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#### Sukhchain Singh,

s/o Ajit Singh, Sonam Mohalla, Ward No. 11, Fatehgarh Churian, Tehsil Batala, District Gurdaspur.

Versus

### Public Information Officer,

o/o Executive Officer, Municipal Council, Fatehgarh Churian. **Public Information Officer,** o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Batala, District Gurdaspur. **First Appellate Authority,** o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Batala, District Gurdaspur.

### Appeal Case No. 2776 of 2019

#### Present:

Sukhchain Singh (Appellant) 94635-18565 Ramesh Kumar, Inspector (for the Respondent) 98141-95196

## ORDER:

(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 28.8.19, 26.9.19, 8.11.19, and 9.1.2020)

1. The RTI application is dated **12.4.19** vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **13.7.19**, and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **31.7.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.1.2020**.

2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Ramesh Kumar, Inspector, submitted a reply which has no bearing resemblance with the information sought in the RTI application. This is not acceptable.

3. This Commission takes a very serious view of the respondent PIO's conduct in this appeal case, where clearly willful attempts are being made to withhold the requested information.

4. Order reserved.

Sd/-(ASIT JOLLY) State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh 20.2.2020