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Shri Ashok Kumar, S/o Shri Parkash CHand,  
R/o Rose Encalve, Opp Mandir Street,  
Tehsil and Distt:Faridkot.



.....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**

O/o XEN, Rajashtan Canal Division,  
Canal Colony, Ferozepur.

**First Appellate Authority**

O/o S.E, Ferozepur Canal Circle,  
Canal Colony, Ferozepur.

....Respondents

**AC No. 708 of 2023**

**Present: i) Shri Ashok Kumar - Appellant - in person**  
**ii) Shri Darshan Singh, Supterintendent O/o Xen-Rajasthan Canal Division, Ferozepur**  
**– in person.**

**ORDER:**

1. The RTI application is dated 24.05.2022 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 19.07.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 17.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The case has been heard today. As per appellant, the PIO has not supplied the information.
3. As per respondents, the appellant was asked vide letter dated 31.05.2022 to deposit requisite fee of Rs.7200/- but the appellant did not deposit the same and the information was not provided. Thereafter, the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority which called him for personal hearing . The appellant appeared before the First Appellate Authority on 16.08.2022 and he was made aware of the above mentioned fee but the appellant refused to deposit the same. The First Appellate Authority then passed order that if the appellant deposits the requisite fee, the answering respondent will furnish the information as sought by the appellant.
4. Hearing both the parties, the PIO is directed to call the appellant to his office on any working day and allow him access to the official records. After inspection of records by the appellant, the information as is identified by the appellant be provided to him before the next hearing. The appellant be charged only for the documents provided after inspection of records.
5. The appellant is advised to contact Shri Darshan Singh, Suptd. Mobile No.9878450745 prior to visiting for inspection of records. The PIO is directed to ensure that official records related to RTI application of the appellant are presented for examination and documents as identified are given, duly attested by the PIO. The PIO may raise requisite fee for the identified documents as per the RTI Act. The PIO is also directed to come present in person before the Bench to attend the next hearing.
6. With the aforesaid directions, the matter is adjourned. **To come up for hearing on 13.06.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh  
12.04.2023**

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