



Dr. Sandeep Kumar Gupta,
1722, Sector-14, Hisar.

... Appellant

Versus

Public Information Officer,
O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

First Appellate Authority,
O/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation,
Ludhiana.

...Respondent

Appeal Case No. 165 of 2019

Present: None for for the appellant
None for the Respondent

ORDER:

The case was first heard on **10.04.2019**. The respondent present pleaded that the information has been provided to the appellant vide letter dated 05.10.2018. The respondent also submitted a reply of the PIO which was taken on the file of the Commission. The Commission observed that the PIO has provided the information on point-1 and denied the information on point-2 by stating that the information is under fiduciary relationship, it cannot be supplied as no larger public interest involved in disclosure of such information and is exempted under section 8(e) of the RTI Act.

The appellant was absent to plead his case. The appellant was directed to appear personally or through a representative to satisfy the Commission that there lies a larger public interest in revealing this information.

The case was again heard on **11.06.2019**. The appellant vide email has sent his reply that the disclosure of information has a larger public interest. The reply was taken on the file of the Commission. The representative appeared on behalf of the appellant further stated that a lot of universities have been declared invalid by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, and disclosure of information will help them to identify the officials appointed and working in the department with fake degrees. The case was adjourned.

The case was last heard on **06.08.2019**. The appellant was absent. The case was adjourned.

Hearing dated 13.11.2019:

Both the parties are absent. The case is adjourned.

To come up for further hearing on **25.02.2020 at 11.00 AM**.

Chandigarh
Dated 13.11.2019

Sd/-
(Khushwant Singh)
State Information Commissioner