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PSIC Visible Information

Shri Gurdeep Singh,

(75083 03900)

S/o Shri Amarjit Singh,

R/o Village Bhalwan, Tehsil Dhuri,

District Sangrur.

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Assistant Registrar, Cooperative Societies, Dhuri, Distt. Sangrur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o Joint Registrar,

Cooperative Societies, Patiala.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3437 OF 2022 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

PRESENT: Shri Gurdeep Singh, Appellant.

Shri Sonu Mahajan, Assistant Registrar (85580 57820) for the Respondents

ORDER (FIRST HEARING):

The RTI application is dated 04.03.2022 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 05.04.2022 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 22.07.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 14.11.2022.

- 2. The Appellant states that information sought has not been provided to him.
- 3. The Respondent orally states that the Cooperative Societies are not covered under the RTI Act, therefore, demanded information cannot be provided to him.
- 4. In view of the above, the PIO is directed to file his written submission with regard to Notice of the Commission, before the next date of hearing.

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In case the information as sought by the appellant is not available in the official records, then PIO is directed to file an <u>Undertaking</u> in this regard and produce the same before the Bench, on the next date of hearing, failing which action under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated.

5. The matter is adjourned. To come up for hearing on **25.01.2023 at 11:00 AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 158 188 4645.** Both the parties are directed to present their case accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh 14.11.2022

(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Punjab