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Narinder Singh

Village – Buddhanpur, P.O. – Bheer Bahadurgarh, Teh. & Distt. - Patiala(Punjab) (M. 9814411886)

.... Complainant

V/s

Public Information Officer,

O/o The Director General of Police, Pb., Punjab Police Head Quarter, Sector - 9, Chandigarh

...Respondents

Complaint Case No. 891 of 2022

Present: Sh. Narinder Singh, the complainant in person.

Ms. Nirlep Kaur, Senior Assistant (M.- 9876060574), on behalf of the respondent.

ORDER

Heard in the Commission.

- 2. The RTI request is dated Nil. The complaint has been received in the Commission on 15.12.2022.
- 3. Ms. Nirlep Kaur, Senior Assistant, who appeared on behalf of the respondent PIO in today's hearing, hands over the required information, as demanded through RTI request, to the complainant during the hearing in the Commission today. A copy of the same is taken on record.
- 4. The complainant, Sh. Narinder Singh, who appeared in person in today's hearing, expresses his dissatisfaction over the same.
- 5. After hearing both the parties and examining the documents placed on record, it

is found that in response to the RTI request, the required information as demanded through RTI request has been supplied to the complainant.

6. Accordingly, 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 and he (the complainant) has not exhausted the channel of approaching First Appellate Authority under Section 19 of the RTI Act.

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- 7. Hence, the instant complaint case is <u>remanded to First Appellate Authority</u>, Office of Director General of Police, Punjab Chandigarh, 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.
- 8. 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.
- With this, the case is announced as <u>disposed of and closed</u>.
 Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Amrit Partap Singh Sekhon)
State Information Commissioner
Punjab

CC:

(Regd. Post) First Appellate Authority-cum-

O/o The Director General of Police, Pb.,

Punjab Police Head Quarter, Sector - 9, Chandigarh

Encl: RTI Request

Date: 7th February, 2023