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(Regd. Post) **Sh. Prem Kumar Rattan(8509580002)** Appellant
H.No.78/8, Park Road,
Navi Mandi,
Dhuri, Distt. Sangrur

Versus

(Regd. Post) **Public Information Officer**
O/o Tehsildar, Tapa,
Distt. Barnala

(Regd. Post) **First Appellate Authority** Respondent
O/o D.C., Barnala

Appeal Case No.: 971 of 2022
Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.07.2022 passed by the Bench of Ld. SIC, Sh. Sanjiv Garg and matter was fixed for further hearing on 09.11.2022. The instant appeal case was allocated to the undersigned Bench vide Office Order passed by the Hon'ble Chief Information Commissioner on 05.08.2022. Accordingly, matter is fixed for 20.10.2022 i.e. today.
2. In today's hearing, appellant is present and states that he has pointed out discrepancy in the supplied information which has to be removed.
3. Respondent PIO is absent in spite of registered post notice issued to him by the Commission, which shows his casual approach towards the orders/notices issued to him time and again.
4. After hearing the appellant and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to appear in person on the next date of hearing along with related record in connection with RTI application, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.

It is observed that notice of hearing which was issued to the First Appellate Authority to the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Bathinda instead of the Deputy Commissioner, Barnala. A copy of this order be sent to the FAA, O/o the Deputy Commissioner, Barnala for his ready reference.

5. Appellant is also advised to appear in person on the next date of hearing, failing which case will be decided in his absence.
6. To come up on **31.01.2023 at 11:00 A.M. at Punjab State Information Commission**. Copy of the order be sent to the parties through **registered post**.

Dated: 20.10.2022

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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