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Ms. Surinderpal Kaur, # 76, South
Model Gram Guru Arjan Dev Park,
Ludhiana (9872204332)

..... Appellant

.Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana

First appellate Authority
O/o Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana

.....Respondent

AC No. 701 of 2023

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 26.04.2022 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) second appeal was filed in the Commission on 16.01.2023 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).

2. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 20.03.2023 in the Commission office i.e. today.

3. Today, neither the appellant nor the respondent is present. However, the appellant has sent a letter mentioning therein that she has received the information. Further she adds that she has not been provided the information within the time as prescribed under the RTI Act 2005. She has, therefore, suffered mental harassment. For this the appellant demands that the Respondent be penalized.

4. In view of the foregoing, I do not find any substance in request for the imposition of penalty. However there are glaring systemic deficiencies in the office of Civil Surgeon, Ludhiana. Appropriate mechanism has not been provided to keep the record properly by the public authority due to which the information / request under RTI Act, 2005 are not

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being served properly.

Respondent PIO is warned to be more careful in future while dealing with the matters pertaining to the RTI Act, 2005 and act swiftly.

5. In view of the foregoing, no cause of action is required, the appeal is therefore **disposed of and closed**. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated :20.03.2023

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