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Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate,
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,
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....Appellant

Vs
Public Information Officer
o/o Chief Minister, Punjab,
Punjab Civil Sectt-1,
Chandigarh.

First Appellate Authority,
o/o Chief Minister, Punjab,
Punjab Civil Sectt-1,
Chandigarh.

....Respondents

Appeal Case No. 1959 of 2020
(Cisco Webex proceedings)

Present:- Sh. Tejinder Singh, Advocate.
None on behalf of the respondents.

ORDER

The RTI application is dated 15.4.2020 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter called FAA) on 16.5.2020 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 27.7.2020 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter called RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for today.

2. The appellant has sought the following information:-

“1। ਮੁੱਖ ਮੰਤਰੀ ਰਾਹਤ ਕੋਸ਼ ਵਿਚ ਕੈਰੋਨਾ ਵਾਇਰਸ ਦੇ ਚੱਲਦੇ ਕਿੰਨਾ ਫੰਡ ਆਇਆ ਹੈ ਉਸ ਦਾ ਬਿਊਰਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ ਅਤੇ ਕਿਸ ਕਿਸ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ/ਉਦਯੋਗਪਤੀ/ਨੇਤਾਵਾਂ/ਐਮਐਲਏ/ਐਮਪੀ/ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਲਾਜ਼ਮ ਨੇ ਆਪਣੇ ਸੈਲਰੀ ਜਾਂ ਨਗਦ ਜਾ ਚੈੱਕ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਯੋਗਦਾਨ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਹੈ ਉਸ ਦਾ ਪੂਰਾ ਬਿਊਰਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ।

2. ਮੁੱਖ ਮੰਤਰੀ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇਸ ਫੰਡ ਦਾ ਕਿਸ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਉਪਯੋਗ ਕੀਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਜਾ ਖਰਚੇ ਗਏ ਉਸ ਦਾ ਬਿਊਰਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ”

3. The written submissions have been received from the Public Information Officer o/o the Chief Minister, Punjab bearing No. 2191 dated 1.9.2020, which has been diarized in the Commission vide No. 11292 dated 4.9.2020, which is taken on record, in which it has been mentioned that the application of the appellant dated 15.4.2020 was received on 17.6.2020. It has been further mentioned in the submissions that the Chief Minister's Office vide memo No. CMO/RTI/SPL/2020/GA7/1642 dated 18.7.2020 has written to the appellant to deposit the fee of Rs.3320/- so that the information can be sent to the appellant through registered post. It has further mentioned in the said letter dated 1.9.2020 that the appellant has not filed the first appellate authority rather he has sent the appeal to the first appellate authority as the Public Information Officer o/o DIPR, Chandigarh is not providing the information.

4. Also, a copy of the letter received from the appellant in which it has been mentioned that the Public Information Officer o/o DIPR, Chandigarh has been written inadvertently due to clerical mistake. The same has been reiterated by the appellant during the course of hearing.

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4. After going through the facts of the case it has transpired that the appellant has not filed the first appeal to the first appellate authority concerned i.e.

Sh. Gurinder Singh Bhatia, First Appellate Authority-cum-Under Secretary,
Room No. 32, 2nd Floor, Punjab Civil Secretariat-1,
Chandigarh.

5. Accordingly, the appellant is advised to file the 1st appeal before the first appellate authority concerned as mentioned above. Therefore, no action is required in this case. Hence, the case is disposed of and closed.

Dated: 8.9.2020

SD/
(Suresh Arora)
Chief Information Commissioner,
Punjab.