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Smt Santosh Devi W/o Sh. Bhagwant Rai # 176, Ram Nagar, Near Bank Street, NABHA.

... Complainant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

Civil Surgeon, Fatehgarh Sahib.

...Respondent

Complaint Case No. 0081 of 2022

PRESENT: None for the complainant

Shri Varinder Pal Singh, Pharmacy Officer, for the respondents

ORDER:

The complainant, through an RTI application dated 24.05.2021 has sought information regarding reimbursement of the medical bill submitted on 12.08.2020 in the O/o PSPCL, Mandi Gobindgarh and other information as enumerated in the RTI application from the office of Civil Surgeon, Fatehgarh Sahib. The complainant was not provided with the information, after which the complainant filed a complaint in the Commission on 10.02.2022.

The case last came up for hearing on 21.07.2022. The complainant claimed that information was provided by the respondent on 2022.

The respondent present pleaded that RTI application on transfer was received in their office on 18.07.2022 and the information had been immediately supplied to the complainant on 20.07.2022.

Having gone through the RTI application and record available in the case file, the Commission observed that since the complainant has had to suffer undue inconvenience to get the information, it was a fit case for awarding compensation to the appellant u/s 19(8)(b) of the RTI Act. Hence, the PIO O/o Civil Surgeon, Fatehgarh Sahib, was directed to pay an amount of **Rs.5000/-** via demand draft through Govt. Treasury as compensation to the appellant and submit proof of having compensated the complainant.

Hearing dated 30.11.2022:

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Fatehgarh Sahib. The respondent pleaded that the compensation amount has been paid to the complainant on 14.10.2022 vide demand draft No..656462 dated 14.10.2022 and a copy of the same sent to the Commission.

The Commission has received a copy of the demand draft which is taken on record.

The complainant is absent, nor is represented.

Since the information has been provided and the compensation has been paid, no further course of action is required. The case is **disposed of and closed.**

Chandigarh Dated:30.11.2022 Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) State Information Commissioner