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Sh. Surinderpal (6239467850)

c/o Sub Office Rozana Pahredar, Opp. Street No.24-A, Main Ajit Road, Bathinda

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o EO, Bhucho Mandi, Distt. Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o Regional Dy. Director, Local Govt., Bathinda

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1507 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application dated 22.11.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 2.2.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 25.3.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 20.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent in spite of registered post notices issued to the parties.
- 3. Keeping in view absence of both the parties, the court grant one more opportunity to represent their case on the next date of hearing positively failing which the case will be decided on merit basis.
- 4. To come up on **30.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o EO, Goniana, Distt. Bathinda

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o Regional Dy. Director, Local Govt., Bathinda

Appeal Case No.: 1506 of 2022

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application dated 22.11.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 2.2.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 25.3.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 20.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are absent in spite of registered post notices issued to the parties.
- 3. Keeping in view absence of both the parties, the court grant one more opportunity to represent their case on the next date of hearing positively failing which the case will be decided on merit basis.
- 4. To come up on 30.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Jasbir Singh (9888296107) Guru Nanak Nagar, Village Jhabewal, PO Ramgarh, Distt. Ludhiana141123.

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Patiala

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Patiala

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1591 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant- Sh. Jasbir Singh

Respondent: Sh. Harjit Singh (Clerk).

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application dated 26.11.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.12.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 1.4.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 20.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. The appellant states that sufficient time has passed but nothing has been received from the respondent on account of RTI application till date.
- 4. The respondent states that they have already written letter to the appellant under intimation to the Commission that the information on 16.9.2022, which is voluminous, cannot be given. He further pleads the court that specific vehicle may be given so that the information can be supplied.
- 5. The court while listening both the parties, Commission discusses with the respondent regarding how many cases are received for reassignment and further directed the respondent PIO to supply the information as sought for RTI application from March to April 2021 immediately within 10 days.
- 6. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies if any, to the respondent under intimation to the Commission so that the same could be got removed.
- 7. To come up on **23.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Patiala

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Patiala

Appeal Case No.: 1592 of 2022

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant- Sh. Jasbir Singh

Respondent: Sh. Harjit Singh (Clerk).

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application dated 26.11.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.12.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 1.4.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 20.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. The appellant states that sufficient time has passed but nothing has been received from the respondent on account of RTI application till date.
- 4. Respondent, Sh. Harjeet Singh states that demanded information is voluminous in nature and requests the appellant to specify the required information.
- 5. On this, appellant demanded copy of challan issued by the RTA Office only. Accordingly, respondent PIO is directed to supply the specified information within ten days.
- 6. The appellant is also advised to point out deficiencies if any, to the respondent under intimation to the Commission so that the same could be got removed.
- 7. To come up on **23.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Ludhiana

First Appellate Authority

O/o Secy., Regional Transport Authority, Ludhiana

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1434 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Sh. Gurmej Lal on behalf of the Appellant-

Respondent: Sh. Amardeep (98789551003)

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application dated 26.11.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 27.12.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 24.3.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 20.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. The representative of the appellant states that sufficient time has gone in vain the sought for information as per RTI application has not been provided till date.
- 4. Respondent states that information was sent to the appellant vide letter no. 3980 dated 12.08.2022. After discussing with both the parties, an inspection is fixed for Monday i.e. 19.9.2022. The respondent is advised to give information as per RTI application within 10 days after identification under provisions of the RTI Act, 2005 under intimation to the Commission.
- 5. To come up on **30.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
 - Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting Number 1582933632.

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Versus

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o EO, Nagar Council, Tarn Taran

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC(Urban Dev), Tarn Taran

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1516 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant- Sh. Tejinder Singh

Respondent: None

ORDER

- 1. The RTI application dated 16.11.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 21.1.2022 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 28.3.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 20.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing the appellant is present but nobody appears on behalf of the respondent department in spite of registered notice issued to him.
- 3. The appellant states that sufficient time has gone in vain the sought for information as per RTI application has not been provided till date.
- 4. The court while taking serious note of the situation directs the respondent PIO to be present on the next date of hearing positively on 06.12.2022 at 11:00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission Office along with directions to supply the point-wise information to the appellant within seven days after receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission, failing which stern action as per RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO. A copy of this order be sent to him by name through registered post for his ready reference.
- 5. Appellant is on liberty either to attend hearing through CISCO WEBEX (meeting number 1582933632) or at Commission's office.
- 6. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 20.09.2022

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Sh. Rakesh Singla Advocate (9417742467)

Near Railway Station, Satsang Road, Bareja, Mansa

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Executive Magistrate(Naib Tehsildar), Bareta

First Appellate Authority

O/o DC, Mansa Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1539 of 2022 Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Appellant- Sh. Rakesh Singla

Respondent: Absent.

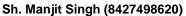
ORDER

- The RTI application dated 26.7.2021 vide which the appellant has sought information as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (hereinafter FAA) on 15.10.2021 and second appeal was filed in the Commission on 28.3.2022 under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (hereinafter RTI Act). Notice of hearing was issued to the parties for hearing through CISCO WEBEX on 20.9.2022 at 11.00 a.m. i.e. today.
- 2. In today's hearing the appellant is present but nobody appears on behalf of the respondent department in spite of registered notice issued to him.
- 3. The appellant states that sufficient time has gone in vain the sought for information as per RTI application has not been provided till date.
- 4. The court while taking serious note of the situation directs the respondent PIO to be present on the next date of hearing positively on 06.12.2022 at 11:00 AM at Punjab State Information Commission Office along with directions to supply the point-wise information to the appellant within seven days after receipt of this order under intimation to the Commission, failing which stern action as per RTI Act, 2005 will be initiated against the concerned respondent PIO. A copy of this order be sent to him by name through registered post for his ready reference.
- 5. Appellant is on liberty either to attend hearing through CISCO WEBEX (meeting number 1582933632) or at Commission's office.
- 6. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

Dated: 20.09.2022

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Vill. Manemajra, Tehsil Chamkaur Sahib,

Distt. Ropar

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority

Mohali

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o Secy. Regional Transport Authority Mohali

Appeal Case No.: 2561 of 2021 Heard Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Sh. Manjit Singh – Appellant

(ii) For the respondent: Sh. Dharminder (on phone)

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 02.08.2022 vide which a final opportunity was awarded to respondent PIO to comply with the previous orders of the Commission dated 25.05.2022 along with directions to appear in person at Commission's office. Matter was adjourned for further hearing on 20.09.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing the appellant is present and states that pending information in connection with point no. 2 has not been received yet. He further request that suitable directions be issued to the respondent so that he may get pending information.
- 3. The respondent, Sh. Dharminder states that he is unable to attend hearing at Commission's office and pending information in connection with point no. 2 had already been sent to the Commission but appellant denies on the same. Accordingly, respondent PIO is directed to send again information in connection with point no. 2 within seven days from today.
- 4. Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- To come up on 30.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Sh. Sanjeev Goyal, (9814197689)

S/o Sh. Ashok Kumar(RTI Activist) Secretary Grahak Jago, # 148, Model Town, Phase-I Bathinda

Versus

Public Information Officer

(Regd. Post) O/o M.C., Jalandhar

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o M.C., Jalandhar Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 352 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Appellant: Sh. Sanjeev Goyal

Respondent: Absent

ORDER

- 1. Refer earlier order dated 4.8.2022 vide which respondent, Dr. Raj Kamal stated that information with regard to point no.3, 4 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 had been replied on 25.5.2022 and he was directed to send again to the appellant. The matter was adjourned to 20.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing both appellant is present nobody appears on behalf of the respondent.
- 3. The appellant pointed out discrepancies in the supplied information which is as under:
 - Point no. 1-not received yet.
 - Point no. 3 and 4-incomplete information is received.
 - Point no. 7-not satisfied
- 4. Respondent PIO is absent in spite being aware about the date of hearing. One more opportunity is awarded to him to remove the deficiencies as per para 3 of this order within ten days after receipt of this order. He is also directed to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively. A copy of this order be sent to him by name through registered post for his ready reference.
- 5. To come up on **24.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Versus

Public Information Officer O/o M.C., Bathinda

First Appellate Authority O/o M.C., Bathinda

Dated: 20.9.2022

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 353 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Appellant: Sh. Sanjiv Goyal

Respondent: Sh. Amandeep, Secy & Sh. Gurpreet Singh(9316900002)

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 04.08.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing both parties are present.
- 3. The appellant states that information in point No.1 to 6 has not been provided till date.
- **4.** The respondents state that they have provided the information in point No.7 & 8 on 11.8.2022 and detailed information with regard to point No.5 has been given. Copy of compliance and anything else will be provided tomorrow on the appellant's visit. He adds that information from point no. 1 to 6 relates with general branch.
- **5.** After discussing with both the parties, respondents are advised to cooperate on the appellant's visit on 21.09.2022 i.e. tomorrow and supply official record for inspection in connection with RTI application and supply the identified pages within seven days.
- **6.** Both the parties are advised to represent this case in person on the next date of hearing, failing to which, appropriate order in their absence shall be passed.
- 7. To come up on **24.11.2022** at **11:00** A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Sh. Daljit Singh Grewal (9814186366)

S/o Sh. Bachittar Singh R/o 201/100, Block J, BRS Nagar, Ludhiana

Versus

Public Information Officer

O/o Commandant General, Home Guards & Director Civil Defence, Pb., Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o Commandant General, Home Guards & Director Civil Defence, Pb., Chandigarh

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 369 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: None for the parties.

ORDER

- 1. Refer earlier order dated 4.8.2022 vide which respondent PIO was directed to send a fresh reply (point-wise) as per queries raised in RTI application to the appellant with a copy to the Commission within seven days after receipt of the order. The matter was adjourned to 20.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing, appellant is absent without any intimation to the Commission.
- 3. Respondent PIO is not present for today's hearing but he requested for an adjournment via telephonic message and states that an email is also been sent in this regard. Request of the respondent is granted; another opportunity is given to him to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively.
- 4. After examining the case file, it is observed that a reply vide letter no. 7344 dated 30.08.2022 is received from the respondent PIO in the Commission vide diary no. 20004 dated 05.09.2022, which is taken on record.
- 5. Appellant is also advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing to clear the facts of this case, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 6. To come up on **30.11.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex** (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Respondent

Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg (9814230616)

s/o Sh. Harbans Lal, Romana Street, Jaito, Tehsil Jaito, Distt. Faridkot

Versus

Public Information Officer O/o E.O., Nagar Panchayat, Sardulgarh

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o Regional Director, Urban Local Bodies, Bathinda

Appeal Case No: 3286 of 2021 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: Appellant- Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg

Respondent – Sh. Balbir Singh, Clerk (9915861126)

ORDER

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 23.08.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing both the parties are present.
- 3. The appellant states that he has pointed out the deficiencies on 17.5.2022, which is still to be removed.
- 4. The respondent states that they have already sent the attested information on 16.09.2022 as per previous orders of the Commission. He further states that they have also replied to the show cause notice via email on 16.9.2022 and by registered post (vide diary no. 21392 dated 19.09.2022), both email and letter are considered and found satisfactory, accordingly, Show cause is dropped.
- 5. Appellant is advised to go through the information, once he had received and point out ambiguity within seven days in writing to the respondent PIO with a copy to the Commission, failing which case will be decided on merit basis.
- 6. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on <u>07.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M.</u> through CISCO WEBEX <u>application</u>. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Respondent

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Versus

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana

High Court, Chandigarh

First Appellate Authority

Dated: 20.09.2022

O/o Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana High Court, Chandigarh

Appeal Case No.: 1775 of 2021

Hearing through CISCO Webex

Present: Sh. Himanshu Arora on behalf of the appellant

Respondent - Absent

ORDER

- 1. Refer earlier order dated 23.8.2022 vide which respondent PIO was absent and he was directed to supply point-wise reply to the RTI application on receipt of orders within 7 days . The case was adjourned to 20.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing Sh. Himanshu Arora is present but no one is present on behalf of the respondent department again.
- 3. The representative of the appellant advocate explains the case once again before the court in detail and pleads the court for suitable directions so that information may be delivered.
- 4. The absence of the PIO consecutively second time is viewed seriously and it has also affected hearing and disposal of the case. In pursuance of this, the PIO is directed to file a written submission in response to the Notice of the Commission and should present this case personally (through cisco webex), on the next date of hearing, failing which penal consequences shall follow. A copy of this order be sent to him by name through registered post for his ready reference.
- 5. Appellant is also advised to represent this case on the next date of hearing positively.
- 6. The matter is adjourned for further hearing on **30.11.2022** at **11:00 A.M.** through CISCO **WEBEX** application. Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Respondent

Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg(9814230616)

s/o Sh. Harbans Lal R/o Romana Street, Jaito, Tehsil Jaito, Distt. Faridkot.

Versus

Show Cause

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o EO, Nagar Council, Mansa

Encl. RTI application

First Appellate Authority

O/o ADC(Urban Dev), Mansa

Appeal Case No.: 1223 of 2022

Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Appellant: Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg

adjourned to 20.9.2022.

(ii) Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.09.2022 vide which EO, Sh. Vipan was called during the hearing and he intimated the Commission that Sh. Gian Chand is already in the meeting but no response from the respondent. Matter was adjourned for further hearing and a call was made to Sh. Vipan (EO) after the hearing was over and he was apprised with the proceedings of the hearing. Matter was

2. In today's hearing the appellant is present but the representative from the respondent department is absent inspite of registered and intimation on phone.

3. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, O/o EO, Nagar Council, Mansa is directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

Appeal Case No.: 1223 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

4. In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section

20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on

the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and

does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it

will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take

further proceedings against him ex-parte.

5. To come up on 07.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing

application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

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Dated: 20.09.2022

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
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Versus

Show-Cause

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o EO, Nagar Council, Mansa

Encl. RTI application

First Appellate Authority
O/o ADC(Urban Dev), Mansa

Respondent

Appeal Case No.: 1224 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Appellant: Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg

(ii) Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

- 1. This order may be read with reference to the previous order dated 06.09.2022 vide which EO, Sh. Vipan was called during the hearing and he intimated the Commission that Sh. Gian Chand is already in the meeting but no response from the respondent. Matter was adjourned for further hearing and a call was made to Sh. Vipan (EO) after the hearing was over and he was apprised with the proceedings of the hearing. Matter was adjourned to 20.9.2022.
- 2. In today's hearing the appellant is present but the representative from the respondent department is absent inspite of registered and intimation on phone.
- 3. In view of the foregoing, respondent PIO, O/o EO, Nagar Council, Mansa is directed to show cause in writing or through affidavit under Section 20(1) of the RTI Act, as to why penalty be not imposed upon him for willful delay/ denial of the information to the RTI applicant and why the compensation be not awarded to the complainant under Section 19 (8)(b) of the Act for detriment suffered.

Appeal Case No.: 1224 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

4. In addition to his submission, the PIO is also hereby given an opportunity under Section

20(1) proviso, thereto, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on

the next date of hearing. He may note that in case he does not file his submission and

does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the next date fixed, it

will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take

further proceedings against him ex-parte.

5. To come up on 07.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing

application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.

(Steps to use CISCO WEBEX: Install CISCO Webex->Click on Join Meeting->Enter Meeting

Number 1582933632).

Dated: 20.09.2022

(Anumit Singh Sodhi)
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Respondent

Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg(9814230616)

s/o Sh. Harbans Lal R/o Romana Street, Jaito, Tehsil Jaito, Distt. Faridkot.

Versus

Show-Cause

Public Information Officer (By Name)

(Regd. Post) O/o EO, Nagar Council, Mansa

Encl. RTI application

Complaint case No.: 124 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

Present: (i) Complai

(i) Complainant: Sh. Lajpat Rai Garg

(ii) Respondent: Absent

ORDER:

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Complaint case No.: 124 of 2022 Through CISCO WEBEX

To come up on 07.12.2022 at 11:00 A.M. through CISCO-Webex (Video Conferencing application). Copy of the order be sent to the parties.
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Dated: 20.09.2022