PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION RED CROSS BUILDING, MADHYA MARG, SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH Helpline No. 0172-2864100 Phone No-0172-2864115 Email: <u>psic25@punjabmail.gov.in</u> Visit us - <u>www.infocommpunjab.com</u> Bench: Sh. Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon, State Information Commissioner, Punjab



Ashok Kumar,

H. No. 214, Pine Homes, Dhakoli, Zirakpur (Punjab) (88377-87496)

....Appellant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner(Urban), S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

First Appellate Authority,

O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner(Urban), S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

...Respondents

Appeal Case No. 3257 of 2022

Present : Sh. Ashok Kumar, the appellant in person.

Sh. Bohar Singh, Superintendent (M.-80540-15113), on behalf of the respondent.

<u>ORDER</u>

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 19.02.2022. First appeal is dated 11.04.2022. Second appeal has been received in the Commission on 11.07.2022.

3. On the last date of hearing, held on 09.09.2022, another opportunity was given to the respondent PIO concerned either to supply the certified copies of the required information to the appellant or send a reply to the queries raised by the appellant through his RTI request through registered post with a copy to the Commission

4. The appellant, Sh. Ashok Kumar , who appeared in person in today's hearing, states that no information has been given to him by the respondent PIO till date.

5. Sh. Bohar Singh, Superintendent, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, states that a letter was issued vide letter no. 1509 dated 25.04.2022 by First Appellate Authority-cum-Additional Deputy Commissioner(Urban), S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) to the appellant to visit the office on 04.05.2022 to identify the required information but he did not visit the office.

6. Heard both the parties.

7. After examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the appellant had not appeared before the First Appellate Authority on the fixed date of hearing.

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8. Hence, this appeal case is <u>remanded to First Appellate Authority</u> office of Additional Deputy Commissioner(Urban), S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) with the directions to decide the case as per provisions of the RTI Act, after giving due opportunity to the parties concerned, examining the evidence, documents submitted by the parties concerned and then decide the case on merit by passing a speaking order. <u>A copy of the RTI request of the applicant be also enclosed for ready reference of First Appellate Authority.</u>

If the appellant would not be satisfied with the decision of the First Appellate Authority, he is free to approach the Commission.

> With this, the case is announced as **disposed of and closed.** Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

> > Sd/-(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon) State Information Commissioner Punjab

Date : 19th October, 2022

CC ;

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority-cum-O/o The Additional Deputy Commissioner(Urban), S. A. S. Nagar (Mohali) (Punjab)

Encl : RTI request