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Shri Hardeep Singh, (98148 47273)
S/o Shri Tarsem Lal,
Village Nurpur, Tehsil Banga,
Distt. SBS Nagar.

...Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Sub Divisional Engineer,
Panchayati Raj, PWD Division,
SBS Nagar.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o XEN, Panchayati Raj,
PWD Division, SBS Nagar.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 2242 OF 2022 **(Cisco Webex Proceedings)**

PRESENT: Shri Hardeep Singh, Appellant.
None on behalf of the Respondents.

ORDER (FIRST HEARING):

The RTI application is dated 05.08.2021 vide which the Appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 29.09.2021 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 06.05.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 04.10.2022.

2. The Appellant states that demanded information has not been provided to him by the PIO till date.

3. The PIO is 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.

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4. 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 information sought by the appellant is not available in the official records, then PIO is directed to file an **Affidavit/Undertaking** 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.

5. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **21.11.2022 at 11:00 AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 158 188 4645**. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly.

**Chandigarh
04.10.2022**

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