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S/o Shri Dalip Singh, R/o H No 1423, Krishna Gali, Gaushala Road, OPP. E.G. Day, Fazilka.

....Appellant

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PSIC

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer – cum – Assistant Programme Officer, MNREGA, Gidderbaha, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Sri Muktsar Sahib.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 814 OF 2022 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

PRESENT: None for the Parties.

ORDER (FIRST HEARING):

This appeal case was earlier allocated to Hon'ble SIC Shri Sanjeev Garg and the same has been reallocated to the Bench of Hon'ble SIC Shri Maninder Singh Patti. This order may be read with reference to the order dated 28.06.2022 passed by the Bench of Hon'ble SIC Shri Sanjeev Garg. The notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 11.10.2022. Accordingly, the case has been heard today.

2. The Appellant is absent from today's hearing. The PIO is also absent for today's

hearing, inspite of the Notice/Orders of the Commission. This shows his disregard to the Commission.

The absence of the PIO is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case.

3. In view of the above, the PIO is directed to provide the complete information to the appellant, before the next date of hearing and should present this case personally through Cisco Webex. In case the information sought by the appellant is not available in the official records, then PIO is directed to file an <u>Affidavit/Undertaking</u> in this regard and produce the same before the Bench, on the next date of hearing, failing which action will be initiated against the PIO as per provisions of the RTI Act, 2005.

4. The Appellant is also absent and he is directed to follow up his case in the Commission, failing which decision shall be taken on merits.

5. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **16.01.2023 at 11:00 AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 158 188 4645.** Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly.

Sd/-(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Punjab

Chandigarh 11.10.2022