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Inderjeet Singh

S/o Sh. Balwinder singh,
Village – Bhadsa, P. O. – Ronta,
Tehsil – Shahkot, Distt. - Jalandhar (Punjab)
(M. 7626891165)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Sr. Supdt. of Police,
Kapurthala (Punjab)

... Respondents

Complaint Case No. 716 of 2022

Present : Sh. Inderjit Singh, the complainant in person.
i) Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, D. S. P.-cum-PIO (M.-9878405812) in person ;
ii) Sh. Harinder Singh, Reader (M.-9915328458), for the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

2. The RTI request is dated 01.09.2022. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 19.10.2022.
3. This case was last heard on 30.01.2023.
4. After examining the case-file, it is found that the order dated 30.01.2023 in this case has been sent, inadvertently, in the name of Yogesh Bains (as appellant) instead of Inderjeet Singh, hence, the name of the appellant may be read as 'Inderjeet Singh'.
5. The complainant, Sh. Inderjeet Singh, appeared in person in today's hearing.
6. Sh. Sukhwinder Singh, D. S. P.-cum-PIO, appeared in person with Sh. Harinder Singh, Reader, in today's hearing.
7. After hearing both the parties and examining the documents placed on record, it is found that the complainant has not exhausted the channel of approaching First Appellate Authority under Section 19 of the RTI Act.

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8. As the complainant has not exhausted the channel of approaching First Appellate Authority under Section 19 of the RTI Act and the Commission could not allow access to the information to the Information seeker in a complaint case as the only remedy available to the information-seeker is given in Section 19 of the RTI Act, hence, the instant complaint case is **remanded to First Appellate Authority office of Sr. Supdt. of Police, Kapurthala**, with the directions to decide the case as per provisions of the RTI Act, after giving due opportunity to the parties concerned, examining the evidences, documents placed on record/submitted by the parties concerned and subsequently pass a speaking order within forty five days from the receipt of this order. **A copy of the RTI request of the applicant be also enclosed for ready reference of First Appellate Authority, who will treat it as first appeal. A copy of this order be sent to him through registered post**

9. If concerned First Appellate Authority will not announce any order in the instant complaint case within forty five days or after decision/announcement of First Appellate Authority, if the complainant would not be satisfied with the decision/announcement (which would be announced) by the First Appellate Authority, he is free to approach the Commission by way of second appeal.

10. With this, the case is announced as **disposed of and closed.**

Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Date :20th February, 2023

CC :

(Regd. Post)

First Appellate Authority
O/o The Sr. Supdt.of Police,
Kapurthala (Punjab)

Sd/-
(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab