PUNJAB STATE INFORMATION COMMISSION

RED CROSS BUILDING. NEAR ROSE GARDEN. **SECTOR 16, CHANDIGARH.**

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Shri Jobanpreet Singh, (98785 45894) S/o Shri Tarlok Singh, VPO Rajowala, Tehsil & Distt Faridkot - 151203

....Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer, O/o Punjab State Cooperative Bank, Sector 34 A, Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority, O/o Punjab State Cooperative Bank, Sector 34 A, Chandigarh.

...Respondents

APPEAL CASE NO. 4749 OF 2022 (Cisco Webex Proceedings)

PRESENT: None on behalf of the Appellant.

Shri Kashmir Chand, Accountant Legal Cell (78140 98100) for the Respondents

ORDER (FIRST HEARING):

1. The RTI application is dated 29.07.2022 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 23.08.2022 and Second Appeal was filed in the Commission on 10.10.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act) and Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for 01.03.2023.

2. The Respondent states that the respondent bank is not covered in the definition of "Public Authority" as defined in Section 2 (h) of the RTI Act, as such, the same is not applicable to the Bank. Further, against the order dated 27.08.2015 of the State Information Commissoin, the Interim Stay Order dated 01.10.2015 passed by Hon'ble High Court in CWP 20904 of 2015 are in operation and the matter Sub Judice.

3. The Appellant is absent for today's hearing and he is advised to follow up his case in the Commission failing which dciesion shall be be taken on merits in his absence.

4. The matter is adjourned to 26.04.2023 at 11:00 AM through CISCO WEBEX MEETING ID No. 158 188 4645. Both the parties are directed to come to attend the hearing accordingly. Copies of the order be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

Chandigarh 01.03.2023

(Maninder Singh Patti) State Information Commissioner, Punjab