### **PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION**

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Shri Surjit Kumar, (98154 57453)

S/o Shri Jaggu Ram, R/o 1853, Choti Bazigar Basti, Bhai Bala Colony, Pakhowal Road, Village Dad, Post Office Lalton Kalan, District Ludhiana.

....Appellant

Versus

**Public Information Officer**,

O/o Director, Rural Dev. & Panchayat Deptt., Pb., Sector 62, Vikas Bhawan, Mohali.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Director, Rural Dev. & Panchayat Deptt., Pb., Sector 62, Vikas Bhawan, Mohali.

....Respondents

#### APPEAL CASE NO. 2383 OF 2022 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

**PRESENT:** None on behalf of the Appellant.

Shri Manjit Singh, Sr. Assistant (94645 33543) for the Respondents

#### **ORDER (FIRST HEARING):**

The RTI application is dated 15.11.2022 vide which the Appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 17.01.2022 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 12.05.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 02.11.2022.

- 2. The Appellant is absent for today's hearing. The Respondent states that available information/reply is ready and will be sent to the appellant today.
- 3. The Appellant is advised to point out deficiencies in writing, after receipt of information. The PIO is also directed to remove the deficiencies, if any, received from the appellant, under intimation to the Commission.

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- In view of the above, the PIO is directed to provide the complete information to the appellant, if any, 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.
- 6. The Appellant is also directed to follow up his case in the Commission, failing which decision shall be taken on merits.
- 6. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on 30.01.2023 at 11:00 AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 158 188 4645. Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly.

Chandigarh 02.11.2022 Sd/-(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Punjab