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Appellant

Sh. Baljinder Singh(9988029074)

s/o Sh. Darshan Singh,
R/o Daan Singh Nagar,
Gali No.1,
Backside Guru Nank Public School,
Goniana Mandi, Distt. Bathinda.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Nagar Council, Goniana Mandi,
Distt. Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC(UD), Bathinda

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 6090 of 2022

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant: Sh. Baljinder Singh

Respondent: Absent

ORDER

1. The RTI application dated 28.3.2020 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 20.6.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 6.12.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing for 27.4.2023 through CISCO WEBEX application. The hearing fixed for 27.4.2023 was postponed. As a mark of respect declared holiday for 27.4.2023 by the Punjab Govt. on account of sad demise of Hon'ble Sh. Parkash Singh Badal, Ex CM, Punjab. The hearing was re-fixed for 13.6.2023 at 11.00 a.m. through CISCO Webex.
2. In today's hearing the appellant is present and states that the sought for information as per his RTI application is still awaited since sufficient time has elapsed.
3. Respondent PIO is absent in spite of registered post notice issued to him by the Commission, which indeed a serious matter. Being first hearing in this appeal case, the court grants one more opportunity to respondent PIO to appear on the next date of hearing along with directions to supply the sought for information as per RTI application within 7 days from the receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission.
4. 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.
5. To come up on **25.07.2023 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
(Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

Date: 13.6.2023

**(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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