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Shri Gurbhajan Singh, (62802 63352)

S/o Shri Rasham Singh, R/o Village Aasal Block Ferozepur, Tehsil & District Ferozepur – 152002

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,

O/o Block Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur.

First Appellate Authority,

O/o District Development and Panchayat Officer, Ferozepur.

....Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 3447 OF 2022 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

PRESENT: None for the parties.

ORDER (FIRST HEARING):

The RTI application is dated 22.04.2022 vide which the Appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First Appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 01.06.2022 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 25.07.2022 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 is absent.
- 3. 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 as it has affected hearing and disposal of the case.
- 4. In view of the above, the PIO is directed to provide the complete information to the appellant, 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 **31.01.2023 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