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Sh G.D.S Grewal (Dr.)
Blood Transfusion Officer,
Blood Centre, Civil Hospital, Field Ganj,
Ludhiana-141001

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o President, Hindustan Welfare Blood Donors Club (Regd)
Phagwara

First appellate Authority
O/o Registrar of Firms & Societies, Pb
Sector 17-D, 17 Bays Building, Chandigarh

.....Respondent

AC No. 414 of 2023

Present: (i) None for the Appellant.
(ii) **For the Respondent:** Sh Vitin Puri, Gen Secy (9888999606) and Sh Satnam Singh, Sr
Asstt. (98556-11320)

ORDER

1. The RTI application is dated 03.10.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 01.02.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 06.03.2023 in the Commission.
3. The appellant is not present today. However, he has sent an e-mail stating that he shall not be able to attend the hearing today. Copy of the same is taken on record.
4. The Respondent states that they have not provided the information to the appellant as they do not fall under the ambit of RTI Act 2005. They have also filed their reply regarding the same as under:-

“Hindustan Welfare Blood Donors Club is registered under section 21 of Society Act 1860 and its not a Government establishment or Substantially financed, Directly or Indirectly by any Appropriate Government. Hence Hindustan Welfare Blood Donors Club is not a Public Authority and doesn't fall under the ambit of RTI Act 2005.”

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5. After perusing the case file, it is ascertained that the Appellant is not present today. The Respondent has filed their reply stating that the Respondent does not fall under the ambit of RTI Act 2005. They have also filed their reply regarding the same.

This is the first date of hearing and the appellant is not present, hence one opportunity is given to him to appear before the Commission alongwith supported documents to get the Respondent declared as a public authority.

6. To come up on **27.03.2023 at 12.00 PM** for further proceedings in the Commission. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated :06.03.2023

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