages. The appellant is offered an opportunity to inspect the record and has agreed to do so and obtain the copies of any documents required on payment of the requisite cost of photocopying.

4. The respondent PIO is directed to arrange for an inspection of the concerned record on February, 1, 2, and 3, 2023, Sh. Sanjeev Sharma, Superintendent-cum-PIO, shall be personally present to assist the appellant during the said inspection. Copies requested by the appellant are to be provided to him after obtaining the cost of photocopying from him.

5. **Next hearing on 2.3.2023 at 11.30 am via Video Conference Facility at DC Office, Pathankot.**

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

Chandigarh  
17.1.2023