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Shri Jagjeet Singh, S/o Shri Manphool Singh,
Village Barri, Tehsil and Distt: Mohali.

RTI application No.45031.



.....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o PUDA,
Mohali.

First Appellate Authority

O/o PUDA,
Mohali.

....Respondents

AC No. 917 of 2023

Present: i) Appellant – Absent
ii) Shri Om Bahadur, Senior Assistant (Regulatory Branch) O/o GMADA Mohali for the
PIO - in person

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 27.12.2022 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 11.01.2023 and the second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The case has been heard today. As per respondent, the information does not exist in their official record and reply to this effect has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 20.04.2023 through registered post with a copy to the Commission through email.
3. The appellant is absent nor is represented.
4. Having gone through the RTI application and copy of reply received from the PIO, the Bench finds the reply irrelevant and vague. Further there has been an enormous delay of more than four months in attending to the RTI application. The PIO is directed to call the appellant to his office on any working day and allow him access to the official records.
5. The appellant is advised to contact Shri Om Bahadur, Senior Assistant (Regulatory Branch)-GMADA Mohali Mobile No.8908999866 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 19.06.2023 at 11.30 AM before the Bench in Commission's Office at Chandigarh.** Copies of the order be sent to the concerned parties.

**Chandigarh
25.04.2023**

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