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Sh. Shiv Kumar Grover s/o Sh. Ashok Grover H.No. 17, Street No. 10/04 Satjot Nagar, Dhandran Road, Ludhiana

.. appellant

Vs

Public Information Officer o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority o/o District Development and Panchayats Officer, Ludhiana

..Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1554 of 2022 (Video Conference Proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Shiv Kumar Grover, appellant

None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 24.1.2023.

- 2. The appellant states that respondents did not submit the proper record as per RTI application and only submitted copies of cashbook and proceeding books. He further states the respondents did not show bills regarding the purchase of material. He requests the Commission to issue directions to the respondents to provide him the complete information.
- 3. None is present on behalf of the respondents despite the fact a copy of order dated 24.1.2023 was sent the respondents through registered post. The respondents were also absent in the last hearing.
- 4. In view of the above and keeping in view of the absence of respondents in the consecutive two hearings, the Commission is of the view that since the appellant has had to suffer undue inconvenience to get the information, it is a fit case for awarding compensation to the appellant u/s 19(8)(b) of the RTI Act. Hence the PIO is directed to pay an amount of Rs.5000/-(Rs Five Thousand only) via demand draft through Govt. Exchequer as compensation to the appellant for the loss and detriment suffered by him of having to file the appeals and not getting information in time. The PIO is directed to pay compensation and information before the next date of hearing. A copy of written submissions received from the appellant is being sent to the PIO.
- 5. To come up on 03.04.2023 at 12.30 P.M to be heard through video conference facility available in the office of the Deputy Commissioner, Ludhiana.

Dated 03.03.2023

sd (Suresh Arora) Chief information Commissioner, Punjab

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CC 1. BDPO Ludhiana

2. Sh. Kiran Pal Singh, Panchayat Secretary,

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