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**Sh. Mahesh Aggarwal (94630-43452)**

S/o Sh. Prabhati Lal,

R/o H. No. 33, Street No. 07, Ferozepur Cantt.,

District Ferozepur.

Appellant

**Versus**

**(Regd. Post)** Public Information Officer,  
O/o Executive Officer,  
Nagar Palika, Rampuraphul,  
District Bathinda.

**Encl. RTI application.**

**First Appellate Authority,**

O/o ADC (UD),

Bathinda.

Respondent

**Appeal Case No.: 5823 of 2022**

**Through CISCO WEBEX**

Present: (i) Appellant: Absent.  
(ii) Respondent: Absent.

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 29.09.2021 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 30.11.2021 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.11.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and the hearing has been fixed for today.
2. In today's hearing, the appellant requests for an adjournment through letter dated 05.04.2023, stating therein that he is unable to attend today's hearing. The letter dated 05.04.2023 is received in the Commission vide diary no. 8897 dated 10.04.2023 and taken on record.
3. The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally (through cisco webex), on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow.
4. Respondent PIO is directed to supply the requisite information within ten days after receipt of this order as per RTI application under intimation to the Commission.
5. 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 and the case will be decided on merit basis.
6. This case is adjourned and both the parties are directed to come up on **13.07.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.  
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**Dated: 11.04.2023**

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