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(Regd. Post) **Sh. Gurinder Singh (6239871477)** Appellant
s/o Sh. Harnek Singh,
R/O Bhagta Bhaika, Tehsil Phul,
Distt. Bathinda

Versus

(Regd. Post) **Public Information Officer**
O/o SSP, Bathinda

(Regd. Post) **First Appellate Authority**
O/o IGP, Bathinda Range,
Bathinda Respondent

Appeal Case No. 3933 of 2021 (Under Life & Liberty)
Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Sh. Gurinder Singh, the appellant in person.
(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Jasveer Singh (DSP, Rampuraphul) (7508018012).

ORDER:

1. The RTI application is dated 31.08.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application Section 7(1) of the RTI Act, 2005 (under Life & Liberty). First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 02.09.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 08.09.2021 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act).
2. The above mentioned case was allocated to the undersigned Bench on 10.09.2021 and case file was received on 13.09.2021 by the Bench. Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 15.09.2021 through CISCO WEBEX. Notice of hearing was also sent to the concerned parties through an email and same was conveyed to the parties through telephone calls.
3. In today's hearing, both the parties are present. Respondent, Sh. Jasveer Singh states that an investigation is in process against the appellant that is why the information cannot be provided to the appellant, keeping in mind that investigation can be hampered.
4. On this, appellant, Sh. Gurinder Singh, appellant states that demanded information relates with him and pleads the court for directions to the respondent department to provide the requisite information.

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5. After discussing with both the parties and examining the case file, respondent PIO is directed to look into the matter again and give point-wise reply to the appellant within 24 hours why the information could not be supplied to the appellant with a copy to the Commission. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person or through their representative(s), who is well aware about the case and can decide on their behalf on the next date of hearing positively, failing which appropriate orders will be passed in their absence.
6. With aforesaid directions, matter is adjourned for further hearing on **22.09.2021 at 11:30 A.M. through CISCO WEBEX application.** Copy of the order be sent to the parties **through registered post.** (Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632).

Dated: 15.09.2021

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
State Information Commissioner
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