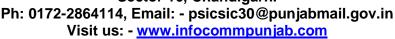
PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION Red Cross Building, Near Rose Garden, Sector 16, Chandigarh.

Versus





Sh Ram Singh S/o Sh Maru Singh, Street No-2, Near Springdil School, Baba Banda Singh Bahadur Nagar, Khanna, Distt Ludhiana.

... Appellant

Public Information Officer, O/o Director. Social Justice Empowerment & Minorities Deptt, Punjab Civil Secretaiat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

First Appellate authority, O/o Director, Social Justice Empowerment & Minorities Deptt, Punjab Civil Secretaiat-2, Sector-9, Chandigarh.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 984 of 2022

PRESENT: None for the **Appellant**

Sh.Rajesh Kumar, Suptd. for the Respondent

ORDER:

The appellant, through an RTI application dated 08.10.2021 has sought information regarding a copy of the report of the officer based on which a decision was taken in the meeting of Vigilance cell on 30.06.2021 – a copy of detailed reply submitted by Satish Kumar as per order of High Court - a copy of the report submitted by the committee of vigilance cell on 30.06.2021 - a copy of the report of director prepared in English on 30.06.2021 and other information as enumerated in the RTI application concerning the office of Director Social Justice Empowerment & Minority, Pb Chandigarh. The appellant was not provided with the information, after which the appellant filed a first appeal before the First Appellate authority on 22.11.2021, which did not decide on the appeal.

The case has come up for hearing today through video conferencing at DAC Ludhiana. The respondent present pleaded that the informant being personal information, it cannot be provided as per instructions of Punjab Govt. dated 09.08.2021, and the reply has been sent to the appellant vide letter dated 18.08.2022.

The appellant is absent nor represented.

The appellant is given one more opportunity to appear before the Commission on the next date of hearing to plead the case otherwise, the decision will be taken ex-parte.

To come up for further hearing on 28.02.2023 at 11.00 AM through video conference facility available in the office of Deputy commissioner, Ludhiana.

Chandigarh Dated: 07.12.2022

Sd/-(Khushwant Singh) **State Information Commissioner**