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Shri Tejinder Singh, Advocate,
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur,

.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o MC Samrala,
Distt. Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC(Urban Development),
Ludhiana.

....Respondents

AC No. 850 of 2023

Present: i) Shri Tejinder Singh, Advocate - Appellant – through cisco-webex
ii) Shri Jagroop Singh, Clerk O/o MC Samarala – in person

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 31.08.2022 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 17.10.2022 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The case has been heard today. As per appellant, he has not been provided any information so far.
3. As per respondent, the information is voluminous and the appellant was asked vide letter dated 02.09.2022 to inspect the record by visiting the office of PIO on any working day and get the relevant information but the appellant did not turn up. Thereafter, the appellant filed first appeal before the First Appellate Authority on 17.10.2022. The First Appellate Authority also called the appellant for personal hearing on 18.11.2022 & 30.12.2022 but the appellant did not appear. The First Appellate Authority disposed of the appeal with the direction to the appellant to inspect the record by visiting the office of PIO within 7 days and get the relevant record but the appellant again did not turn up.
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 duly attested by the PIO before the next hearing.
5. The appellant is advised to contact Shri Jagroop Singh, Clerk Mobile No.9872404688 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 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 08.06.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

Chandigarh
18.04.2023

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