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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. 5876 of 2022

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

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 Guralp 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 Guralp Singh states that reply has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 24.01.2023 by e.mail as also by registered post with a copy to Hon'ble Commission. He further states that as regards the information sought by the appellant relating to development work referred to in his RTI application, no tender for execution of development work has been called for and no work order has thus been placed.

4. Since the appellant is absent today, he is contacted on his mobile phone and apprised of the version of the respondent that no tender for the development work referred to in the RTI application has been called and thus, no work order has been issued. 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 reply has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 24.01.2023 to the effect that no tender for the execution of development work referred to in RTI application in Appeal Case No.5876/2022, has been called for by the Municipal Corporation, Amritsar and thus, no work order has been placed with any firm. 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.

Chandigarh
25.01.2023

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

Copy to(By Regd.Post):

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