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Sh. Amarjeet Singh, S/o Shri Jarnail Singh
VPO Wara Daraka, Tehsil Kotakpura
Distt. Faridkot

..... Appellant
Vs

Public Information Officer,
O/o Assistant Registrar Cooperative Societies
Faridkot
First Appellate Authority
O/o Assistant Registrar Cooperative Societies
Faridkot

.....Respondent

AC.No. 979 of 2019

Present : (i) Sh. Amarjeet Singh the appellant
(ii) Sh. Jagdish Singh, Supdt II-cum-APIO

ORDER

This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 28.11.2018, when the file was transferred to the double bench.

2. Today the appellant states that he has received information regarding two points.

3. Respondent states that he has already filed an affidavit that the information relating to point nos. 1 and 2 has been supplied to the appellant, which was related with the Deputy Registrar office and rest of the information relating to point nos. 3 and 4 was related with the Wara Daraka Multipurpose Cooperative Agriculture Society Ltd. and said society is purely private society within a meaning of Section 2 (h) RTI Act 2005.

4. Respondent has also submitted the judgment of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India 2013 (4) RCR Civil (912) titled as "Thalappalam Ser. Coop Bank Limited and others Vs. "State of Kerala".

5. It has been brought to our notice that the issue "whether cooperative societies registered under the Punjab Cooperative Societies Act 1961 are public authorities" is pending adjudication before the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court. In the order dated 01.10.2015 the Hon'ble

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Punjab and Haryana High Court has stayed the operation of order of State Information Commission.

6. In this view of the matter, we deem it appropriate that the instant appeal is adjourned *sine die*. The case is, accordingly, adjourned *sine die*. Copies of the orders be sent to the parties.

Sd/-

(Hem Inder Singh)
State Information Commissioner

Sd/-

(Preety Chawla)
State Information Commissioner

Chandigarh
Dated: 23.04.2019