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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.

> i) ii)

....Respondents

AC No.6204 of 2022

Present:

Shri Suresh Kumar Sharma, appellant- through cisco webex. Shri Sukhwinder Singh, Junior Engineer and Shri Simarjit Singh, Junior Engineer on behalf of the PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar- in person.

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 12.04.2022 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 18.05.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 12.02.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 13.02.2023. Accordingly, the case has been heard today. Shri Suresh Kumar, appellant comes present to attend the hearing through cisco webex. He states that no information has been received by him so far.

3. Shri Sukhwinder Singh, Assistant Engineer and Shri Simarjit Singh, Junior Engineer come present in person before the Bench to attend the hearing on behalf of the PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar. Shri Sukhwinder Singh produces before the Bench letter dated 10.02.2023 stating that as regards the information sought by the appellant relating to civil works, no tender for execution of development works has been called for and no work order has thus been placed. The same is taken on record.

4. The appellant is apprised of the version of the respondent. He states that the same may be directed to be given by the PIO by way of affidavit.

5. Post deliberations, the PIO O/o Municipal Corporation, Amritsar is directed to send the information by registered post as well as on WhatsApp number today itself. Thereafter, 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 relates to the civil works. It is clarified that no tender for the execution of development work referred to in RTI application in Appeal Case No.6204/2022, 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.

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

Chandigarh 13.02.2023

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