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Shri Suresh Kumar Sharma, R/o New Sharma Furniture House, Pratap Bazaar, Chhehratta, Amritsar.

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

First Appellate Authority O/o Commissioner, O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar.

....Respondents

AC No. 5875 of 2022

| Present: | i) ii) | Appellant- absent Shri Gurpal Singh, Assistant Engineer and Shri Karan Kumar, Assistant Engineer, on behalf of the PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar- through cisco webex. |
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ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 19.04.2022 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 23.05.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 25.11.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 25.01.2023. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Suresh Kumar, appellant has not come present to attend the hearing through in person before the Bench or through cisco webex.

3. Shri Gurpal Singh, Assistant Engineer and Shri Karan Singh, Assistant Engineer come present to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar through cisco webex. Shri Gurpal Singh states that regarding the information sought by the appellant relating to development work referred to in the RTI application, para-wise reply has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 24.01.2023 by e.mail as well as by registered post with a copy of the same to the Hon'ble Commission by e.mail. He further explains that regarding point No.1, drawings and location wise photos are not available in their office; regarding point No.7 & 8, no bills have been prepared and no payment has been made to the contractor and in respect of point No.9, appellant has sought personal documents of the firms which have been denied as the concerned firms have raised objection to share their personal information.

4. Since the appellant absent today, he is contacted on his mobile phone and apprised of the version of the respondent that point-wise information has been sent by e.mail as also by registered post. He states that the PIO may be directed to give the same by way of an affidavit.

5. Post deliberations, the PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar is directed to file an affidavit on e-stamp paper, within 21 (Twenty one) days, duly signed by the notified PIO and attested by the Notary Public to the effect that the information sought by the appellant relating to the development work referred to in the RTI application, as available in the official records in AC No.5875/2022, has been supplied to the appellant vide letter dated 24.01.2023. It be further stated that nothing has been concealed therein and the statement made is true and correct. Original affidavit be sent to the appellant and copy of the same be sent to the Commission for record.

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

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

Chandigarh 25.01.2023

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Public Information Office/Executive Engineer(Civil)-1, Municipal Corporation, Amritsar for compliance of the order.